



The [U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs' Bureau of Justice Assistance](#) is pleased to announce that it is seeking applications for funding under the Gang Training and Technical Assistance Program, part of the Anti-Gang Initiative. This program furthers the Department's mission by assisting state, local, and tribal gang prevention efforts.

Gang Training and Technical Assistance Program FY 2007 Competitive Announcement

Eligibility

Applicants are limited to for-profit organizations, nonprofit organizations, institutions of higher education, and consortiums with demonstrated experience in addressing criminal street gang issues and delivering large-scale training and technical assistance on a national level.

(See "Eligibility," page 1)

Deadline

All applications are due by 8:00 p.m. e.t. on January 16, 2007

(See "Deadline: Applications," page 1)

Contact Information

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This application must be submitted through Grants.gov. For technical assistance with submitting the application, call the Grants.gov Customer Support Hotline at 1-800-518-4726.

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Gang Training and Technical Assistance Program CDFA #16.744

Overview of the Gang Training and Technical Assistance Program

The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) is seeking a training and technical assistance provider who will develop anti-gang curricula and deliver training and other technical assistance to local law enforcement agencies, other justice system agencies, and communities. The provider also will be responsible for supporting all aspects of the National Gang Center, a collaborative effort of the Bureau of Justice Assistance and the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. This program is authorized by the Science, the Departments of State, Justice and Commerce, FY 2006 Appropriations Act, Pub. L. 109-108)

Deadline: Registration

Registering with Grants.gov is a one-time process; however, if you are a first-time registrant, it could take up to several weeks to have your registration validated and confirmed and to receive your user password. It is highly recommended you start the registration process as early as possible to prevent delays in submitting your application package to our agency by the deadline specified. There are three steps that you must complete before you are able to register: 1) register with Central Contractor Registry (CCR), 2) register yourself as an Authorized Organization Representative (AOR), and 3) be authorized as an AOR in your organization. For more information, go to www.grants.gov/. **Note: Your CCR registration must be renewed once a year. Failure to renew your CCR registration will prohibit submission of a grant application through Grants.gov.**

Deadline: Applications

The due date for applying for funding under this announcement is 8:00 p.m. e.t. on January 16, 2007.

Eligibility

For-profit organizations, nonprofit organizations, institutions of higher education, and consortiums with demonstrated experience in addressing gang enforcement, intervention, and prevention issues and delivering training and technical assistance on a national level are eligible to apply. For-profit organizations must agree to waive any profit or fees for services.

Gang Training and Technical Assistance Program-Specific Information

This award is subject to the availability of appropriated funds and any modifications or additional requirements that may be imposed by law.

BJA-funded training and technical assistance supports state, local, and tribal jurisdictions through several vehicles, including: onsite technical assistance; offsite technical assistance (e.g., telephone, e-mail, Internet, distance learning); peer-to-peer information exchange and mentoring (individual, group, or jurisdictionwide); publication development and dissemination;

information sharing; conferences, workshops, and training events, including agenda development, speaker identification, and logistical support; and curriculum development.

BJA is seeking a training and technical assistance provider who will continue the development of anti-gang curricula and deliver training to local law enforcement and communities around the United States. The provider also will be responsible for supporting the National Gang Center (NGC), including its web site. More information about NGC is available at www.nationalgangcenter.gov/.

Requirements and Deliverables

1. Deliver the following existing anti-gang training curricula/courses:
 - Basic Gang Investigators Course: The course provides a standardized core curriculum of generalized subject matter to support investigation and prosecution of street gangs coupled with a module containing location-specific intelligence about gangs in a region. The course delivery should be no longer than 4 days in length and should be directed to the new (individual with less than one year of experience) gang investigator. A minimum of five trainings will be conducted.
 - Gangs 101 Train-the-Trainer Course: The course provides a standardized core curriculum of generalized subject matter to support instructor training and the delivery of curricula related to investigation and prosecution of street gangs. The course delivery should be no longer than 4 days in length and should be directed to experienced trainers (e.g., officers who have conducted formal classroom training, roll call training, etc.). A minimum of four trainings will be conducted.
2. Offer services that use a variety of delivery methods.
3. Respond to training and technical assistance requests in the subject area of gangs (e.g., provide access to anti-gang information for law enforcement, other justice professionals, non-governmental organizations, and community members, as well as provide assistance with anti-gang programs, strategies, and policy development). Priority consideration for recipients of training and technical assistance services will be given to current Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) and the Attorney General's Six-Site Anti-Gang Initiative jurisdictions.
4. Maintain the operations of the NGC, which includes developing and delivering new gang-related law enforcement courses for the law enforcement and the criminal justice community. The type of courses developed and delivered will be determined based upon operational and policy requirements of the law enforcement and criminal justice community.
5. Maintain and expand the NGC web site so that timely information about national gang problems and issues is delivered to practitioners.
6. Develop and conduct two pilot trainings for three anti-gang training curricula/courses:
 - Advanced Gang Investigators Course: A 3-day course for experienced gang officers/investigators that includes instruction on advanced investigative techniques, operational security, conspiracy investigations, and federal investigative resources.
 - Gang Unit Commanders Course: A 3-day course, including training in personnel selection, administrative procedures and standard operating procedures, management techniques, officer safety, tactical planning and operations, and task force and interagency operations.
 - Strategy Seminar for Law Enforcement Chief Executives: A 1-day facilitated seminar for police chiefs and sheriffs focusing on gang denial, assessing and addressing community needs, defining and recording gang crime, and other appropriate gang-related topics.

7. Provide meeting support and planning:
 - Logistical support and travel costs for 4–6 focus groups for curricula development (15–20 participants, 1–1½ days).
 - Logistical support for 9–11 training sessions (30–50 participants, 2–3 days).
 - Logistical support, planning, and travel for 1 large meeting or conference (200–600 participants, 3 days).
 - Applicants should assume a substantive role in developing meeting content in approximately 70 percent of meetings and a logistical support role in all of them.

8. Provide technical assistance:
 - Travel for staff or consultants to conduct onsite training and technical assistance delivery across the country.
 - Offsite training and technical assistance delivery (e.g., telephone, e-mail, Internet, and potentially distance learning).

9. Support communications efforts:
 - Develop five publications on emerging gang-related issues that range from policy briefs (2–5 pages) to larger documents (10–50 pages).
 - Develop and maintain a calendar of related training and technical assistance activities.

Amount and Length of Award

One cooperative agreement for up to \$1.3 million will be awarded for a project period of 12 months. BJA reserves the right to terminate the agreement at any time based on its needs, availability of funds, and/or the awardee’s performance.

Performance Measures

To assist in fulfilling the Department’s responsibilities under the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA), P.L. 103-62, applicants who receive funding under this solicitation must provide data that measures the results of their work. Performance measures for this solicitation are as follows:

Program Goals	Performance Measures	Data Grantee Provides
Prevent gang-related crime, violence, and gang involvement among youth and adults in all communities by reducing the precursor attitudes and behaviors associated with these actions.	<p>Number of local law enforcement agencies, other justice system agencies, and community representatives receiving technical assistance (TA) through the program.</p> <p>Number of local law enforcement agencies, other justice system agencies, and community representatives trained through the program.</p>	<p>Number of technical assistance events during the current reporting period.</p> <p>Number of individuals receiving technical assistance during the current reporting period:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Law enforcement • Other justice agencies • Community representatives <p>Number of training events during the current reporting period.</p> <p>Number of individuals trained during the current reporting period:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Law enforcement • Other justice agencies • Community representatives

	<p>Percent of pre- and post-TA/course evaluations demonstrating self-reported improvement in understanding of strategies to address gang crime.</p>	<p>During the current reporting period, the number of individuals completing both pre- and post-TA/course evaluations that demonstrate improved understanding of strategies to address gang crime.</p> <p>During the current reporting period, the number of individuals completing both pre- and post-TA/course evaluations that did <u>NOT</u> demonstrate improved understanding of strategies to address gang crime.</p> <p>Number and type of products created to serve the field.</p>
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How To Apply

DOJ is participating in the e-Government initiative, one of 25 initiatives included in the President’s Management Agenda. Part of this initiative—Grants.gov—is a “one-stop storefront” that provides a unified process for all customers of federal grants to find funding opportunities and apply for funding.

Grants.gov Instructions: Complete instructions can be found at www.grants.gov. If you experience difficulties at any point during this process, please call the Grants.gov Customer Support Hotline at **1-800-518-4726**.

CFDA Number: The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for this solicitation is 16.744, titled “Anti-Gang Initiative,” and funding opportunity number is BJA-2007-1513.

A DUNS number is required: The Office of Management and Budget requires that all businesses and nonprofit applicants for federal funds include a DUNS (Data Universal Numeric System) number in their application for a new award or renewal of an award. Applications without a DUNS number are incomplete. A DUNS number is a unique nine-digit sequence recognized as the universal standard for identifying and keeping track of entities receiving federal funds. The identifier is used for tracking purposes and to validate address and point of contact information. The DUNS number will be used throughout the grant life cycle. Obtaining a DUNS number is a free, simple, one-time activity. Obtain one by calling 1-866-705-5711 or by applying online at www.dunandbradstreet.com. Individuals are exempt from this requirement.

What an Application Must Include

Standard Form 424

Program Narrative (Attachment 1)

Applicants must submit a Program Narrative that describes the proposed activities for the grant period and responds to the Selection Criteria in the order given. The narrative should be double-spaced, using a standard 12-point font (Times New Roman preferred) with 1-inch margins, and must not exceed 10 pages. Please number pages “1 of 10,” “2 of 10,” etc.

Budget and Budget Narrative (Attachment 2)

Applicants must provide a budget that is complete and allowable. Applicants must submit a budget worksheet and budget narrative in one file. A fillable budget detail worksheet form is available on OJP's web site at www.ojp.usdoj.gov/Forms/budget_fillable.pdf.

Resumes and Letters of Support (Attachment 3)

Attach *Resumes* for key positions and *Letters of Support* that outline the partners' responsibilities.

Selection Criteria

1. Statement of the Problem (15 points)

Demonstrate knowledge and experience with a range of criminal justice, public safety, and anti-gang related practices, policies, and issues. Applicants who plan to partner with other criminal justice and gang-related subject-matter experts or consultants must clearly show the qualifications of those partners.

2. Program Design and Implementation (25 points)

Describe strategies for: (1) conducting activities identified in the Gang Training and Technical Assistance Program-Specific Information section; and (2) delivering services in a short timeframe (requests may require short response times).

3. Capabilities/Competencies (30 points)

Describe the management structure, staffing, and in-house or contracted capacity to complete each of the potential tasks or projects outlined. Provide resumes for project personnel and consultants (see Attachment 3). Provide information that illustrates the ability to manage complex activities (both type and expertise) effectively. Clearly outline the organization's ability to conduct the individual activities and the organization's and staff's experience in developing and providing anti-gang training and technical assistance. As appropriate, describe co-applicants' roles and responsibilities, which should mirror the information provided in the letters of support (see Attachment 3).

4. Budget (20 points)

Provide a proposed budget that is complete and allowable (see Attachment 2).

5. Impact/Outcomes and Evaluation (10 points)

Applicants must describe a process for measuring program performance (see Performance Measures), including meeting timelines and deliverables, as well as obtaining input and feedback from customers and stakeholders.

Review Process

All applications will be peer reviewed. The BJA Director will then make award recommendations to OJP's Assistant Attorney General, who will make final determinations.

Additional Requirements

- Civil Rights compliance.
- Confidentiality and Human Subjects Protections regulations.
- Anti-Lobbying Act.

- Financial and Government Audit requirements.
- National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) compliance.
- DOJ Information Technology Standards.
- Single Point of Contact Review.
- Non-Supplanting of State or Local Funds.
- Criminal Penalty for False Statements.
- Compliance with Office of the Comptroller *Financial Guide*.
- Suspension or Termination of Funding.

We strongly encourage you to review the information pertaining to these additional requirements prior to submitting your application. Additional information for each can be found at www.ojp.usdoj.gov/funding/otherrequirements.htm.