



FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

For Justice and Public Safety Agencies and Partners



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INTRODUCTION

Purpose of Document

This document provides an overview of current federal funding opportunities. It is designed to highlight key information to help jurisdictions evaluate whether to pursue these opportunities. Please refer to the linked Notice of Funding Opportunities (NOFO) as the official source of guidance on application procedures, eligible and allowable expenses, and deadlines. If a funding opportunity appears relevant to your plans, carefully review the NOFO to ensure all requirements are addressed. Many Department of Justice funding opportunities involve a two-step application process, each with its own deadline. These deadlines are detailed within the descriptions.

Audience

The grant programs outlined in this document are open to a range of eligible applicants, including state, local, and tribal government entities, as well as nonprofit organizations. Eligibility varies by program, so it is essential to review the eligibility criteria. If your jurisdiction or organization does not qualify to apply directly, many programs permit and even encourage partnerships through sub-grants or contracts with eligible applicants.

Grant Program Priorities

Please note that many grant programs identify program-specific priorities. See specific instructions in each notice of funding to determine what information is required to receive the priority consideration. This resource will note if a NOFO indicates that there is rural priority or a rural-specific category. The priorities are defined as follows:

Office of Justice Programs Funding Priorities

The Office of Justice Programs will provide priority consideration to applicants that propose projects designed to advance the goals listed below. Applicants seeking priority consideration should specify in the proposal narrative (and in the budget detail form, if applicable) which of the following goal(s) the project is intended to advance and how it will do so: (a) Directly supporting law enforcement operations (including immigration law enforcement operations); (b) Combatting violent crime; (c) Supporting services to American citizens; (d) Protecting American children; and (e) Supporting American victims of trafficking and sexual assault.

Rural-Specific Category

This specifies whether a grant program includes a funding category exclusively for rural jurisdictions. Be aware that each program generally defines "rural jurisdiction" differently, so it is important to carefully review each NOFO to confirm whether your jurisdiction or target audience qualifies. If applicable, the specific language regarding rural categories is included in the grant program description.

Rural Priority

This identifies whether a grant program includes additional priority language prioritizing funding for rural jurisdictions. If applicable, the specific rural priority language is provided in the grant program description.

BJA	Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, U.S Department of Justice
COPS	Community Oriented Policing Services, U.S. Department of Justice
OJJDP	Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice
OVC	Office for Victims of Crime
OVW	Office on Violence Against Women
SAMHSA	Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Other Relevant Resources:

While the document links to the most relevant federal funding opportunities for rural jurisdictions and stakeholders, there may be other information available from federal partners to support the process of applying for funding. Please be sure to sign up for grant alerts and access these federal funding pages often. To learn more:

- [U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs Current Funding Opportunities](#)
- [U.S. Department of Justice, Violence Against Women Current Funding Opportunities](#)
- [U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services Current Funding Opportunities](#)
- [U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Current Funding Opportunities](#)

In addition, many federal agencies offer application guidance through webinars and other support services. Below are links to division-specific webinars/resources to support jurisdictions during the funding process.

- [Bureau of Justice Assistance Funding Webinars](#)
- [Office for Victims of Crime Funding Webinars](#)
- [Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention How to Apply for Funding](#)
- [Office on Violence Against Women Resources for Applicants](#)
- [Applying for a New SAMHSA Grant](#)

Connecting with Researchers:

The Justice Community Opioid Innovation Network (JCOIN) has developed a resource for local jurisdictions to find and connect with researchers called [CONNECT](#). CONNECT is a researcher and practitioner collaboration and discovery tool and aims to help facilitate multidisciplinary research and programmatic collaboration across the health and justice fields. You can browse or search information on researchers, practitioners, publications, and organizations.

Training and Technical Assistance:

If your community is not ready to apply for funding but still needs assistance, keep in mind that many federal agencies offer free training and technical assistance to connect you with subject matter experts to provide training or technical expertise on certain topics. You can request assistance through the following training and technical assistance centers available through the federal government:

- [Bureau of Justice Assistance National Training and Technical Assistance Center](#)
- [Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention National Training and Technical Assistance Center](#)
- [Office for Victims of Crime Training and Technical Assistance Center](#)

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Application Due Dates:
Grants.gov: 3/30/26
JustGrants: 4/6/26

Public Safety and Mental Health Initiative

Office of Justice Programs
Funding Priorities

 Notice of Funding Opportunity

Eligible entities:

Local and State Governments, Native American Tribal Governments (federally recognized).

Total Available Funding: \$42,000,000
Anticipated Number of Awards: 14
Anticipated Award Amount: Up to \$3,000,000

Length of Project: Up to 3 years
Cost Sharing/Match Required? Yes. Cash or In-Kind;
Years 1 and 2: 20% match is required and Year 3: 40% match is required

Description:

This program provides funding to support comprehensive, coordinated service networks that address untreated mental illness and substance use disorders at the intersection of public safety and behavioral health. Funds are designed to strengthen collaboration across justice, public safety, mental health, and substance use systems to increase access to crisis stabilization, treatment services, housing support, and technology modernization. The program aims to improve public order, reduce recidivism and crime, and restore community confidence through structured intervention approaches.

What can be funded?

The program has four primary core funding areas that applicants may propose activities under:

- Crisis Stabilization Centers
 - Establishment or enhancement of 24/7 crisis receiving and drop-off centers with dedicated law enforcement access and rapid assessment capabilities.
 - Capacity for civil commitment evaluations and no-refusal protocols.
- Treatment Services
 - Delivery of comprehensive mental health and substance use disorder treatment services, including medication-assisted treatment (MAT).
 - Overdose prevention, recovery support, extended observation beds, and reentry services.
 - Focus on approaches that demonstrably reduce homelessness and improve long-term outcomes.
- Housing Access
 - Transitional housing for individuals exiting crisis stabilization or justice involvement.
 - Housing support structured to require compliance with treatment plans as a condition of participation.
- Electronic Health Records (EHR) and Technology Modernization
 - Enhancements to EHR systems and related technologies (e.g., telehealth) across crisis, correctional, and community settings to improve continuity of care.
 - Technology investments aimed at better data collection, interoperability, and coordinated service delivery.

IMPROVING POLICING PRACTICES



Application Due Dates:
Grants.gov: 3/30/26
JustGrants: 4/6/26

Local Law Enforcement Crime Gun Intelligence Center Integration Initiative

Office of Justice Programs
Funding Priorities

 Notice of Funding Opportunity

Eligible entities:

Local and state governments (this includes State, local, and Tribal law enforcement agencies, including prosecutors' offices), Native American Tribal Governments (federally recognized and other than federally recognized).

Total Available Funding: \$3,000,000

Anticipated Number of Awards: Category 1: 3,
Category 2: 3

Anticipated Award Amount: Category 1: Up to \$300,000,
Category 2: Up to \$700,000

Length of Project: Category 1: 2 years, Category 2: 3
years

Cost Sharing/Match Required? No

Description:

This program provides funding to support law enforcement agencies in establishing new Crime Gun Intelligence Centers or expanding existing ones to more effectively use gun-related forensic evidence and intelligence—such as ballistic evidence through NIBIN and firearm tracing via eTrace—to swiftly and accurately identify, investigate, and prosecute criminal gun offenders. Funding supports local jurisdictions in building the organizational, technical, and collaborative capacities needed to integrate ballistic and trace data into operational strategies that improve the solvability of violent gun crime cases and enhance public safety. This funding program is administered by the U.S. Department of Justice's Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) in partnership with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF).

What can be funded?

Applicants may propose activities aligned with one of two categories. Examples include:

Category 1: Expansion of an Existing CGIC

- Enhancing operational effectiveness of an established Crime Gun Intelligence Center.
- Increasing capacity for NIBIN evidence collection and analysis.
- Improving integration of ballistic intelligence into investigative workflows.
- Supporting regional expansion to include neighboring jurisdictions or partners.

Category 2: Implementation of a New CGIC

- Establishing a fully operational Crime Gun Intelligence Center in a jurisdiction without one.
- Developing protocols for the timely collection and analysis of shell casings and crime guns.
- Partnering with ATF (e.g., NIBIN, eTrace) for forensic evidence processing.
- Building interagency structures that support intelligence-led responses to gun violence.

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Application Due Dates:
Grants.gov: 3/30/26
JustGrants: 4/6/26

Second Chance Act Addressing the Needs of Incarcerated Parents and Their Minor Children

Office of Justice Programs
Funding Priorities

 Notice of Funding Opportunity

Eligible entities:

Local and state governments, Native American Tribal Governments (federally recognized).

Total Available Funding: \$4,200,000

Anticipated Number of Awards: 5

Anticipated Award Amount: Up to \$750,000

Length of Project: 3 years

Cost Sharing/Match Required? No

Description:

This program provides funding to develop or expand programs in juvenile and adult detention or correctional facilities that respond to the specific needs of incarcerated parents and their children (under age 18). This funding is intended to reduce the likelihood of future antisocial behavior and juvenile justice involvement, lower recidivism among parents, and promote responsible parenting practices that contribute to healthy child development, resiliency, and improved interactions among incarcerated parents, their children, families, and communities. The initiative supports services and training that foster positive family connections and transitions, with an emphasis on strengthening outcomes for both the incarcerated parent and their minor children.

What can be funded?

Program activities may include—but are not limited to—the following:

- **Training for Correctional Staff:** Training correctional officers and facility staff on family-centered practices, safeguarding children visiting incarcerated parents, and enhancing family-friendly institutional operations.
- **Child-Focused Services:** Programs that meet the developmental, social, emotional, or educational needs of children of incarcerated parents and that foster positive youth development.
- **Parental Reentry and Transitional Services:** Services for incarcerated parents that focus on parental responsibility, reentry planning, family reunification, and support for successful transitions to the community.
- **Family Engagement Activities:** Development of visitation policies, practices, or spaces that improve the quality of interactions between parents and their children, contributing to stronger family bonds.

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Application Due Dates:
Grants.gov: 3/30/26
JustGrants: 4/6/26

Second Chance Act Youth Reentry Program

Office of Justice Programs
Funding Priorities

 Notice of Funding Opportunity

Eligible entities:

Local and state governments, Native American Tribal Governments (federally recognized), Nonprofit organizations

Total Available Funding: \$13,650,000

Anticipated Number of Awards: Category 1: 7,
Category 2: 11

Anticipated Award Amount: Up to \$750,000

Length of Project: 3 years

Cost Sharing/Match Required? Category 1 requires a 50% cash match; Category 2 does not require a match.

Description:

This program provides funding to support comprehensive reentry services for moderate- to high-risk youth leaving confinement in juvenile residential or correctional facilities and to strengthen transitional services that help these youth successfully reintegrate into their communities. The program is designed to foster collaboration among state, local, Tribal, and community partners—including corrections, supervision agencies, and nonprofit service providers—to implement evidence-informed reentry strategies that reduce recidivism, strengthen protective factors (such as education and employment), and improve long-term outcomes for youth and their families.

What can be funded?

The NOFO supports activities that help address barriers to successful youth reentry before, during, and after release. Examples include:

Category 1: Improving Youth Reentry

- Comprehensive reentry planning and services for moderate- and high-risk youth.
- Coordination among corrections, supervision agencies, and community service providers.
- Transitional support targeted at key domains such as education, employment, housing, and behavioral health.

Category 2: Strengthening Community-Based Youth Reentry Programs

- Transitional and post-release services delivered through nonprofit organizations.
- Community-driven support systems designed to sustain youth engagement and reduce recidivism.
- Enhanced continuity of care across detention and community settings.

Please see pages 10-11 for additional programmatic priorities.

REENTRY AND SUPERVISION SUPPORT SERVICES



Application Due Dates:
Grants.gov: 3/19/26
JustGrants: 3/26/26

Smart Reentry Demonstration Program

Office of Justice Programs
Funding Priorities

 Notice of Funding Opportunity

Eligible entities:

Local and state governments, Native American Tribal Governments (federally recognized and other than federally recognized)

Total Available Funding: \$4,000,000
Anticipated Number of Awards: 4
Anticipated Award Amount: Up to \$1,000,000

Length of Project: Up to 3 years
Cost Sharing/Match Required? Yes – cost sharing/
match is required using cash or in-kind match (50%
match, federal funds may cover no more than 50% of
project costs)

Description:

This program provides funding to support jurisdictions in developing, implementing, or expanding comprehensive reentry strategies that improve outcomes for adults returning to the community from prison, jail, or supervision. This initiative aims to reduce recidivism and enhance public safety by addressing identified gaps in local reentry systems through targeted services and interventions. Awarded projects are expected to implement evidence-informed practices, coordinate across agencies and community partners, and rigorously assess outcomes to improve reentry success and continuity of care for the targeted population.

What can be funded?

Applicants may propose activities that establish, expand, or enhance reentry services designed to improve reentry outcomes and reduce recidivism. Key allowable uses include:

- Comprehensive Reentry Planning and Coordination
 - Developing strategic, data-driven reentry plans and task forces that bring together justice agencies, community partners, and relevant stakeholders.
- Intervention Implementation
 - Establishing or expanding a reentry program or service (“intervention”) that fills gaps in the local continuum of care, addressing barriers to successful reentry.
- Services Targeting Recidivism Drivers
 - Delivering services and supports that address key reentry needs such as housing, employment, behavioral health treatment, case management, and other factors that influence recidivism.
- Evaluation and Performance Measurement
 - Conducting rigorous evaluations of reentry interventions, including developing plans to track outcomes, performance measure data, and effectiveness of interventions.
- Strategic Capacity Building and Sustainability
 - Strengthening organizational and systemic capacity to sustain reentry programming beyond the grant period through partnerships, integration of best practices, and long-term planning.

Note specific programmatic priorities on pages 9-10.

REENTRY AND SUPERVISION SUPPORT SERVICES



Application Due Dates:
Grants.gov: 3/19/26
JustGrants: 3/26/26

Strengthening Community Supervision Agency Operations Program

Office of Justice Programs
Funding Priorities

 Notice of Funding Opportunity

Eligible entities:

Local and state governments, Native American Tribal Governments (federally recognized), Organizing body or association of supervision agencies

Total Available Funding: \$10,687,630

Anticipated Number of Awards: Category 1: 7, Category 2: 4

Anticipated Award Amount: Up to \$1,000,000

Length of Project: Up to 3 years

Cost Sharing/Match Required? No

Description:

This program provides funding to support community supervision agencies in developing, implementing, and expanding strategies that strengthen operations to reduce recidivism and violent crime and improve outcomes for individuals under supervision. This program offers funding in two categories: Smart Supervision, which focuses on the development, implementation, and testing of evidence-informed supervision strategies, and Implementing Swift, Certain, and Fair (SCF) Principles, which supports replication of the successful HOPE model of supervision that incorporates predictable, graduated responses to behavior.

What can be funded?

Applicants may propose activities that establish, expand, or enhance reentry services designed to improve reentry outcomes and reduce recidivism. Key allowable uses include:

Category 1: Smart Supervision

- Development and implementation of strategies to reduce recidivism among probation and/or parole populations.
- Strengthening collaboration between supervision agencies and justice, health, and nonprofit partners.
- Enhancing workforce capabilities (training, retention, staff wellness) within supervision agencies.

Category 2: Implementing Swift, Certain, and Fair Principles

- Replication of the **Hawaii Opportunity Probation with Enforcement (HOPE)** model.
- Implementation of supervision strategies that incorporate **swift, certain, and fair (SCF)** responses to behavior.
- Targeting high-risk individuals for enhanced supervision practices to reduce recidivism and violent crime.

VICTIM SUPPORT SERVICES



Application Due Dates:
Grants.gov: 3/11/26
JustGrants: 3/18/26

Enhanced Collaborative Model (ECM) Task Force to Combat Human Trafficking

Office of Justice Programs
Funding Priorities

 Notice of Funding Opportunity

Eligible entities:

Local and State Governments, Native American Tribal Governments, Educational Organizations, Public Housing Organizations, Nonprofit Organizations

Total Available Funding: \$22,000,000

Anticipated Number of Awards: Up to 30 across all 3 categories

Anticipated Award Amount: Category 1: \$700,000, Category 2: \$900,000, Category 3: \$1,000,000

Length of Project: Up to 3 years

Cost Sharing/Match Required? Yes, 25% cash match

Description:

This program provides funding to jurisdictions to develop and expand a multidisciplinary, collaborative task force approach to better respond to human trafficking through increased victim identification, service provision, and case investigations. Each lead applicant is required to submit their entity's application separately into JustGrants (one application submitted by an eligible lead law enforcement agency and one application submitted by an eligible lead victim service organization).

What can be funded?

There are three categories of funding available:

- Category 1: Development of New Local or Tribal Human Trafficking Task Forces
 - Support for new task forces with starting a multidisciplinary task force and establishing a strong foundation of task force co-leadership structure, clear roles and responsibilities, and internal processes and protocols. Activities can include: formalizing task force structure, developing operational procedures, identifying professional development opportunities, conducting strategic planning activities to guide and outline outreach and training efforts, delivering training for key stakeholders, and conducting an assessment to identify potential areas where sex and labor trafficking may be occurring.
- Category 2: Expansion of Local or Tribal ECM Human Trafficking Task Forces Previously Funded by OJP
 - Support for previously funded local or Tribal ECM task forces. Activities can include supporting expanded task force partnerships, refining and implementing existing and new protocols, peer mentoring, and engaging survivors in meaningful ways. This commitment also entails continuing to implement a set of strategic approaches that are victim-centered and trauma- and survivor-informed.
- Category 3: Enhanced Support for Statewide Task Forces (New or Previously OJP-funded)
 - Support for a statewide, multidisciplinary response to human trafficking for a statewide task force at any stage of development.

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Application Due Dates:
Grants.gov: 3/11/26
JustGrants: 3/18/26

Improving Outcomes for Child and Youth Victims of Human Trafficking

Office of Justice Programs
Funding Priorities



Notice of Funding Opportunity

Eligible entities:

State governments, Native American Tribal Governments (federally recognized)

Total Available Funding: \$4,800,000

Anticipated Number of Awards: 3

Anticipated Award Amount: \$1,600,000

Length of Project: Up to 4 years

Cost Sharing/Match Required? Yes, 25% cash match

Description:

This program provides funding to develop, enhance, and coordinate programs and activities geared toward improving outcomes for child and youth victims of sex and labor trafficking. Outcomes for child and youth victims of human trafficking will be improved through the development and implementation of a statewide or Tribal jurisdiction-wide strategic plan addressing challenges related to identifying and serving child and youth victims of sex and labor trafficking, as well as identifying, investigating, and prosecuting traffickers.

What can be funded?

Grantees will conduct their project in two phases:

- Phase 1: Development or expansion of the jurisdiction-wide strategic plan.
- Phase 2: Implementation or expansion of identified strategies and ongoing refinement of the statewide or Tribal jurisdiction-wide strategic plan and its related strategies to improve services and outcomes for minor victims of human trafficking.
- Activities can include:
 - Developing policies, practices, and guidelines;
 - Carrying out resource or needs assessments;
 - Identifying and filling gaps in victim service delivery;
 - Aligning efforts across multidisciplinary teams, task forces, and steering committees;
 - Providing training and public awareness outreach;
 - Developing, adopting, and implementing victim screening and identification tools; and
 - Conducting assessments of program outcomes (including evaluations).

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Application Due Dates:
Grants.gov: 3/11/26
JustGrants: 3/18/26

Services for Victims of Human Trafficking

Office of Justice Programs
Funding Priorities



Notice of Funding Opportunity

Eligible entities:

Local and State Governments, Native American Tribal Governments, Educational Organizations, Public Housing Organizations, Nonprofit Organizations

Total Available Funding: \$27,700,000

Anticipated Number of Awards: Category 1: 5

Category 2: 27

Anticipated Award Amount: Category 1: \$440,000

Category 2: \$950,000

Length of Project: Up to 3 years

Cost Sharing/Match Required? Yes, 25% cash match

Description:

This program provides funding to develop, expand, and strengthen victim service programs for victims of all forms of human trafficking throughout the United States and its territories. This program provides funding for comprehensive and specialized services for victims of all forms of human trafficking and is intended for victim services programs serving adults or a combination of adults and minors/youth.

What can be funded?

There are two categories of funding:

- Category 1: Developing Capacity To Serve Human Trafficking Victims
 - This category will support victim service organizations that have limited or no prior experience in serving victims of human trafficking and/or victim service organizations that have limited or no prior experience in receiving direct federal funding to serve victims of human trafficking.
 - Activities can include: building internal capacity to serve trafficking survivors and manage federal awards, hiring staff, and implementing services.
- Category 2: Services for Human Trafficking Victims
 - This category will support victim service organizations with a demonstrated history of serving human trafficking victims with either a comprehensive range of direct services or specialized services targeted at the unique needs of human trafficking victims.