

The U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs (OJP), National Institute of Justice (NIJ) is seeking applications for funding to evaluate the Domestic Minor Victims of Human Trafficking Demonstration Program that will be awarded in FY09 by the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC). This program furthers the Department's mission by sponsoring research to provide objective, independent, evidence-based knowledge and tools to meet the challenges of crime and justice, particularly at the State and local levels.

Evaluation of OVC FY09 Services for Domestic Minor Victims of Human Trafficking

Eligibility

(See "Eligibility," page 3)

Deadline

Registration with the Office of Justice Programs' Grant Management System (GMS) is required prior to application submission.

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All applications are due July 27, 2009, 11:45 p.m. eastern time.

Contact Information

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This application must be submitted through the Office of Justice Programs' Grants Management System (GMS). For technical assistance with submitting the application, call the Grants Management System Support Hotline at 1–888–549–9901, option 3.

Note: The GMS Support Hotline hours of operation are Monday–Friday from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. eastern time.

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Overview

The National Institute of Justice (NIJ) is the research, development, and evaluation agency of the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) and a component of the Office of Justice Programs (OJP). NIJ provides objective, independent, evidence-based knowledge and tools to enhance the administration of justice and public safety. NIJ solicits applications to inform its search for the knowledge and tools to guide policy and practice.

NIJ seeks proposals to conduct an evaluation of human trafficking demonstration programs that will be funded by the Office for Victims of Crimes (OVC) under a concurrent FY09 solicitation. Specifically, the successful grantee will conduct a participatory process evaluation of two OVC demonstration programs that will be chosen based on their promising strategies to deliver a comprehensive array of services to child victims (i.e., under age 18) of human trafficking who are U.S. citizens or legal permanent residents.

Deadline: Registration

Applicants must register with GMS prior to applying. The deadline to register is 11:45 p.m. eastern time on July 27, 2009.

Deadline: Application

The due date for applying for funding under this announcement is **July 27**, **2009**, **11:45** p.m. eastern time.

Eligibility

In general, NIJ is authorized to make grants to, or enter into contracts or cooperative agreements with, States (including territories), local governments (including federally recognized Indian tribal governments that perform law enforcement functions), nonprofit and profit organizations (including tribal nonprofit and profit organizations), institutions of higher education (including tribal institutions of higher education), and certain qualified individuals. Foreign governments, foreign organizations, and foreign institutions of higher education are not eligible to apply.

Faith-Based and Other Community Organizations: Consistent with Executive Order 13279, dated December 12, 2002, and 28 C.F.R. Part 38, faith-based and other community organizations that statutorily qualify as eligible applicants under DOJ

programs are invited and encouraged to apply for assistance awards to fund eligible grant activities. Faith-based and other community organizations will be considered for awards on the same basis as other eligible applicants and, if they receive assistance awards, will be treated on an equal basis with all other grantees in the administration of such awards. No eligible applicant or grantee will be discriminated for or against on the basis of its religious character or affiliation, religious name, or the religious composition of its board of directors or persons working in the organization.

Faith-based organizations receiving DOJ assistance awards retain their independence and do not lose or have to modify their religious identity (e.g., remove religious symbols) to receive assistance awards. DOJ grant funds, however, may not be used to fund any inherently religious activity, such as prayer or worship. Inherently religious activity is permissible, although it cannot occur during an activity funded with DOJ grant funds; rather, such religious activity must be separate in time or place from the DOJ-funded program. Further, participation in such activity by individuals receiving services must be voluntary. Programs funded by DOJ are not permitted to discriminate in the provision of services on the basis of a beneficiary's religion.

If your organization is a faith-based organization that makes hiring decisions on the basis of religious belief, it may be entitled, under the Religious Freedom Restoration Act, 42 U.S.C. § 2000bb, to receive Federal funds and yet maintain that hiring practice, even if the law creating the funding program contains a general ban on religious discrimination in employment. For the circumstances under which this may occur, and the certifications that may be required, please see the section titled "Funding to Faith-Based Organizations" on the "Other Requirements for OJP Applications" Web page at http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/funding/other_requirements.htm.

Applicants are also encouraged to review the "Civil Rights Compliance" section of the "Other Requirements for OJP Applications" Web page, which also can be found at http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/funding/other_requirements.htm.

American Indian Tribes and Alaska Native Tribes and/or Tribal Organizations: If a grant application is being submitted on behalf of a tribe or tribal organization, a current authorizing resolution of the governing body of the tribal entity or other enactment of the tribal council or comparable government body authorizing the inclusion of the tribe or tribal organization named in the application must be included with the application.

Specific Information—Evaluation of OVC FY09 Services for Domestic Minor Victims of Human Trafficking

Applicants for the Evaluation of OVC FY09 Services for Domestic Minor Victims of Human Trafficking should review OVC's Discretionary Grant Program solicitation titled "OVC FY09 Services for Domestic Minor Victims of Human Trafficking," paying close attention to the programmatic elements. The OVC solicitation can be found at http://www.ovc.gov/fund/pdftxt/FY09_Services_Domestic_Minor_Victims.pdf.

What little research exists on the trafficking of children suggests that they tend to have different risk factors, vulnerabilities, service needs, and challenges than adults who have been victims of human trafficking. OVC funding through this FY09 initiative is intended to improve access to services and enhance services as needed for child victims.

Specifically, OVC will fund two sites for a 3-year period to deliver an array of services to domestic child victims (i.e., under age 18) of human trafficking who are U.S. citizens or legal permanent residents. The OVC grantees will work collaboratively with Federal, State, and local law enforcement as well as local public agencies and nonprofit and faith-based organizations that serve youth in order to enhance or expand a current model of service delivery to minors who have been subjected to severe forms of sex or labor trafficking, as defined by the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000 (codified at 22 U.S.C. § 7101 et. seq.). OVC expects to have the two sites selected by the fall of 2009.

NIJ seeks proposals to conduct a participatory process evaluation of this demonstration program. NIJ will make one award. The successful NIJ grantee will work collaboratively with grantees from the OVC-funded programs, NIJ, and OVC to:

- 1. Identify the critical elements of the service delivery program;
- 2. Describe key partnerships and partnership activities;
- **3.** Provide a description of who receives services and how participants use services;
- 4. Assess the extent to which the program has been implemented as planned;
- **5.** Assess participant and stakeholder experience and satisfaction with the program;
- 6. Document unintended activities or processes; and
- **7.** Provide feedback to OVC-funded programs that serve victims of human trafficking.

This information is needed to help victim service agencies and law enforcement make informed decisions about service delivery to minors who have been subjected to severe forms of sex or labor trafficking, as defined by the TVPA of 2000.

NIJ recognizes the challenge of proposing a tailored evaluation design in the absence of more specific information about the approaches and activities to be implemented at demonstration sites not yet selected by OVC. Accordingly, using the literature on participatory evaluation, the applicant should propose appropriate methods for closely examining the demonstration program sites. The applicant should also provide a clear rationale for the plan and indicate the requisites that will need to be in place.

The successful NIJ grantee will be expected to:

- Work collaboratively with the OVC grantee organizations to finalize the evaluation design and data collection plan within 4 months of the award.
- Participate in a startup meeting with NIJ, OVC, and OVC grantees within 6 months of the award (meeting to be held in Washington, DC).
- Provide interim feedback to OVC grantees on their programs between month 18 and month 24 of the award.
- Provide each site with a report at the conclusion of the award.
- Provide a final report to NIJ.

Please note: All applicants under this solicitation must comply with Department of Justice regulations on confidentiality and human subjects protection. See "Other Requirements for OJP Applications" at http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/funding/other_requirements.htm.

What will *not* be funded:

- 1. Provision of training or direct service.
- 2. Proposals primarily to purchase equipment, materials, or supplies. (Your budget may include these items if they are necessary to conduct applied research, development, demonstration, evaluation, or analysis.)
- 3. Work that will be funded under another specific solicitation.

Cost of proposed work: NIJ anticipates that up to a total of \$500,000 may become available for one (1) award made through this solicitation. All NIJ awards are subject to the availability of appropriated funds and to any modifications or additional requirements that may be imposed by law. NIJ expects to make one award, depending on funds available, the number of high-quality applications, and other pertinent factors. If you propose a project that exceeds the amount of money that may be available for this solicitation, we recommend that you divide the project into phases, stages, or tasks so that NIJ can consider making an award for a specific portion of the work. NIJ cannot guarantee that subsequent phases, stages, or tasks will be funded. Such additional funding depends on, among other things, NIJ resources, strategic priorities, and your satisfactory completion of each phase, stage, or task. Note: Deliverables (e.g., a final report) will be required at the end of each phase, stage, or task.

Applicants should be aware that the total period of an award, including one that receives additional funding, ordinarily will not exceed 3 years.

A grant made by NIJ under this solicitation may account for up to 100 percent of the total cost of the project. See "Cofunding," under "What an Application Must Include."

Limitation on use of award funds for employee compensation; waiver: No portion of any award of more than \$250,000 made under this solicitation may be used to pay any portion of the total cash compensation (salary plus bonuses) of any employee of the award recipient whose total cash compensation exceeds 110 percent of the maximum annual salary payable to a member of the Federal Government's Senior Executive Service (SES) at an agency with a Certified SES Performance Appraisal System for that year. (The salary table for SES employees is available at http://www.opm.gov.)

This prohibition may be waived at the discretion of the Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Justice Programs. An applicant that wishes to request a waiver should include a detailed justification in the budget narrative for the application. The justification should include: the particular qualifications and expertise of the individual, the uniqueness of the service being provided, the individual's specific knowledge of the program or project undertaken with the grant funds and a statement explaining that the individual's salary is commensurate with the regular and customary rate for an individual with her/his qualifications and expertise, and for the work that is to be done.

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 measure the results of their work. Performance measures for this solicitation are as follows:

Objective	Performance Measures	Data Grantee Provides
To develop and analyze information and data having clear implications for criminal justice policy and practice in the United States.	Relevance to the needs of the field as measured by whether the grantee's substantive scope did not deviate from the funded proposal or any subsequent agency modifications to the scope. Quality of the research as assessed by peer reviewers. Quality of management as measured by whether significant interim project milestones were achieved, final deadlines were met, and costs remained within approved limits. If applicable, number of NIJ final grant reports, NIJ research documents, and grantee research documents published.	A final report providing a comprehensive overview of the project and a detailed description of the project design, data, and methods; a full presentation of scientific findings; and a thorough discussion of the implications of the project findings for criminal justice practice and policy. Two site specific technical reports. Quarterly financial reports, semi-annual progress reports, and a final progress report. If applicable, each data set that was collected, acquired, or modified in conjunction with the project. If applicable, citation to report(s)/document(s).

How to Apply

Grants Management System Instructions. Applications must be submitted through OJP's online Grants Management System (GMS). To access the system, go to https://grants.ojp.usdoj.gov. Applicants should begin the process a few weeks prior to the GMS registration deadline, especially if this is the first time they have used the system. Each application requires a separate GMS registration. For a step-by-step guide, visit http://www.ojp.gov/gmscbt/ and refer to the section entitled "External Overview: Locating & Applying for Funding Opportunities." For additional assistance, call the GMS Help Desk at 1–888–549–9901 from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. eastern time.

Note: OJP will not review any application whose attachments are in Microsoft Vista or Microsoft 2007 format. Applications submitted via GMS must be in the following formats: Microsoft Word (*.doc), Word Perfect (*.wpd), PDF files (*.pdf), or Text Documents (*.txt), and may include Microsoft Excel (*.xls) files. GMS is not yet compatible with Vista and cannot yet process Microsoft Word 2007 documents saved in the new default format with the extension ".docx." Please ensure that Word documents you are submitting are saved using "Word 97–2003 Document (*.doc)" format. Additionally, GMS does not accept executable file types as application attachments. These disallowed file types include, but are not limited to, the following extensions: ".com," ".bat," ".exe," ".vbs," ".cfg," ".dat," ".db," ".dbf," ".dll," ".ini," ".log," ".ora," ".sys," and ".zip."

CFDA Number: The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for this solicitation is 16.560, titled "National Institute of Justice Research, Evaluation, and Development Project Grants."

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 Numbering 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 for Federal assistance applicants, recipients, and subrecipients. 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 http://www.dnb.com/us. Individuals are exempt from this requirement.

Central Contractor Registration (CCR) is required: In addition to the DUNS number requirement, OJP requires that all applicants (other than individuals) for Federal financial assistance maintain current registrations in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database. The CCR database is the repository for standard information about Federal financial assistance applicants, recipients, and subrecipients. Organizations that have previously submitted applications via Grants.gov are already registered with CCR, as it is a requirement for Grants.gov registration. Please note, however, that applicants must update or renew their CCR at least once per year to maintain an active status. Information about registration procedures can be accessed at www.ccr.gov.

What an Application Must Include

An application must include the following:

Standard Form 424

Program Narrative

The Program Narrative includes:

a. Abstract (not to exceed 600 words).

The abstract should state the problem under investigation (including goals and objectives of the proposed project) and the anticipated relevance of the project to criminal justice public policy, practice, or theory applicable to the United States. It should describe the proposed method and/or research design, including data to be used in addressing research questions, data collection procedures and instrumentation, access to data, and other methods or procedures of the proposed study. It should also describe procedures for data analysis and all expected products, including interim and final reports, instrumentation, devices, and data sets to be submitted in accordance with the Data Archiving Strategy (see below). If applicable, it should describe the subjects who will be involved in the proposed project, including the number of participants; participants' age, gender, and race/ethnicity; and other pertinent characteristics, such as methods used to gain access to subjects.

b. Resubmit response (if applicable).

If you are resubmitting a proposal that was submitted, but not funded, under a previous solicitation, you must provide a response indicating that your proposal is a revision and that it was submitted before. You should prepare a two-page response to the earlier panel review that includes (1) the title, submission date, and NIJ-assigned application number of the previous proposal, and (2) a brief summary of responses to the review and/or revisions to the proposal. Insert the response after the abstract.

- c. Table of contents.
- d. Main body.

The main body of the Program Narrative should describe the project in depth and include the following sections:

- Purpose, goals, and objectives.
- Review of relevant literature.
- Research design and methods.
- Implications for criminal justice policy and practice in the United States.
- Management plan and organization.
- Dissemination strategy including interim feedback to OVC grantees on their programs and two site specific reports.
- e. Appendixes.

Appendixes are not counted against program narrative page limit and must include:

- Bibliography/References (if applicable).
- Data Archiving Strategy (see "Other Program Attachments" below).
- List of key personnel (required).
- Résumés of key personnel (required).
- List of previous and current NIJ awards (required).
- Letters of cooperation/support or administrative agreements from organizations collaborating in the project (if applicable).
- Chart for timeline, research calendar, or milestones (required).
- Other materials required by the solicitation.

Budget Detail Worksheet

The Budget Detail Worksheet should address the full scope, duration, and cost of the project. It should include a breakdown of costs associated with each budget category, including itemizations and calculations where necessary.

The budget must be broken down on a year-by-year basis over the length of the project. That is, if the proposed project is 3 years, then there should be separate budgets for year one, year two, and year three.

Templates for filling out the Budget Detail Worksheet may be found online at http://www.oip.usdoj.gov/funding/forms/budget_detail.pdf, OJP Standard Forms & Instructions. If you have any questions, please contact the Office of the Chief Financial Officer's Customer Service Center at 1–800–458–0786.

Budget Narrative

The Budget Narrative is a plain-language description of each of the proposed expenditures listed in the Budget Detail Worksheet. It should clearly explain the purpose and reason for all expenditures in the budget. There should be no ambiguities about any budget item. The narrative should also include details for calculated rates or other figures.

As with the Budget Detail Worksheet, the Budget Narrative must be broken down on a year-by-year basis.

Indirect Rate Agreement (if applicable)

Applicants that do not have a federally negotiated indirect cost rate and wish to establish one can submit a proposal to their "cognizant" Federal agency. Generally, the cognizant Federal agency is the agency that provides the preponderance of direct Federal funding. This can be determined by reviewing an organization's schedule of Federal financial assistance. If DOJ is your cognizant Federal agency, obtain information needed to submit an indirect cost rate proposal at

http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/financialguide/part3/part3chap17.htm.

Other Program Attachments

These include several forms, available on OJP's funding page at http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/funding/forms.htm.

Data Archiving Strategy: NIJ requires that each data set resulting from funded research be submitted as a grant product or deliverable for archiving with the National Archive of Criminal Justice Data. (Data sets are to be submitted 90 days before the end of the project period.) Applications for NIJ research grants must include a brief (one- or two-page) data archiving strategy. For purposes of research replication and extension, the inclusion of only the final data set often prevents other researchers from replicating or extending the study because there are no original data, intermediate data, or documentation detailing how the data changed throughout the project. This data archiving strategy therefore must briefly describe the—

- Anticipated manipulations of original, intermediate, and final data sets (as applicable).
- Methods of documentation of such manipulations.
- Preparation of original, intermediate, and final data sets for archive submission.

The data archiving strategy should be submitted as an appendix to the application and will NOT count toward the 30-page limit. Please label this appendix "Data Archiving Strategy."

Page limit: The program narrative section of your application must not exceed 30 double-spaced pages in 12-point font with 1-inch margins. Abstract, resubmit response, table of contents, charts, figures, appendixes, and government forms do not count toward the 30-page limit for the narrative section.

Cofunding: A grant made by NIJ under this solicitation may account for up to 100 percent of the total cost of the project. You must indicate whether you believe it is feasible for you to contribute cash, facilities, or services as non-Federal support for the

project. Your application should identify generally any such contributions that you expect to make and your proposed budget should indicate in detail which items, if any, will be supported with non-Federal contributions.

Selection Criteria

Successful applicants must demonstrate the following:

Statement of the Problem (Understanding of the problem and its importance)—15%

- 1. Clarity of problem statement.
- 2. Awareness of relevant research.
- 3. Connection between proposed research and problem.

Project/Program Design and Implementation (Quality and technical merit)—30%

- 1. Awareness of the state of current research or technology.
- 2. Soundness of methodology and analytic and technical approach.
- 3. Feasibility of proposed project and awareness of pitfalls.
- 4. Innovation and creativity (when appropriate).

Capabilities/Competencies (Capabilities, demonstrated productivity, and experience of applicants)—20%

- 1. Qualifications and experience of proposed staff.
- 2. Demonstrated ability of proposed staff and organization to manage the effort.
- 3. Adequacy of the plan to manage the project, including how various tasks are subdivided and resources are used.
- 4. Successful past performance on NIJ grants and contracts (when applicable).
- 5. Qualifications and experience in evaluating direct service, victim service initiatives or initiatives that involve vulnerable or at-risk children or youth.

Budget—15%

- 1. Total cost of the project relative to the perceived benefit.
- 2. Appropriateness of the budget relative to the level of effort.
- 3. Use of existing resources to conserve costs.

Impact/Outcomes and Evaluation (Relevance to policy and practice)—15%

- 1. Potential for significant advances in scientific or technical understanding of the problem.
- 2. Potential for significant advances in the field.
- 3. Relevance for improving the policy and practice of criminal justice and related agencies and improving public safety, security, and quality of life.
- 4. Affordability and cost-effectiveness of proposed end products, when applicable (e.g., purchase price and maintenance costs for a new technology or cost of training to use the technology).
- 5. Perceived potential for commercialization and/or implementation of a new technology (when applicable).

Relevance of the project for policy and practice:

Higher quality applications clearly explain the practical implications of the project. They connect technical expertise with criminal justice policy and practice. To ensure that the project has strong relevance for policy and practice, some researchers and technologists collaborate with practitioners and policymakers. You may include letters showing support from practitioners, but they carry less weight than clear evidence that you understand why policymakers and practitioners would benefit from your work and how they would use it. While a partnership may affect State or local activities, it should also have broader implications for others across the country.

Dissemination Strategy—5%

- 1. Well-defined plan for the grant recipient to disseminate results to appropriate audiences, including researchers, practitioners, and policymakers.
- 2. Suggestions for print and electronic products NIJ might develop for practitioners and policymakers.

Review Process

OJP is committed to ensuring a standardized process for awarding grants. NIJ reviews the application to make sure that the information presented is reasonable, understandable, measurable, achievable, and consistent with program or legislative requirements as stated in the solicitation.

Peer reviewers will be reviewing the applications submitted under this solicitation as well. NIJ may use either internal peer reviewers, external peer reviewers, or a combination of both to review the applications under this solicitation. An external peer reviewer is an expert in the field of the subject matter of a given solicitation who is NOT a current U.S. Department of Justice employee. An internal reviewer is an expert in the field of the subject matter of a given solicitation who is a current U.S. Department of Justice employee. Applications will be screened initially to determine whether the applicant meets all eligibility requirements. Only applications submitted by eligible applicants that meet all other requirements (such as timeliness, proper format, and responsiveness to the scope of the solicitation) will be evaluated, scored, and rated by a peer review panel. Peer reviewers' ratings and any resulting recommendations are advisory only. In addition to peer review ratings, considerations may include, but are not limited to, underserved populations, strategic priorities, past performance, and available funding.

After the peer review is finalized, the Office of the Chief Financial Officer (OCFO), in consultation with NIJ, conducts a financial review of all potential discretionary awards and cooperative agreements to evaluate the fiscal integrity and financial capability of applicants; examines proposed costs to determine if the budget and budget narrative accurately explain project costs; and determines whether costs are reasonable, necessary, and allowable under applicable Federal cost principles and agency regulations. OCFO also reviews the award document and verifies the OJP Vendor Number.

Absent explicit statutory authorization or written delegation of authority to the contrary, all final grant award decisions will be made by the Assistant Attorney General (AAG), who may also give consideration to factors including, but not limited to, underserved

populations, strategic priorities, past performance, and available funding when making awards.

Additional Requirements

Successful applicants selected for an award must agree to comply with additional applicable requirements prior to receiving grant funding. We strongly encourage you to review the list below pertaining to these additional requirements prior to submitting your application. Additional information for each can be found at http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/funding/other_requirements.htm.

- 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 (NEPA)
- DOJ Information Technology Standards
- Single Point of Contact Review
- Nonsupplanting of State and Local Funds
- Criminal Penalty for False Statements
- Compliance with Office of Justice Programs Financial Guide http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/financialguide/
- Suspension or Termination of Funding
- Nonprofit Organizations
- For-Profit Organizations
- Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA)
- Rights in Intellectual Property
- Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA) of 2006

If your proposal is funded, you will be required to submit several reports and other materials, including:

Final substantive report: The final report should be a comprehensive overview of the project and should include, among other things, a detailed description of the project design, data, and methods; a full presentation of scientific findings; and a thorough discussion of the implications of the project findings for criminal justice practice and policy in the United States. It must contain an abstract of no more than 600 words and an executive summary of 2,500 to 4,000 words.

A draft of the final report, abstract, and executive summary must be submitted 90 days before the end date of the grant. The draft final report will be peer reviewed upon submission. The reviews will be forwarded to the principal investigator with suggestions for revisions. The author must then submit the revised final report, abstract, and executive summary by the end date of the grant. The abstract, executive summary, and final report must be submitted in both paper and electronic formats.

For program evaluation studies, the final report should include a section on measuring program performance. This section should outline the measures used to evaluate program effectiveness, modifications made to those measures as a result of the evaluation, and recommendations regarding these and other potential performance measures for similar programs. (This information will be particularly valuable to NIJ and other Federal program agencies in implementing performance measures for federally funded criminal justice programs.)

Interim reports: Grantees must submit quarterly financial reports, semi-annual progress reports, a final progress report, and, if applicable, an annual audit report in accordance with Office of Management and Budget Circular A–133. Future awards and fund drawdowns may be withheld if reports are delinquent.

Data sets: NIJ requires submission of all data sets (original, intermediate, and final) produced or collected for the funded project, and any artifact associated with the project data. Included with the final sets of data should be the plan outlined in the Data Archiving Strategy section of the proposal.