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FY2025 Prosecuting Cold Cases Using DNA Notice of Funding Opportunity

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Forensic Policy Advisor



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Agenda

- OJP Overview
- Program Overview
- NOFO Information
- OJP Funding Process Overview
- Application Resources
- Q&A





OJP Overview

What is the Office of Justice Programs?

- The Office of Justice Programs (OJP) provides grant funding, training, research, and statistics to the criminal justice community.
- OJP is one of three grant-making components of the Department of Justice along with the **Office on Violence Against Women (OVW)** and the **Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS)**.

BJA – Bureau of Justice Assistance



BJS – Bureau of Justice Statistics



NIJ – National Institute of Justice



OVC – Office for Victims of Crime



OJJDP – Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

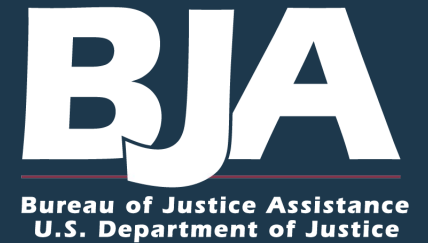


SMART – Office of Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering, and Tracking



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BJA strengthens the Nation's criminal justice system and helps America's state, local, and tribal jurisdictions reduce and prevent crime, reduce recidivism, and promote a fair and safe criminal justice system.



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Tammie M. Gregg
Acting Director

How BJA Supports the Field



Investments

Provide funding to accomplish goals.



Sharing Knowledge

Research, develop, and deliver what works to build capacity and improve outcomes.



Engagement

Connect with the field.





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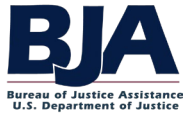
Has your organization applied for OJP grants before?

My organization has applied for and received OJP grants.

My organization has applied for but not been awarded an OJP grant.

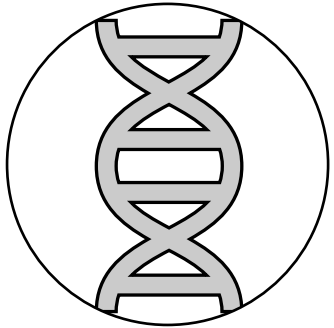
My organization has not applied for an OJP grant, but we've had other federal grants.

My organization is new to OJP grants and looking to learn more!



Program Overview

Prosecuting Cold Cases Using DNA (COLD) Program



Supports resolution of violent crime cold cases by providing resources to investigate and prosecute cases where a **suspect's DNA profile has been generated.**



Lead applicants are prosecutor's offices or law enforcement agencies with a required prosecutorial partner.



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Goals and Objectives

Goal 1: Enhance prosecutorial and investigative capacity for the resolution of violent cold case crimes

- Increase number of violent cold case crimes investigated for potential prosecution and/or case resolution.
- Apply advanced forensic technologies to violent cold case crimes where a suspect DNA profile has already been developed.

Goal 2: Promote justice for victims

- Improve collaboration among stakeholders by successfully increasing capacity of law enforcement and prosecutorial entities.
- Foster partnerships between law enforcement, prosecutorial agencies, forensic experts, and victim response agencies to leverage resources, and promote comprehensive engagement and support for victims and their families in their pursuit of justice.





NOFO Information



Eligibility

- State governments
- County governments
- City or townships governments
- Special district governments
- Native American Tribal governments
- State and local prosecuting agencies
- Law enforcement agencies

For purposes of this NOFO, “state” means any state of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.





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Eligibility

- **A prosecutorial entity must be fully engaged in the project** either as the lead applicant OR by providing a letter of intent and/or memorandum of understanding to demonstrate full engagement in the project.
- If a memorandum of understanding and/or a letter of intent from a prosecutorial entity is not included with the grant application, the application **will not proceed** to peer review.



Federal Award Information

Anticipated amount of funding

- \$6,500,000

Anticipated number of awards to be funded

- Up to 16

Period of performance start date

- October 1, 2025

Period of performance duration

- 36 months

Anticipated maximum dollar amount per award

- Up to \$500,000



Definition: Combined DNA Index System (CODIS)



Generic term used to describe the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI) program of support for criminal justice DNA databases.

- CODIS contains profiles from forensic evidence and offenders/arrestees and can provide investigative information that may assist with identifications.
- Three levels of CODIS: the Local DNA Index System (LDIS), the State DNA Index System (SDIS); and the National DNA Index System (NDIS).



Case Eligibility Requirements

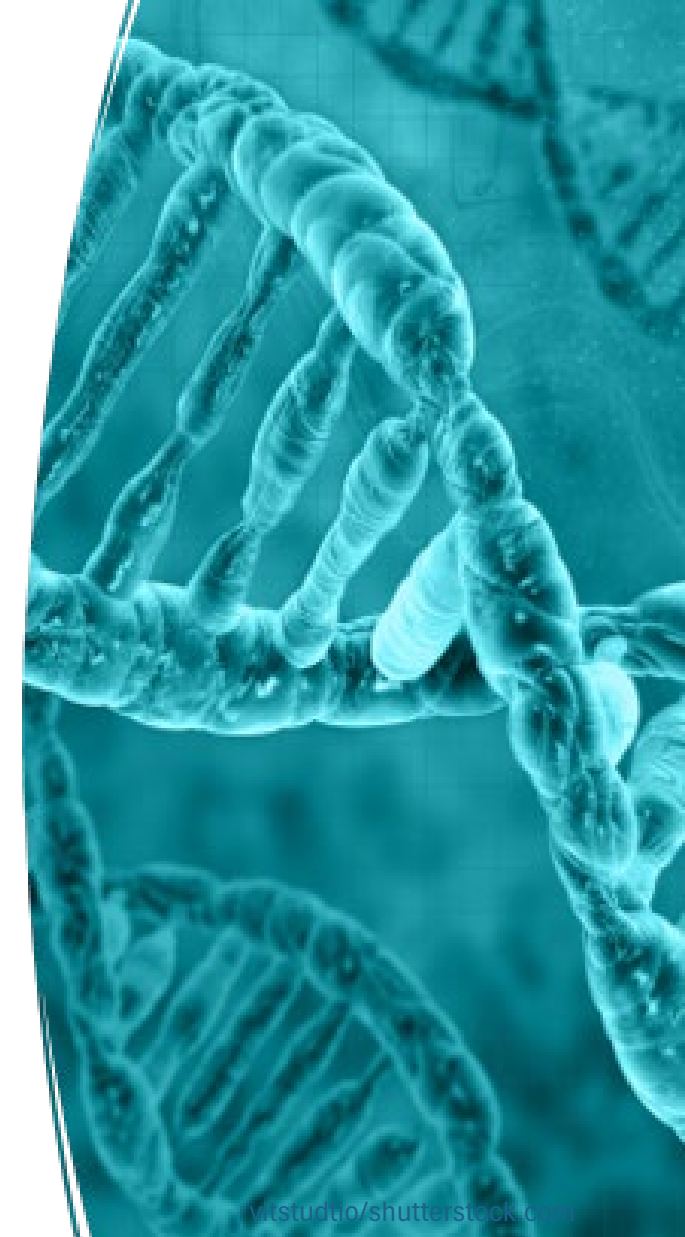
Funding may **not** be used for investigations in which a suspect's DNA profile does not already exist.

Must have suspect DNA

- Crime scene DNA profile from the suspected perpetrator must be in CODIS – or otherwise deemed statistically relevant
- Identity of the suspect may be known or unknown

Must be a violent cold case crime

- Unsolved sexual assault, homicide, aggravated assault or robbery
- Unsolved at time of the grant application deadline



Inventory Requirement

- Inventory of violent cold case crimes that you wish to utilize grant funds for must be submitted and approved by BJA.
- **The application must describe how the inventory requirement will be met.**
- Grant recipients will receive an inventory template to document:
 - Year the crime occurred
 - Offense
 - Year suspect profile developed
 - What DNA technology developed the profile
 - What level of CODIS is the profile in
 - If the profile had a CODIS hit is deemed statistically relevant



ViCAP and NamUs Requirements

- Enter eligible cases into the FBI's Violent Criminal Apprehension Program (ViCAP) and NIJ's National Unidentified and Missing Persons System (NamUs).
- Use the available services to generate investigative leads.



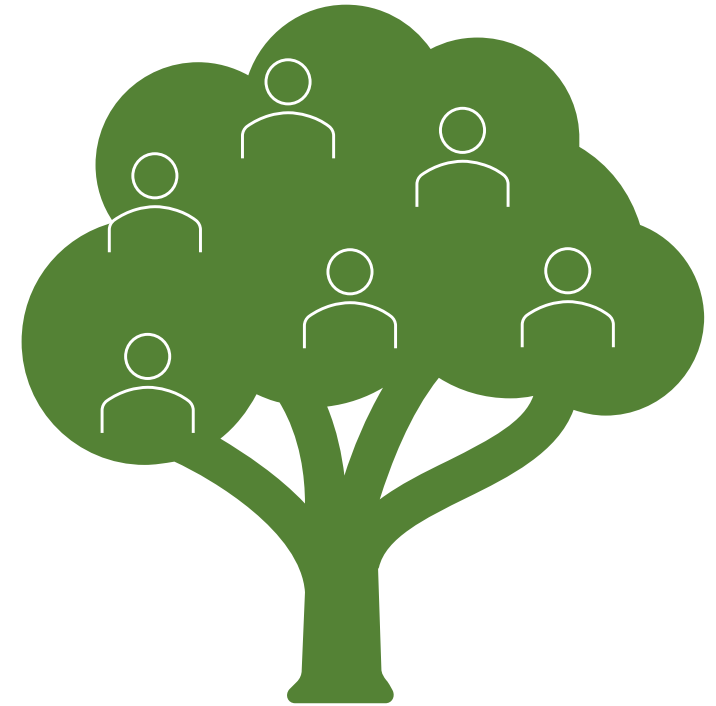
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Forensic Genetic Genealogy (FGG) Requirements

- Using funds for FGG must adhere to the **United States Department of Justice Interim Policy: Forensic Genetic Genealogical DNA Analysis and Searching**
- Refer to page 12 of the NOFO for a full list of requirements.



FGG **Highlighted** Requirements

1. The case must be eligible to be worked with COLD funding.
2. The case must be submitted for entry into ViCAP before FGG.
3. The crime scene sample must have an STR profile in CODIS before FGG.
4. Reasonable investigative leads must have been pursued before FGG.
Importantly that steps have been taken to compare/exclude via DNA individuals relevant to the context of the case/investigation from the profile that is in CODIS (e.g. person(s) of interest, victim, consensual partner, etc.)
5. The investigating agency and prosecutor must agree that FGG is a necessary and appropriate step.



FY25 Allowable Uses of Funds

Investigation

Hire/overtime for investigators

Case review

Crime analysis and ViCAP entry

Travel for investigative purposes

Forensic Testing

Hire/overtime for forensic personnel

Case review

Forensic analysis contracts (e.g. DNA, friction ridge, trace, firearms, digital)

Forensic genetic genealogy

Prosecution

Hire/overtime for prosecutors

Case review

Travel for prosecutorial purposes



Generally Unallowable Uses of Funds

- Cases that were not approved via the Cold Case Inventory
- Salaries, benefits, or overtime for staff who are not directly engaged in prosecution, case review, investigation, and forensic analysis of eligible cases
- Costs for general cold case investigations
- Laboratory and portable investigative equipment
- Vehicles
- Exhumations
- Testing of human remains where the suspect's DNA profile has not been developed
- Conference, membership fees, and/or registrations, without approval of BJA



Unallowable Uses of Funds

NOFO

Note: Addressing these priority areas is one of many factors that OJP considers in making funding decisions. Receiving priority consideration for one or more priority areas does not guarantee a funding award.

Unallowable Uses of Funds

The following are certain unallowable costs and certain activities that are out of the program scope and will not be funded.

1. Out of program scope is any program or activity, at any tier that, directly or indirectly, violates (or promotes or facilitates the violation of) federal immigration law (including 8 U.S.C. § 1373) or impedes or hinders the enforcement of federal immigration law—including by failing to comply with 8 U.S.C. § 1373, give access to DHS agents, or honor DHS requests and provide requested notice to DHS agents.
2. Out of program scope is any program or activity, at any tier that violates any applicable Federal civil rights or nondiscrimination law. This includes violations that— (1) indirectly violate the law, including by promoting or facilitating violations; or (2) unlawfully favor individuals in any race or protected group, including on a majority or minority, or privileged or unprivileged, basis, within a given area, population, or sector.
3. As specified in the [DOJ Grants Financial Guide](#), in Chapter 3.13 “Unallowable Costs” (“Legal Services for Aliens”), any obligations of funds, at any tier, under this award to provide (or to support the provision of) legal services to any removable alien or any alien otherwise unlawfully present in the United States shall be unallowable costs for purposes any award made under this notice, but the foregoing shall not be understood to apply— (1) to legal services to obtain protection orders for victims of crime; or (2) to immigration-related legal services that may be expressly authorized or required by any law, or any judicial ruling, governing or applicable to the award.

Program Goals and Objectives

DOJ Grants Financial Guide

Legal Services for Aliens

Except as indicated in the following sentence, costs of providing legal services (that is, professional services of the kind lawfully provided only by individuals licensed to practice law) to any removable alien (see 8 U.S.C. § 1229a(e)(2)) or any alien otherwise unlawfully present in the United States are disallowed and may not be charged against the award.

Costs for legal services disallowed under the preceding sentence do not include costs for legal services— (1) to obtain protection orders for victims of crime (including associated or related orders (e.g., custody orders), arising from the victimization); (2) that are associated with or relate to actions under 18 U.S.C. ch. 77 (peonage, slavery, and trafficking in persons); (3) to obtain T-visas, U-visas, or “continued presence” immigration status (see, e.g., 8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(15)(T) & (U); 22 U.S.C. § 7105(c)(3)(A)); or (4) as to which such disallowance would contravene any express requirement of any law, or of any judicial ruling, governing or applicable to the award.

<https://www.ojp.gov/funding/financialguidedoj>



Agency Funding Priorities

- (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
- (e) Supporting American victims of trafficking and sexual assault





Mandatory Certification by the Chief Executive Officer (or senior official)

Required for State and Local Government Applicants

- All state and local government applicants **must** submit using the **Appendix 1** template.
- In the Additional Application Components section under Disclosures and Assurances.
- **Applications missing this certification will not proceed to peer review.**

What Is the Certification

- The applicant entity — including its officials and personnel — certifies compliance with 8 U.S.C. §§ 1373 and 1644 in any “*program or activity*” receiving federal financial assistance under any award made by OJP pursuant to this application.
- Subrecipients must also comply with 8 U.S.C. §§ 1373 and 1644.

Certification Submission Steps

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Print and Sign Certification

- Print Certification Form
- Fill in required information
- Signed by the Chief Executive Officer

Blank certification form located at end of NOFO (Appendix 1)

Basic Information	Eligibility	Program Description	Application Submission	Application Review	Award Notices	Post-Award Requirements	Other Information	Application Checklist
Appendix 1 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS <u>Certification by the Chief Executive Officer (or senior official) of the Applicant Government</u> <p>On behalf of the applicant named below, and in support of its application, I certify under penalty of perjury to the Office of Justice Programs ("OJP"), U.S. Department of Justice ("USDJO"), that all of the following are true and correct:</p> <p>(1) I am the chief executive officer of the State or local government ("the jurisdiction") of which the applicant entity named below is a part (or a senior official of the jurisdiction, with the legal authority to bind the same), I have received appropriate legal advice as to this certification, and I have the authority to make this certification on my own behalf as chief executive officer (or senior official) and on behalf of the jurisdiction and the applicant entity. I understand that OJP will rely upon this certification as a material representation in any decision to make an award to the applicant entity.</p> <p>(2) I have carefully reviewed (or have received pertinent legal advice concerning) § 8 U.S.C. §§ 1373(a) & (b) and 1644, including the prohibitions on certain actions by State and local government entities, agencies, and officials regarding information on citizenship and immigration status.</p> <p>(3) I (and the applicant entity) understand that, for purposes of this certification, the term "program or activity" means what it means under title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (<i>see</i> 42 U.S.C. § 2000d-4a), and that terms used in this certification that are defined in § 8 U.S.C. § 1101 mean what they mean under that section 1101, except that the term "State" also shall include American Samoa (<i>cf.</i> 42 U.S.C. § 901(a)(2)).</p> <p>(4) I (and the applicant entity) assure that the applicant entity (and its officials and other personnel) will comply with § 8 U.S.C. §§ 1373 and 1644 in any "program or activity" receiving federal financial assistance under any award made by OJP pursuant to this application. I further certify that any subrecipient (at any tier) of such federal financial assistance (and its officials and other personnel) will also comply with § 8 U.S.C. §§ 1373 and 1644.</p> <p>I acknowledge that a materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement (or concealment or omission of a material fact) in this certification, or in the application that it supports, may be the subject of criminal prosecution (including under 34 U.S.C. § 10271 or under 18 U.S.C. § 1001 or 1621, and may subject me and the applicant entity to civil penalties and administrative remedies for false claims or otherwise (including under 31 U.S.C. §§ 3729-3730 and §§ 3801-3812). I also acknowledge that OJP awards, including certifications provided in connection with such awards, are subject to review by USDJO, including by OJP and by the USDJO Office of the Inspector General.</p>								
Signature of Chief Executive Officer (or senior official) of the Applicant Government				Date of Certification				
Printed Name of Chief Executive Officer (or senior official)				Title of Chief Executive Officer (or senior official)				
Name of Applicant Government Entity								

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Funding Priority Inventory 2

- Go to the Data Requested with Application screen
- Click on Funding Priority Inventory 2

Data Requested with Application

▼ Funding Opportunity Specific/Survey Questions

Critical Component	Survey Name	Status
	Financial Management and System of Internal Controls	New
	Funding Priority Inventory 2	New

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Agency Funding Priorities Inventory

- Select option (f)
- Select all other applicable priority consideration goals that apply

Agency Funding Priorities Inventory

1. Which (if any) of the following priority consideration goals are addressed in the application program narrative and

☐ Select All

☐ (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

☐ (e) Supporting American victims of trafficking and sexual assault

☒ (f) State/local law enforcement efforts that are coordinated with federal law enforcement efforts (including immigration law enforcement efforts)—at minimum as shown by— (1) compliance with 8 U.S.C. § 1373, which provides that state and local government entities may not prohibit, or in any way restrict, any government entity or official from sending to, receiving from, maintaining, or exchanging information regarding citizenship or immigration status, lawful or unlawful, of any individual with components of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security or any other federal, state or local government

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Upload Certification Form

- Click the “Upload” button from the “Additional Application Components” screen

Grant Package (00837934) [\[Link to Grant\]](#)

Notice of Funding Opportunity Instructions

- Standard Applicant Information
- Proposed Abstract
- Data Requested with Application
- Proposed Narrative
- Budget and Associated Documentation
- MOUs and Other Supportive Documents
- Additional Application Components**
- Disclosures and Resumes
- Other
- Certify and Submit

Participants (3)

- JOHN ECHOLS/USDOJ/DOE Entry Administrator
- Jaime Nester Authorized Representative
- Application Submitter

Appendix 1: Certification by the Chief Executive Officer (or senior official) of the Applicant Government

The recommended file to upload are PDF, Microsoft Word and Excel.

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Application Review Process

- Must be submitted by an **eligible type of applicant**.
- Must request funding within programmatic funding constraints
- Must be **responsive to the scope** of the solicitation.
- Must include all items necessary to meet the **basic minimum requirements**.



Merit Review Criteria

- **Statement of the Problem/Description of the Issue (15%)**
- **Project Goals and Objectives (5%)**
- **Project Design and Implementation (40%):**
 - Emphasis on incorporating grant program requirements such as those related to DNA analysis, FGG and ViCAP.
- **Capabilities and Competencies (20%):**
 - Emphasis on the strength of the proposed project team and collaborative partnerships accompanied by sufficiently descriptive MOUs/Letters of Intent.
- **Other (5%):**
 - The applicant's understanding of COLD's suspect DNA requirement.
- **Budget (15%)**



Application Checklist



APPLICATION CHECKLIST

BJA FY25 Prosecuting Cold Cases Using DNA

This application checklist has been created as an aid in developing an application. For more information, reference the "[OJP Application Submission Steps](#)" in the [OJP Grant Application Resource Guide](#) and the [DOJ Application Submission Checklist](#).

SAM.gov Registration/Renewal

- Confirm that your entity's registration in the System for Award Management (SAM.gov) is active through the NOFO period. Submit a new or renewal registration in SAM.gov, if needed (see [Application Resource Guide](#)).

Grants.gov Registration

- Acquire an Authorized Organization Representative (AOR) and a Grants.gov username and password (see [Application Resource Guide](#)).
- Acquire AOR confirmation from the E-Business Point of Contact (E-Biz POC) (see [Application Resource Guide](#)).

Grants.gov Opportunity Search

- Search for the funding opportunity in Grants.gov using the opportunity number, assistance listing number, or keyword(s).
- Access the funding opportunity and application package (see Step 7 under "[OJP Application Submission Steps](#)" in the [Application Resource Guide](#)).
- Sign up for Grants.gov email notifications (optional) (see [Application Resource Guide](#)).

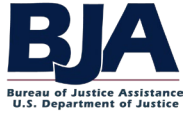
Funding Opportunity Review and Project Planning

- Review all sections of the NOFO.
- Confirm your entity is eligible to receive funding (see [Eligibility: Eligible Applicants](#)).
- Confirm your proposed budget is within the allowable limits (see [Basic Information: Funding Details](#)), includes only allowable costs (see [Application Contents: Submission Requirements, and Deadlines: Budget Detail Form](#)), and includes cost sharing if applicable (see [Eligibility: Cost Sharing/Match Requirement](#)).
- Review the performance measures for this funding opportunity and confirm you will be prepared to collect and report on this data (see [Program Description: Performance Measures](#)).
- Review the "[Legal Overview—FY 2025 Awards](#)" in the [OJP Funding Resource Center](#) and confirm you are prepared to follow the requirements.
- Read OJP policy and guidance on conference approval, planning, and reporting under "Listing of Costs Requiring Prior Approval" in the [DOJ Grants Financial Guide](#) or see the [Application Resource Guide](#).

Submission Step 1: Grants.gov

After registering with SAM.gov submit the SF-424 in Grants.gov.

- Complete and submit the SF-424 by the deadline.



OJP Funding Process Overview

Before You Apply For Funding

SAM.gov Registration – recommend beginning at least 30 days before the first application deadline

- Register/confirm “active” registration status
 - First-time registration – may take several weeks
 - Existing registration – annual renewal required
- Obtain/confirm **Unique Entity Identifier (UEI)**
- Identify current SAM.gov points of contact



Apply For OJP Funding: Overview

Step 1: Grants.gov – complete *at least* 48 hours before deadline in NOFO

- Register/confirm registration
- Submit Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424)

Step 2: JustGrants – complete *at least* 48 hours before deadline in NOFO

- Register/confirm access
- Submit full application, including required attachments



Apply For OJP Funding: Step 1

Step 1: Grants.gov

- Register/confirm registration
- Add/confirm users and their roles
- Complete the Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424)

You can complete the first two actions at any time. Check the [Grants.gov Quick Start Guide](#) for more tips.



Apply For OJP Funding: Step 2

Step 2: JustGrants

Complete the full application in JustGrants

- Standard Applicant Information
- Proposal Abstract
- Proposal Narrative
- Budget and Associated Documentation
- Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and Other Supportive Documents
- Additional Application Components
- Disclosures and Assurances



What Happens Next?

After the JustGrants application deadline, OJP starts its review process:

- Basic Minimum Requirements
- Peer Review
- Programmatic and Financial Review
- Risk Review



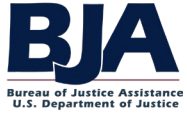
Award Notices

Visit the OJP Grant Awards public website: ojp.gov/funding/ojpgrantawards

Funded applications:

- Notifications sent via JustGrants
- Accept or decline award within 45 days
- Follow steps in [DOJ Award Acceptance Checklist](#)





Application Resources

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OJP Grant Application Resource Guide

February 6, 2025

The Office of Justice Programs (OJP) Grant Application Resource Guide provides guidance to assist OJP grant applicants in applying for OJP funding. It complements notices of funding opportunities (NOFOs) by providing more detail about policies, statutes, and regulations that apply to many (or in some cases, all) OJP funding applicants or to grants and cooperative agreements awarded in fiscal year (FY) 2025. For detailed instructions on using the JustGrants system to submit applications, review the [Application Submission Resources](#). Some OJP NOFOs expressly modify a provision of this guide; in such cases, the applicant should follow the guidelines in the NOFO.

DOJ Grant Application Process Overview

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Initiate an application

Initiate an application in Grants.gov and submit required documents

Note: Complete and submit the required documents in Grants.gov at least 48–72 hours prior to the Grants.gov deadline.

Watch on  YouTube

Want to apply for Department of Justice (DOJ) funding? This video offers a quick look at the systems you'll use to complete your grant application—SAM.gov, Grants.gov, and JustGrants—and shows you where to find assistance with any step in the grant application process.

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SAM.gov Entity Registration and Renewal Requirement

All entities seeking Department of Justice (DOJ) grant funding must have an “active” registration in [SAM.gov](#). **Begin the SAM.gov registration or renewal process 30 days prior to any deadlines** to allow time to complete the full process.

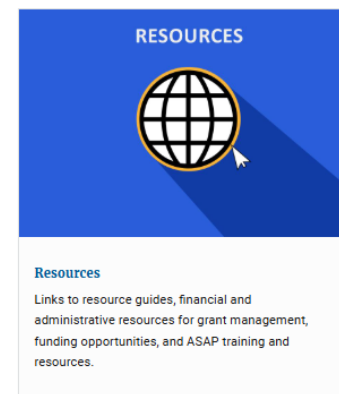
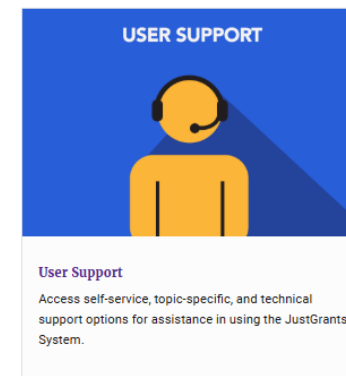
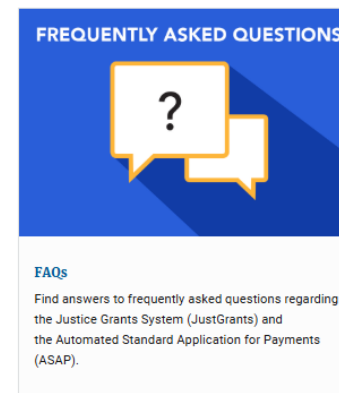
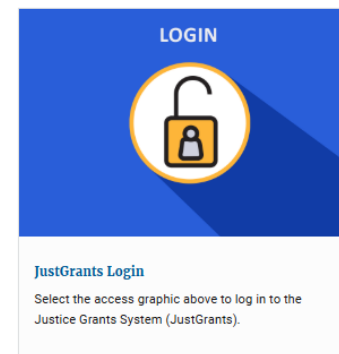
For additional support, visit [SAM.gov Help](#).



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[Watch the Video](#)



Application Assistance

Grants.gov

Assistance with submitting the **SF-424**.

- **Customer Support Hotline**
 - 800-518-4726 or 606-545-5035
 - Operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, except on federal holidays.
- **Web and Email**
 - <https://www.grants.gov/support>
 - support@grants.gov

JustGrants

Assistance with submitting the full application in DOJ's Justice Grants System (JustGrants).

- **Customer Support Hotline**
 - 833-872-5175
 - Monday – Friday between 7am and 9pm ET
 - Saturday, Sunday, and federal holidays from 9am – 5pm ET
- **Web and Email**
 - <https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov/user-support>
 - JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov

Additional Questions?

OJP Response Center

10am to 6pm ET, Monday - Friday



Email: OJP.ResponseCenter@usdoj.gov



Toll free: 800-851-3420



TTY: 202-353-5556
(hearing impaired only)



Important Deadlines

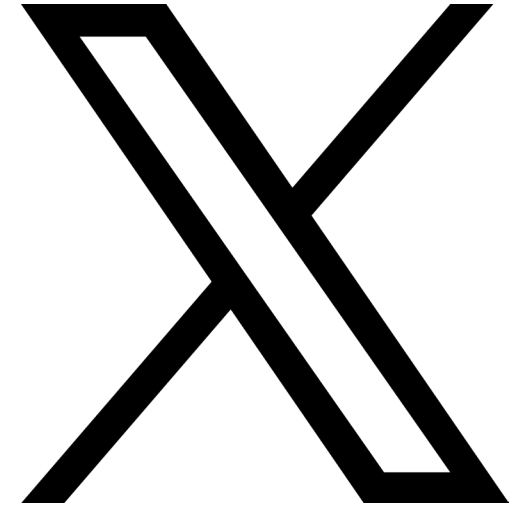
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Deadline to submit SF-424 in Grants.gov: **October 27, 2025, by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time**
Deadline to submit application in JustGrants: **November 3, 2025, by 8:59 p.m. Eastern Time**



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