

### **DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TRIBAL GRANTS**

## and Other Grant Programs Tribes are Eligible to Apply for

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 includes \$4 billion in Department of Justice grant funding to enhance tribal, state, and local law enforcement efforts, including the hiring of new police officers, to combat violence against women, and to fight internet crimes against children. The Act provides \$2.7 billion to the Office of Justice Programs (OJP); \$1 billion to the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) program; \$225 million to the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW); and \$10 million to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

There are three Tribal grant programs that focus on specific criminal justice needs: corrections and violence against women.

# **Tribal Grants \$248.6 Million**

# OJP, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) Correctional Facilities on Tribal Lands Program, \$225 million

The <u>Correctional Facilities on Tribal Lands</u>

<u>Program</u> provides resources to allow eligible American Indian tribes and Alaska Native villages to construct or renovate correctional facilities on tribal lands, with consideration given to the detention bed space needs and the violent crime statistics of the applicant tribe or village. *The application deadline is May 4, 2009.* 

# OVW - Grants to Indian Tribal Governments Program, \$20.8 million

The <u>Tribal Governments Grant Program</u> provides resources to enhance the ability of Tribes to respond to violent crimes against American Indian and Alaska Native women, enhance victim safety, and develop education and prevention strategies. Eligible applicants include federally recognized Indian Tribes, their authorized designee, or a consortium consisting of two or more federally recognized Tribes. *The application deadline is April 9, 2009.* 

# OVW - Tribal Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Coalitions Grant Program, \$2.8 million

The <u>Tribal Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence</u>
<u>Coalitions</u> provides resources to end violence against American Indian and Alaska Native women. Eligible applicants are established nonprofit, nongovernmental tribal coalitions addressing domestic violence and/or sexual assault against American Indian and Alaska Native women. *The application deadline is April 8, 2009.* 

# Other Grant Programs Tribes are Eligible to Apply for

### OJP, BJA - The Edward Byrne Competitive Grant Program \$225 million

The Byrne Competitive Grant Program is available to improve the functioning of the criminal justice system, to assist victims of crime (other than compensation) and for youth mentoring initiatives. These grants help communities improve the capacity of local justice systems and may be used for national efforts such as training and technical assistance. Applicants may be national, regional, state, tribal jurisdictions or local public and private entities, including for-profit (commercial) and nonprofit organizations, faith-based community organizations, institutions of higher education, and units of local government that support the purpose areas of this grant program. The application deadline is April 27, 2009.

### OJP, BJA - Assistance to Rural Law Enforcement to Combat Crime and Drugs Competitive Grant Program \$125 million

The Assistance to Rural Law Enforcement to Combat Crime and Drugs grants provide resources to assist law enforcement in rural states and rural areas to prevent and combat crime, especially drug related crime. The application deadline is April 22, 2009.

### OJP, BJA - Assistance for Law Enforcement along the Southern Border and in High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) \$40 million

The <u>State and Local Law Enforcement</u>
<u>Assistance Program: Combating Criminal</u>
<u>Narcotics Activity Stemming from the Southern</u>
<u>Border of the United States</u> grant is a competitive grant program to provide assistance and equipment to law enforcement along the Southern border, and in High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas, to combat criminal

narcotics activity stemming from the Southern border. By statute, \$10 million of these funds is available for the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives for its Project Gunrunner program. The application deadline is April 17, 2009.

# OJP, BJS -Tribal Crime Data Collection Analysis and Estimation Project \$1 million

The <u>Tribal Crime Data Collection</u>, <u>Analysis and Estimation Project</u> provides resources to enhance the utility of crime and justice data for use (1) in the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program formula calculations, and (2) as part of an effort to collect more reliable information on American Indians in the criminal justice system and crimes committed in Indian Country. *The application deadline is April 30, 2009*.

### OJP, Office Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention(OJJDP) - National Youth Mentoring Programs

The National Youth Mentoring Programs provides resources for programs ready for implementation that will strengthen and expand existing mentoring activities. OJJDP is particularly interested in programs that seek to increase participation of mentors by underrepresented groups, programs that target children of single-parent families organizations that focus on making truancy prevention a priority in improving school attendance. The application deadline is April 20, 2009.

### **OJP, OJJDP - Local Youth Mentoring Initiatives**

The Local Youth Mentoring Initiative provides resources for juvenile delinquency and gang participation, improve academic performance, and reduce school dropout rates by enhancing the capacity of local efforts to develop or expand community collaborations and partnership, integrate best practices into mentoring service models, develop strategies to recruit and maintain mentors serving hard-to-reach populations, while ensuring the

program's financial stability. *The application deadline is April 20, 2009.* 

# COPS - COPS Hiring Recovery Program (CHRP) \$1 billion

The COPS Office will award grants to address the personnel needs of state, local, and tribal law enforcement through the <u>CHRP</u>. The application deadline is **April 14, 2009**.

### OVW - Transitional Housing Assistance Program \$43 million

The <u>Transitional Housing Assistance Program</u> provides resources for holistic, victim-centered transitional housing services and related support services that move individuals into permanent housing. Eligible applicants include Tribes, States, units of local government, and other organizations with a documented history of effective work concerning domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. *The application deadline is April 8, 2009.* 

## **Application Procedures**

There are three different agencies within the Department of Justice that will manage Recovery Act grants.

### **How to Apply for OJP Grants**

The Recovery Act grants from BJA, BJS, OJJDP, and OVC all fall under OJP. All interested applicants are encouraged to register to apply for funding.

Potential applicants need to obtain a DUNS (Data Universal Numbering System) number and register with the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) registrant database prior to submitting an application. A DUNS number is a unique number that identifies an organization and helps track the distribution of grant money. The CCR is a central repository of organizations working with the federal government.

Applications must be submitted through OJP's online Grants Management System (GMS). To access the system, please visit <a href="https://grants.ojp.usdoj.gov">https://grants.ojp.usdoj.gov</a>.

# Registration with the OJP GMS is required prior to application submission.

First time applicants should begin the process immediately to meet the GMS registration deadline. The registration process organizations includes: (1) Obtaining a Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number; (2) Registering your organization with the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database; and (3) Registering with GMS first and then submitting the application through the GMS system. Applications with existing accounts do not need to re-register, rather they should use current user IDs and passwords to access GMS. Most tribal governments, state agencies and units of local government (towns, townships, villages, parishes, cities, counties, and other general purpose political subdivisions of a state) have already established a DUNS number. First tier sub-awardees must also have a DUNS number and register with the CCR.

All applicants should check with the organization's grants administrator or chief financial officer regarding the DUNS number. To obtain a DUNS number, call the Dun & Bradstreet (D&B) Customer Resource Center at 1-866-705-5711 or visit the following website - http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform/displayHome Page.do.

To verify or renew a CCR registration, visit <a href="http://www.ccr.gov/">http://www.ccr.gov/</a>. If an organization is not registered with CCR, identify a primary contact who will do the annual registration for the organization. All organizations must have a DUNS number before trying to register with CCR. Organizations must update or renew their CCR registration at least once per year to maintain an active status. Please allow up

to three weeks to complete the CCR registration process.

#### **Contact OJP**

For more information about OJP Recovery Act grants or OJP programs, visit OJP's website frequently for updates (<a href="https://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/recovery">www.ojp.usdoj.gov/recovery</a>), or call (202) 307-0703.

### **How to Apply for COPS Grants**

Applications for CHRP grants will be accepted only online through the COPS Office web site: www.cops.usdoj.gov.

The online application materials are available on the COPS website. To ensure all agencies have sufficient time to complete the required steps visit the "Account Access" portion of the COPS web site at <a href="https://www.cops.usdoj.gov">www.cops.usdoj.gov</a> to determine if the organization has an active online account and/or how to create one.

Once logged into "Account Access," applicants will able to add additional user accounts and also update agency contact information. All applicants are urged to carefully review and update agency Law Enforcement and Government Executive information, and make sure that contact information is current for individuals submitting the CHRP grant application. Questions about system access, forgotten passwords or user names, or general assistance, can be referred to (800) 421-6770 between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, or Email egov.issues@usdoj.gov.

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working with the federal government. See the OJP grant information above to additional details and contact information for obtaining a DUNS number or registering in the CCR.

### **Contact COPS**

For more information about COPS Recovery Act grants or COPS programs, visit COP's website frequently for updates (<a href="www.cops.usdoj.gov/recovery">www.cops.usdoj.gov/recovery</a>), or call the COPS office Response Center at (800) 421-6770.

### **How to Apply for OVW Grants**

Applications for OVW grants must be submitted through OJP's online Grants Management System (GMS). To access the system, please visit https://grants.ojp.usdoj.gov.

Potential applicants need to obtain a DUNS number and register with the CCR database prior to submitting an application. See the OJP grant information above for additional details and contact information for obtaining a DUNS number, registering in the CCR, and registering and applying in the GMS.

#### Contact OVW

For more information about OVW Recovery Act grants or OVW programs, visit their website frequently for updates (<a href="www.ovw.usdoj.gov/recovery.htm">www.ovw.usdoj.gov/recovery.htm</a>), send an Email to <a href="OVW.Recovery@usdoj.gov">OVW.Recovery@usdoj.gov</a> or call (202) 307-6026.

## **Recovery Act Requirements**

Successful applicants receiving Recovery Act grant awards must comply with various applicable requirements, including the following:

Recovery Act Reporting Requirements;
Section 1512(c) of the Recovery Act
Section 1511 of the Recovery Act:

<u>Certifications</u>

<u>Section 1602 of the Recovery Act: Preference</u> <u>for Quick-Start Activities</u>

Section 1604 of the Recovery Act: Limit on Funds

Section 1605 of the Recovery Act: Buy American

Section 1606 of the Recovery Act: Wage Rate Requirements

Section 1607 of the Recovery Act: Additional Funding Distribution and Assurance of

Appropriate Use of Funds

Section 1609 of the Recovery Act: Relating to

National Environmental Policy Act

Non-supplanting of State and Local Funds

**Civil Rights Compliance** 

Funding to Faith-Based Organizations

Confidentiality and Human Subjects

Protection

**Anti-Lobbying Act** 

Financial and Government Audit

Requirements

National Environmental Policy Act

DOJ Information Technology Standards (if

applicable)

Single Point of Contact Review

**Criminal Penalty for False Statements** 

### **Peer Reviewers**

Peer reviewers with Native American policy expertise are needed to serve as reviewers for the OJP grant programs under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. All interested in becoming a peer reviewer for OJP are asked to submit a current resume or curriculum vitae, including a valid e-mail address, to Amy Callaghan at Amy.Callaghan@usdoj.gov

Please put "Tribal Policy Peer Reviewer Candidate Resume" in the subject line. OJP will contact all peer review applicants once the resume information has been entered into the OJP database.