OJJDP FY 09 Recovery Act Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program Grants

Frequently Asked Questions

1. What agencies are eligible to apply?

Only the existing 59 ICAC Task Forces funded by OJJDP are eligible to apply for the ICAC Recovery Act solicitation

- 2. How many jobs must be created with Recovery Act funds? Does a minimum percentage of the grant need to go to personnel versus other costs? There is no specified number of jobs that must be created. There are no established percentages for personnel or other operating expenses.
- **3.** What sort of justification is needed to document that a job was going to be lost but for Recovery Act funding?

The Task Force Commander should prepare a memo that describes the situation (e.g., potential layoffs, reduction in force, planned retirement) that is averted as a result of Recovery Act funds being made available to create jobs or prevent job loss.

- 4. How can an existing ICAC affiliate access Recovery Act funds for ICAC? The subgranting of award funds is up to the discretion of the Task Force Commander. Affiliates (or potential affiliates) should contact the ICAC Task Force in their state to request/apply for a sub grant. Affiliates will be required to sign a Memorandum of Understanding stating the agency will adhere to the standards and practices of the ICAC program and track and report on required performance measures.
- 5. What start and end dates do we need to use for the ICAC Recovery Act application?

The start date should be April 1, 2009. The award period may be 12 to 48 months. Each Task Force Commander has the discretion to choose the award time period that works best for its unique considerations. The 48 month project period is available in situations where this length of time is necessary to support positions created or retained under this project. This justification must be included in the application.

6. Is it acceptable to charge a percentage of salary for staff who administer/manage/or perform clerical duties/ prepare reimbursements for the award?

Yes, each Task Force may hire or cover an administrative support position. For each position funded under the ICAC Recovery Act award, the Task Force will need to report on how each individual contributed to the required performance measures. For clerical or administrative staff, anticipate reporting the number of hours officers were able to redirect to active investigations because extra clerical or administrative support was available.

7. Can a grantee use ICAC Recovery funds to backfill an investigator position? Which position do we claim as the new job and how do we tie the job to appropriate performance measures? If your Task Force plans to bring Detective A into ICAC as a full-time

investigator and hire new Officer B to fill A's old position, ICAC Recovery Funds should be used to pay for the new full-time position for Detective A. Detective A's contribution to the ICAC performance measures should be reported.

8. Whom can I call if I have questions about this program?

For assistance with the programmatic requirements of this solicitation, contact Christopher Holloway at 202-305-9838 or <u>Christopher.Holloway@usdoj.gov</u>; Jeffrey Gersh at 202-514-5535 or <u>Jeffrey.Gersh@usdoj.gov</u>; or Amy Staubs 202-307-5762 or <u>Amy.Staubs@usdoj.gov</u>

This application must be submitted through *OJP's Grants Management System (GMS)*. For technical assistance relating to the on-line application system, call – The Grants Management System Support Hotline at 1-888-549-9901, option 3.