

BYRNE JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT LOCAL SOLICITATION

FY2020 GRANT

\$75.3 MILLION

APPLY BY AUGUST 19, 2020



GRANT HIGHLIGHTS

The Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) program provides states and local units of government with critical funding necessary to support a range of programs including law enforcement and technology improvement programs.

This solicitation applies only to the 40% of overall JAG funding allocated to local units of government. The 60% state allocation of \$162.8 million was addressed through a separate solicitation that closed on May 29, 2020. Of this amount, an additional percentage ([Variable Pass-Through](#)) is required to be distributed by the states to local units of government through a sub-grant process administered by the [State Administering Agency](#) (SAA).

Local jurisdictions that receive a direct award from the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) may still be eligible to receive funding from the state's 60% allocation through that state's sub-grant process.

No match is required by BJA for this grant program. However, states typically have a match requirement for the Variable Pass-Through sub-grant funds they provide to local governments.

The performance period is two years for Category 1 awardees and four years for Category 2 awardees.

ALLOWABLE COSTS

JAG funds may be used for a variety of criminal justice-related purposes, including Law Enforcement Programs and Technology Improvement Programs. Areas of emphasis include addressing violent crime, enforcing firearm laws, officer safety and wellness, safe policing for safe communities, and fentanyl detection.

- **Interoperable Communications:** Emergency communications projects funded with FY20 JAG funds should comply with the [2020 SAFECOM Guidance](#), support the Statewide Communication Interoperability Plan (SCIP) and be coordinated with the full-time Statewide Interoperability Coordinator (SWIC).
- **Body-Worn Camera (BWCs):** An applicant that proposes to use FY20 JAG funds to purchase BWC equipment or to implement or enhance BWC programs must provide to the Office of Justice Programs a [certification form](#) that each recipient state law enforcement agency has policies and procedures in place related to BWC equipment usage, data storage and access, privacy considerations, and training.
- **National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS):** Unless already certified as NIBRS compliant, JAG recipients must ensure that at least three percent of the total award amount is used toward NIBRS compliance and must clearly indicate in their application narratives and budgets what projects will be supported with this three percent set-aside.

WHO CAN APPLY

- Eligible jurisdictions are determined by BJA based on a formula that includes violent crime data and population.
- Local allocations are posted [here](#). Up to 1,058 local awards will be made.
 - Category 1: Units of local government eligible for allocations of less than \$25,000
 - Category 2: Units of local government eligible for allocations of more than \$25,000
- Previously announced state allocations are posted [here](#).
- Disparate Jurisdictions — In some instances, jurisdictions will be identified as “disparate” and must work together with one jurisdiction serving as their fiscal agent. They may join their efforts and spend all the funds collectively or spend funds on separate initiatives. Each entity must sign an MOU prior to draw down of any grant funds.
- Every eligible jurisdiction must submit an application in order to receive funding.

MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS OFFERS A PROVEN BASIS FOR YOUR APPLICATION

We offer a wide range of solutions to promote safety and security, and increase operational efficiency to help state, local and tribal agencies create safer cities and thriving communities, including:

- **APX™ Mission-Critical Radios** — Operating on the more resilient P25 radio networks preferred by first responders, APX radios provide the uncompromising quality and reliability demanded by public safety professionals. In many school districts, the School Resource Officer carries both DMR and P25 radios to manage communications with first responders and the school radios users simultaneously.
- **CommandCentral Software** — CommandCentral is an end-to-end software suite that provides users with a unified, intuitive experience and intelligent capabilities designed specifically for the needs of public safety and schools. It includes integrated call handling, command and control and records and evidence solutions.
- **Video Security and Analytics** — Avigilon, a Motorola Solutions company, offers advanced video security and analytics solutions, from high-definition cameras to artificial intelligence and machine learning software.
- **License Plate Recognition (LPR)** — Vigilant Solutions, a Motorola Solutions company, offers an LPR platform with powerful analytics that help complete the investigative triangle of person, plate and location. All of the data and analytics received from LPR detections across the nation are stored in Vigilant's Cloud, LEARN, to help law enforcement develop leads and close cases.
- **Body-Worn and In-Car Cameras** — WatchGuard, a Motorola Solutions company, provides mobile video solutions for law enforcement, supplying in-car video systems and body-worn cameras along with evidence management software to approximately one-third of all law enforcement agencies in the United States and Canada.

APPLICATION DEADLINE AND GUIDELINES

- **All registrations and applications must be in by August 19, 2020, 11:59 p.m. eastern time.** If you must wait for Grant Management System (GMS) approval before submitting an application, you are urged to **apply at least 72 hours before the deadline.** You must make your grant application available for review by the governing body (or to the organization designated by the governing body) not fewer than 30 days before you submit your application to BJA. Applicants must register in the OJP Grants Management System (GMS) at <https://grants.ojp.usdoj.gov/> prior to submitting an application under this solicitation.
- **Remember to submit your application by the deadline.** Even if the governing body review and public notification period have not been met at the time of the grant submission, you are still eligible to receive funding. In these cases, DOJ will place a withholding special condition on the grant, which allows the grantee to complete the public notification portion and governing body review prior to being eligible to receive funding.

WHAT YOU NEED TO APPLY

- **Program narrative** — among other things, description of the types of programs to be funded, the need for these programs, anticipated coordination efforts, and performance measures.
- **Budget and budget narrative** — full description of all costs and how this is the most cost effective way to achieve project goals.
- **Applicants disclosure of pending application** — Applicants are to disclose whether they have pending federal grant applications for funding to support the same project/cost items.
- **Certifications** — formal approval documents from the government entity, including compliance with the non-supplanting requirement, public comment requirement, and "sanctuary policies" relating to immigration enforcement in accordance with 8 U.S.C. section 1373.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- [Byrne JAG Local Solicitation](#)
- [QJP Budget Detail Worksheet](#)
- [Byrne JAG FAQs](#)
- [Other Byrne JAG Resources](#)
- [BJA Contact Lists](#)
- [BJA BWC Toolkit](#)
- [QJP Grant Application Resource Guide](#)

WE CAN HELP YOU

The grant application process can be challenging to navigate. To help you, Motorola Solutions has partnered with the grant experts at [PoliceGrantsHelp.com](https://www.policegrantshelp.com). Their team of funding experts can help your agency identify which areas you are eligible for, answer questions and offer insights on how to write an effective application.

Additional information and resources can be found on our website: www.motorolasolutions.com/govgrants.

