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# OJJDP FY 2020 Comprehensive Anti-Gang Programs for Youth FY 2020 Competitive Grant Solicitation

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The <u>U.S. Department of Justice</u> (DOJ), <u>Office of Justice Programs</u> (OJP), <u>Office of Juvenile</u> <u>Justice and Delinquency Prevention</u> (OJJDP) is seeking applications for funding under the fiscal year (FY) 2020 Comprehensive Anti-Gang Programs for Youth Program. This program supports the Department's priorities to reduce violent crime, combat gangs, and enhance public safety.

This solicitation incorporates the <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u> by reference. The OJP Grant Application Resource Guide provides guidance to applicants on how to prepare and submit applications for funding to OJP. If this solicitation expressly modifies any provision in the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide, the applicant is to follow the guidelines in this solicitation as to that provision.

Eligibility (Who may apply):

Eligible applicants are limited to—

- states and territories,
- units of local government,<sup>1</sup>
- federally recognized Indian tribal governments,
- nonprofit organizations<sup>2</sup> (including tribal nonprofit organizations), and
- institutions of higher education (including tribal institutions of higher education).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A "unit of local government" means—

<sup>(</sup>a) Any city, county, township, town, borough, parish, village, or other general purpose political subdivision of a state.(b) Any law enforcement district or judicial enforcement district that—

<sup>(</sup>i) Is established under applicable state law, and

<sup>(</sup>ii) Has the authority to, in a manner independent of other state entities, establish a budget and impose taxes.

<sup>(</sup>c) For the purposes of assistance eligibility, any agency of the government of the District of Columbia or the federal government that performs law enforcement functions in and for—

<sup>(</sup>i) The District of Columbia, or

<sup>(</sup>ii) Any Trust Territory of the United States.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See <u>oip.gov/funding/Explore/SolicitationRequirements/OrganizationalRequirements.htm</u> for additional information on demonstrating nonprofit status

All recipients and subrecipients (including any for-profit organization) must forgo any profit or management fee.

Eligible applicants that propose to provide direct services to youth must not include youth who are age 18 or older in the population they will serve.

# **Contact Information**

For technical assistance with submitting an application, contact the Grants.gov Customer Support Hotline at 800–518–4726 or 606–545–5035, at <u>https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/support.html</u>, or at <u>support@grants.gov</u>. The Grants.gov Support Hotline operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, except on federal holidays.

An applicant that experiences unforeseen Grants.gov technical issues beyond its control that prevent it from submitting its application by the deadline must email the National Criminal Justice Reference Service Response Center (Response Center) at <u>grants@ncjrs.gov</u> within 24 hours after the application deadline to request approval to submit its application after the deadline. Additional information on reporting technical issues appears under "Experiencing Unforeseen Grants.gov Technical Issues" in the How To Apply (Grants.gov) section in the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide.

For assistance with any other requirements of this solicitation, contact the Response Center by telephone at 800–851–3420 or TTY: 301–240–6310 (hearing impaired only) or by email at <u>grants@ncjrs.gov</u>. Response Center hours of operation are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday, and 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. ET on the solicitation close date. General information on applying for OJJDP awards can be found at <u>https://www.ojjdp.gov/funding/funding.html</u>. Answers to frequently asked questions that may assist applicants are posted at <u>https://ojjdp.ojp.gov/sites/g/files/xyckuh176/files/media/document/ojjdp-2020-17092-faqs.pdf</u>.

A solicitation webinar will be held on **April 13, 2020 at 2p.m. ET**. This webinar will provide a detailed overview of the solicitation and allow an opportunity for interested applicants to ask questions. Preregistration is required for all participants. Register by clicking on this link and following the instructions. Due to the limited time, OJJDP encourages participants to review the solicitation and submit any questions they may have in advance and no later than 3 days prior. Submit your questions to Grants@ncjrs.gov with the subject as "Questions for OJJDP FY 2020 Comprehensive Anti-Gang Programs for Youth Webinar." After the webinar, you will find the webinar recording uploaded here.

# **Deadline Details**

Applicants must register with Grants.gov at <u>https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/register.html</u> prior to submitting an application. All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. eastern time (ET) on May 26, 2020.

To be considered timely, an application must be submitted by the application deadline using Grants.gov, and the applicant must have received a validation message from Grants.gov that indicates successful and timely submission. OJP urges applicants to submit applications at least 72 hours prior to the application due date, to allow time for the applicant to receive validation messages or rejection notifications from Grants.gov, and to correct in a timely fashion any problems that may have caused a rejection notification.

An applicant must use the **Add Attachment** button to attach a file to its application. Do not click the paperclip icon to attach files. This action will not attach the files to the application. After adding an attachment, select the **View Attachment** button to confirm you attached the correct file. To remove the file, select the **Delete Attachment** button.

OJP encourages all applicants to read this Important Notice: Applying for Grants in Grants.gov.

For additional information, see the "How to Apply (Grants.gov)" section in the <u>OJP Grant</u> <u>Application Resource Guide</u>.

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# OJJDP FY 2020 Comprehensive Anti-Gang Programs for Youth

# CFDA #16.123

# A. Program Description

# Overview

This solicitation provides funding for communities to develop youth gang intervention or suppression programs that aim to reduce violence.

# Statutory Authority

Awards under this solicitation will be made under the Department of Justice Appropriations Act, 2020, Pub. L. No. 116-93, 133 Stat. 2317, 2407.

# **Program-Specific Information**

The OJJDP <u>Comprehensive Gang Model</u> is an evidence-based framework for the coordination of multiple strategies to address serious, violent, and entrenched youth street gang problems. The model combines prevention, intervention, and suppression tactics to address the root causes of criminal gang activity within a community. OJJDP expects applicants for funding under this solicitation to develop program activities based on the core strategies of the Comprehensive Gang Model as outlined below.

This solicitation contains two categories: (1) Intervention and (2) Suppression. Details for each category are provided below.

# Category 1: Intervention. OJJDP-2020-17171

This category supports intervention strategies that can dissuade youth from joining gangs and help them discontinue their involvement in gangs. Proposed strategies should build upon the principles of the following core strategies in the OJJDP Comprehensive Gang Model:

- Community Mobilization.
- Opportunities Provision.
- Social Intervention.

# Category 2: Suppression. OJJDP-2020-17172

This category supports focused deterrence and suppression strategies aimed at preventing and reducing youth gang violence. Applicant organizations are encouraged to develop and implement a variety of suppression strategies aligned with the principles of the Suppression core strategy in the OJJDP Comprehensive Gang Model.

**Coordination with Project Safe Neighborhoods.** The OJJDP FY 2020 Comprehensive Anti-Gang Programs for Youth Program is part of the <u>Project Safe Neighborhoods</u> (PSN) suite of programs, which is focused on reducing violent crime. These initiatives coordinate proactively with the PSN team in the district of the respective U.S. Attorney's Office (USAO) to enhance collaboration and strengthen commitment to reducing violent crime. Applicants are encouraged to demonstrate a willingness to engage with the respective district of the U.S. Attorney's Office (USAO), where violent crime reduction is a priority, for the purpose of potential collaboration. Applicants that demonstrate how the USAO has been engaged and the role it will play in the event that funding is awarded will receive priority consideration.

# Goals, Objectives, and Deliverables

The goal of this solicitation is to prevent and reduce youth gang involvement and youth gang violence. Overarching objectives and deliverables include:

- Reduce and sustain reductions in community youth violence, particularly gun and gang violence, and victimization.
- Prevent violence and promote healing from victimization and exposure to violence.
- Convene a task force or working group (this may be an existing group) that meets regularly throughout the project period to identify and address service gaps and barriers, and use funding for a wide variety of intervention and suppression strategies targeting youth who are in a gang or at risk of joining a gang.

OJJDP supports the National Gang Center to provide training and technical assistance to OJJDP-funded sites addressing youth gang violence. Sites funded through this solicitation are expected to work with the Center. Successful applicants are expected to participate in a cross-site grantee meeting in each year of the project. Additional Resources:

- <u>OJJDP Model Programs Guide</u> contains information about evidence-based juvenile justice and youth prevention, intervention, and reentry programs. It is a resource for practitioners and communities about what works, what is promising, and what does not work in juvenile justice, delinquency prevention, and child protection and safety.
- <u>OJP CrimeSolutions.gov</u> uses rigorous research to inform practitioners and policymakers about what works in criminal justice, juvenile justice, and crime victim services.
- <u>Youth.gov</u> provides interactive tools and other resources to help youth-serving organizations and community partnerships plan, implement, and participate in effective programs for youth.
- <u>National Gang Center</u> disseminates information, knowledge, and outcome-driven practices that engage and empower those in local communities with chronic and emerging gang problems to create comprehensive solutions to prevent gang violence, reduce gang involvement, and suppress gang-related crime.

The Goals, Objectives, and Deliverables are directly related to the performance measures that demonstrate the results of the work completed, as discussed under What an Application Should Include.

# **OJP Policy Priority Areas**

In FY 2020, and in addition to executing any program-specific prioritization that may be applicable, OJP will give priority consideration to applications as follows:

• Applications from federally-recognized tribes.

- Applications that address specific challenges that rural communities face.
- Applications that demonstrate that the individuals who are intended to benefit from the requested grant reside in high-poverty areas or persistent-poverty counties.
- Applications that offer enhancements to public safety in economically distressed communities (Qualified Opportunity Zones).
- Applications that go to enhancing criminal justice and public safety by indicating agreement to comply with one or more of the following law enforcement-related award conditions:
  - Where the application is from a State or local government entity that operates at least one correctional facility (as defined at 34 U.S.C. 10251(a)(7)), applications in which the applicant agrees to comply with award conditions related to cooperation with federal law enforcement, as set forth in Appendix #B.
  - Where the application is from a State or local government entity, applications in which the applicant agrees to comply with award conditions related to noninterference with federal law enforcement, as set forth in Appendix #C.
  - Where the application is from a State or local government entity, applications in which the applicant agrees to comply with award conditions related to nondisclosure of federal law enforcement information, as set forth in Appendix #D.

To receive priority consideration under the rural priority, applicants must describe what makes the geographic service area rural (using U.S. Census or other appropriate government data; for assistance, applicants may wish to refer to <u>https://www.census.gov/programs-</u><u>surveys/geography/guidance/geo-areas/urban-rural.html</u>)</u>, how isolated the area is from needed services, and how they will address specific challenges in rural communities.

To receive priority consideration under the poverty priority, the applicant must provide information to demonstrate that the individuals who are intended to benefit from the requested grant reside in high-poverty areas or persistent poverty counties. For purposes of this priority consideration, the term "high-poverty area" means any census tract with a poverty rate of at least 20 percent as measured by the 2013–2017 5-year data series available from the American Community Survey of the Census Bureau (applicants may search by census tract at <a href="https://www.census.gov/acs/www/data/data-tables-and-tools/narrative-profiles/2017/">https://www.census.gov/acs/www/data/data-tables-and-tools/narrative-profiles/2017/</a>) and the term "persistent poverty over the past 30 years, as measured by the 1990 and 2000 decennial censuses and the most recent Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates (applicants may search by county at <a href="https://www.census.gov/data/tables/time-series/dec/census-poverty.html">https://www.census.gov/data/tables/time-series/dec/census-poverty.html</a> and at <a href="https://www.census.gov/data/tables/time-series/dec/census-poverty.html">https://www.census.gov/data/tables/time-series/dec/census-poverty</a>.

To receive priority consideration under the Qualified Opportunity Zones priority, applicants must include information that specifies how the project will enhance public safety in the specified QOZs. For resources on QOZs, and for a current list of designated QOZs, see the U.S. Department of the Treasury's resource webpage, accessible at <a href="https://www.cdfifund.gov/pages/opportunity-zones.aspx">https://www.cdfifund.gov/pages/opportunity-zones.aspx</a>.

To receive priority consideration for enhancing criminal justice and public safety by agreeing to comply with one or more award conditions related to law enforcement, applicants can agree to one or more of a series of award conditions (and will receive priority points for each accepted condition):

- To receive priority consideration under the priority for cooperation with federal law enforcement, applicants must sign and submit the certification provided in Appendix #B.
- To receive priority consideration under the priority for noninterference with federal law enforcement, applicants must sign and submit the certification provided in Appendix #C.
- To receive priority consideration under the priority for nondisclosure of federal lawenforcement information, applicants must sign and submit the certification provided in Appendix #D.

OJP policy priority consideration will consist of receiving additional points in the application scoring process. Receipt of priority consideration does not guarantee that an application will be funded; nor will the failure to receive priority consideration necessarily mean that an application will not be funded.

# **Evidence-Based Programs or Practices**

OJP strongly emphasizes the use of data and evidence in policymaking and program development in criminal justice, juvenile justice, and crime victim services. For additional information and resources on evidence-based programs or practices, see the <u>OJP Grant</u> <u>Application Resource Guide</u>.

# Information Regarding Potential Evaluation of Programs and Activities

Applicants should note that OJP may conduct or support an evaluation of the programs and activities funded under this solicitation. For additional information, see the <u>OJP Grant</u> <u>Application Resource Guide</u> section titled "Information Regarding Potential Evaluation of Programs and Activities."

# **B. Federal Award Information**

# **Category 1: Intervention**

Maximum number of awards OJJDP expects to make	Up to 8
Estimated maximum dollar amount for each award	\$500,000
Total amount anticipated to be awarded under solicitation	\$4,000,000
Period of performance start date	October 1, 2020
Period of performance duration	36 months
<b>Category 2: Suppression</b> Maximum number of awards OJJDP expects to make Estimated maximum dollar amount for each award Total amount anticipated to be awarded under solicitation Period of performance start date Period of performance duration	Up to 11 \$230,000 \$2,530,000 October 1, 2020 36 months

OJJDP may, in certain cases, provide additional funding in future years to awards made under this solicitation, through continuation awards. OJJDP will consider, among other factors, OJP's strategic priorities (programmatic and policy), a recipient's overall management of the award, and progress of award-funded work, when making continuation award decisions.

Under this solicitation, only one application by any particular applicant entity will be considered. An entity may, however, be proposed as a subrecipient (subgrantee) in more than one application.

OJJDP may elect to fund applications submitted under this FY 2020 solicitation in future fiscal years, dependent on, among other considerations, the merit of the applications and on the availability of appropriations.

All awards are subject to the availability of appropriated funds and to any modifications or additional requirements that may be imposed by law.

# Type of Award

OJJDP expects to make awards under this solicitation as grants. See the "Administrative, National Policy, and Other Legal Requirements" section of the <u>OJP Grant Application Resource</u> <u>Guide</u> for additional information.

## **Financial Management and System of Internal Controls**

Award recipients and subrecipients (including recipients or subrecipients that are pass-through entities) must, as described in the Part 200 Uniform Requirements<sup>3</sup> as set out at 2 C.F.R. 200.303, comply with standards for financial and program management. See the <u>OJP Grant</u> <u>Application Resource Guide</u> for additional information.

# **Budget Information**

Cost Sharing or Match Requirement

This solicitation does not require a match.

Please see the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide for information on the following:

<u>Pre-agreement Costs (also known as Pre-award Costs)</u> <u>Limitation on Use of Award Funds for Employee Compensation; Waiver</u> <u>Prior Approval, Planning, and Reporting of Conference/Meeting/Training Costs</u> <u>Costs Associated with Language Assistance</u> (if applicable)

# **C. Eligibility Information**

For eligibility information, see the title page.

For information on cost sharing or match requirements, see Cost Sharing or Match Requirement.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The "Part 200 Uniform Requirements" means the DOJ regulation at 2 C.F.R Part 2800, which adopts (with certain modifications) the provisions of 2 C.F.R. Part 200.

# **D.** Application and Submission Information

This solicitation expressly modifies the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide by not incorporating the "Disclosure of Process Related to Executive Compensation" provisions in the "Application Attachments" section of the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide.

# What an Application Should Include

The following application elements MUST be included in the application submission for an application to meet the basic minimum requirements (BMR) to advance to peer review and receive consideration for funding: Program Narrative, Budget Detail Worksheet, and Budget Narrative.

See the "Application Elements and Formatting Instructions" section of the <u>OJP Grant Application</u> <u>Resource Guide</u> for information on what happens to an application that does not contain all of the specified elements or that is nonresponsive to the scope of the solicitation.

## 1. Application for Federal Assistance (Standard Form (SF)-424)

The SF-424 is a required standard form used as a cover sheet for submission of preapplications, applications, and related information. See the <u>OJP Grant Application</u> <u>Resource Guide</u> for additional information on completing the SF-424.

**Intergovernmental Review:** This solicitation ("funding opportunity") **is not** subject to <u>Executive Order 12372</u>. (In completing the SF-424, an applicant is to answer question 19 by selecting the response that the "Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.")

#### 2. Project Abstract

Include a project abstract that summarizes the proposed project in 400 words or less. Project abstracts should be—

- Written for a general public audience.
- Submitted as a separate attachment with "Project Abstract" as part of its file name.
- Single-spaced, using a standard 12-point Times New Roman font with 1-inch margins.

The abstract should indicate what category the applicant is applying for, briefly describe the project's purpose, the population to be served, and the activities that the applicant will implement to achieve the project's goals and objectives. The abstract should describe how the applicant will measure progress toward these goals. The abstract should indicate whether the applicant will use any portion of the project budget to conduct research, as described in Note on Project Evaluations on page 13. All project abstracts should follow the detailed template available at

www.ojp.gov/funding/Apply/Resources/ProjectAbstractTemplate.pdf.

As a separate attachment, the project abstract will not count against the page limit for the program narrative.

# 3. Program Narrative

Applicants must submit a program narrative that presents a detailed description of the purpose, goals, objectives, strategies, design, and management of the proposed program. The program narrative should be double-spaced with 1-inch margins, not exceeding 30 pages of 8½ by 11 inches, and use a standard 12-point Times New Roman. Pages should be numbered "1 of 30," etc. The tables, charts, pictures, etc., including all captions, legends, keys, subtext, etc., may be single-spaced and will count in the 30-page limit. Material required under the Budget and Budget Narrative and Additional Attachments sections will not count toward the program narrative page count. Applicants may provide bibliographical references as a separate attachment that will not count toward the 30-page program narrative fails to comply with these length-related restrictions, OJJDP may negatively consider such noncompliance in peer review and in final award decisions.

The program narrative should address the following selection criteria: (1) statement of the problem, (2) program design and implementation, (3) capabilities and competencies, and (4) plan for collecting the data required for this solicitation's performance measures. The applicant should clearly delineate the connections between and among each of these sections. For example, the applicant should derive the goals and objectives directly from the problems to be addressed. Similarly, the project design section should clearly explain how the program's structure and activities will accomplish the goals and objectives identified in the previous section.

The following sections should be included as part of the program narrative:

a. **Statement of the Problem.** Applicants should briefly describe the nature and scope of the problem that the program will address (e.g., gang activity, gang-related violence, victimization, exposure to violence). The applicant should use data to provide evidence that the problem exists, demonstrate the size and scope of the problem, and document the effects of the problem on the target population and the larger community. Any data or research referenced in the narrative should include information about the source of the data and/or a citation. Applicants should describe the target population and any previous or current attempts to address the problem.

Applicants should describe any research or evaluation studies that relate to the problem and contribute to their understanding of its causes and potential solutions. While OJJDP expects applicants to review the research literature for relevant studies, they should also explore whether unpublished local sources of research or evaluation data are available.

b. Project Design and Implementation. Applicants should detail how the project will operate throughout the funding period and describe the strategies that they will use to achieve the goals and objectives identified in the previous section. Applicants should describe how they will complete the deliverables stated in the Goals, Objectives, and Deliverables section on page 6. OJJDP encourages applicants to select evidence-based practices for their programs. For priority consideration, applicants should include a discussion of coordination with the local PSN team (see page 6).

This section should also include details regarding any leveraged resources (cash or inkind) from local sources to support the project and discuss plans for sustainability beyond the grant period. **Timeline.** Applicants should submit a realistic timeline or milestone chart that indicates major tasks associated with the goals and objectives of the project, assigns responsibility for each, and plots completion of each task by month or quarter for the duration of the award, using "Year 1," "Month 1," "Quarter 1," etc., not calendar dates (see "Sample Project Timelines" <u>here</u>).

Applicants should submit the timeline as a separate attachment, as stipulated in Additional Attachments, page 13. On receipt of an award, the recipient may revise the timeline, based on training and technical assistance that OJJDP will provide.

- c. **Capabilities and Competencies.** This section should describe the experience and capability of the applicant organization and any contractors or subgrantees that the applicant will use to implement and manage this effort and its associated federal funding, highlighting any previous experience implementing projects of similar design or magnitude. Applicants should highlight their experience/capability/capacity to manage subawards, including details on their system for fiscal accountability. Management and staffing patterns should be clearly connected to the project design described in the previous section. Applicants should describe the roles and responsibilities of project staff and explain the program's organizational structure and operations. Applicants should include a copy of an organizational chart showing how the organization operates, including who manages the finances; how the organization manages subawards, if there are any; and the management of the project proposed for funding.
- d. Plan for Collecting the Data Required for This Solicitation's Performance Measures. OJP will require each successful applicant to submit regular performance data that demonstrate the results of the work carried out under the award. The performance data directly relate to the goals, objectives, and deliverables identified under "Goals, Objectives, and Deliverables."

Applicants should visit OJP's performance measurement page at <u>www.ojp.gov/performance</u> for an overview of performance measurement activities at OJP.

Award recipients will be required to provide the relevant data by submitting semi-annual performance metrics through OJJDP's online Performance Measurement Tool (PMT), located at <u>https://oipsso.oip.gov/</u>. Applicants should review the complete list of performance measures for this solicitation here: <u>Violence Prevention Initiative Grant</u> <u>Program</u>. Grantees will report data in the program category (Direct Services Prevention, Direct Service Intervention, Systems Improvement) that fits their activities.

The application should demonstrate the applicant's understanding of the performance data reporting requirements for this grant program and detail how the applicant will gather the required data should it receive funding.

Please note that applicants are **not** required to submit performance data with the application. Performance measures information is included as an alert that successful applicants will be required to submit performance data as part of the reporting requirements under an award.

# Note on Project Evaluations

An applicant that proposes to use award funds through this solicitation to conduct project evaluations should follow the guidance under Note on Project Evaluations in the <u>OJP Grant</u> <u>Application Resource Guide</u>.

Please see the <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u> for information on the following:

4. <u>Budget Information and Associated Documentation</u> in the "Budget Preparation and Submission Information" section.

Successful applicants are expected to participate in an up to 3-day cross-site grantee meeting in each year of the project and budget for as many as three representatives to travel to attend these meetings.

- 5. Indirect Cost Rate Agreement
- 6. <u>Tribal Authorizing Resolution</u> (if applicable)
- 7. <u>Financial Management and System of Internal Controls Questionnaire (including applicant disclosure of high-risk status)</u>
- 8. Disclosure of Lobbying Activities
- 9. Applicant Disclosure of Pending Applications
- 10. <u>Applicant Disclosure and Justification DOJ High-Risk Grantees<sup>4</sup> (if applicable)</u>
- 11. Research and Evaluation Independence and Integrity

# 12. Additional Attachments

# a. Documentation of Rural Challenges (if applicable)

As is mentioned above, OJP will give priority consideration in award decisions to applications that address specific challenges that rural communities face. Each applicant proposing to receive priority consideration under the rural priority should provide a sufficient narrative to include what makes the geographic service area rural (using U.S. Census or other appropriate government data), how isolated the area is from needed services, and how it will address specific challenges in rural communities.

b. Documentation of Challenges Related to High-Poverty Areas or Persistent-Poverty Counties (if applicable)

As mentioned above, OJP will give priority consideration in award decisions to applications that demonstrate that the individuals who will benefit from the requested grant reside in high-poverty areas or persistent-poverty counties as defined above.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> A "DOJ High-Risk Grantee" is a recipient that has received a DOJ High-Risk designation based on a documented history of unsatisfactory performance, financial instability, management system or other internal control deficiencies, or noncompliance with award terms and conditions on prior awards, or that is otherwise not responsible.

Each applicant proposing to receive consideration under the High-Poverty Areas or Persistent Poverty Counties priority should provide a sufficient narrative explanation to identify each specific High-Poverty Area (by census tract number(s)) and/or each specific Persistent-Poverty County where individuals are intended to benefit from the requested grant and how the requested grant will address specific challenges in each such identified area and/or county.

# c. Documentation of Enhanced Public Safety in Qualified Opportunity Zones (if applicable)

As is mentioned above, OJP will give priority consideration in award decisions to designated Qualified Opportunity Zones (QOZs). Each applicant proposing to receive priority consideration under the under the Qualified Opportunity Zones priority should provide a sufficient narrative explanation in order for OJP to identify clearly the public safety benefit the applicant anticipates that its project will have on a specified QOZ(s). The narrative and the list of affected QOZs (by census tract number) must be included as an attachment that is clearly labeled as addressing QOZs. The applicant may also include tables, charts, graphs, or other relevant illustrations that may be useful in comprehending the manner in which the proposed project is anticipated to benefit a QOZ(s).

# d. Certifications Regarding Enhancing Criminal Justice and Public Safety through Law-Enforcement-Related Award Conditions (if applicable)

Certification regarding Cooperation with Federal Law Enforcement (if applicable)

As is mentioned above, OJP will give priority consideration in award decisions to State or local government entity applicants that operate at least one correctional facility (as defined at 34 U.S.C. 10251(a)(7)), and agree to comply with award conditions related to cooperation with federal law enforcement, as set forth in Appendix #A. Each such applicant proposing to receive priority consideration for such cooperation with federal law enforcement must sign and submit the certification provided in Appendix #A.

• Certification regarding Noninterference with Federal Law Enforcement (if applicable)

As is mentioned above, OJP will give priority consideration in award decisions to State or local government entity applicants that agree to comply with award conditions related to noninterference with federal law enforcement, as set forth in Appendix #B. Each such applicant proposing to receive priority consideration for such noninterference with federal law enforcement must sign and submit the certification provided in Appendix #B.

• Certification regarding Nondisclosure of Federal Law Enforcement Information (if applicable)

As is mentioned above, OJP will give priority consideration in award decisions to State or local government entity applicants that agree to comply with award conditions related to nondisclosure of federal law-enforcement information, as set forth in Appendix #C. Each such applicant proposing to receive priority consideration for such nondisclosure of law enforcement sensitive information must sign and submit the certification provided in Appendix #C.

- e. Timeline (see page 12)
- f. Job descriptions outlining roles and responsibilities for all key positions
- g. Organizational chart

# How To Apply (Grants.gov)

Applicants must register in and submit applications through <u>Grants.gov</u>, a primary source to find federal funding opportunities and apply for funding. Find information on how to apply in response to this solicitation in the <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u>.

# **Registration and Submission Steps**

Applicants will need the following identifying information when searching for the funding opportunity on Grants.gov.

- 16.123, Community-Based Violence Prevention Program
- OJJDP-2020-17092

This solicitation contains multiple purpose areas, denoted by the individual Competition ID. Select the appropriate Competition ID for the intended purpose area of the application.

Category 1: Intervention: OJJDP-2020-17171 Category 2: Suppression: OJJDP-2020-17172

For information on each registration and submission step, see the <u>OJP Grant Application</u> <u>Resource Guide</u>.

# E. Application Review Information

# **Review Criteria**

Successful applicants will clearly demonstrate a willingness and readiness to implement strategies outlined in the OJJDP Comprehensive Gang Model as part of a community- and datadriven intervention or suppression response to gang-related crime and violence. The selection criteria used by peer reviewers will focus heavily on the applicant's plan and ability to identify data strengths, gaps, and needs. The applicant is encouraged to identify the data partners and the structure for sharing, analyzing, and monitoring data as a collaborative, including the office, team, or individual responsible for ensuring data are available on schedule.

Applications that meet basic minimum requirements will be evaluated by peer reviewers using the following review criteria.

- 1. Statement of the Problem (20%)
- 2. Project Design and Implementation (30%)
- 3. Capabilities and Competencies (30%)
- Plan for Collecting the Data Required for This Solicitation's Performance Measures (10%)
- 5. Budget (10%): complete, cost effective, and allowable (e.g., reasonable, allocable, and necessary for project activities). Budget narratives should demonstrate generally how applicants will maximize cost effectiveness of grant expenditures. Budget narratives

should demonstrate cost effectiveness in relation to potential alternatives and the goals of the project.<sup>5</sup>

## **Review Process**

OJJDP reviews the application to make sure that the information presented is reasonable, understandable, measurable, and achievable, as well as consistent with the solicitation.

The following five paragraphs in this solicitation expressly modify the "Application Review Information" provisions in the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide. An applicant is to follow the guidance in these five paragraphs instead of the guidance stated under the "Application Review Information" heading in the Guide.

Peer reviewers will review the applications submitted under this solicitation that meet basic minimum requirements. For purposes of assessing whether an application meets basic minimum requirements and should proceed to further consideration, OJP screens applications for compliance with those requirements. Although specific requirements may vary, the following are common requirements applicable to all solicitations for funding under OJP programs:

- The application must be submitted by an eligible type of applicant.
- The application must request funding within programmatic funding constraints (if applicable).
- The application must be responsive to the scope of the solicitation.
- The application must include all items necessary to meet the basic minimum requirements.

For a list of the application elements that MUST be included in the application submission in order for an application to meet the basic minimum requirements, see "What an Application Should Include" under Section D. Application and Submission Information.

Peer review panels will evaluate, score, and rate applications that meet basic minimum requirements. OJJDP may use internal peer reviewers, external peer reviewers, or a combination, to assess applications on technical merit using the solicitation's review criteria. An external peer reviewer is an expert in the subject matter of a given solicitation who is not a current DOJ employee. An internal reviewer is a current DOJ employee who is well-versed or has expertise in the subject matter of this solicitation. Peer reviewers' ratings and any resulting recommendations are advisory only, although reviewer views are considered carefully.

Other important considerations for OJJDP include geographic diversity, strategic (programmatic and policy) priorities (specifically including, but not limited to, those mentioned above relating to addressing specific challenges that rural communities face, addressing specific challenges presented by poverty, demonstrable potential enhancement to public safety in one or more federally designated Qualified Opportunity Zones, and enhancing criminal justice and public safety through award conditions regarding cooperation with federal law enforcement, noninterference with federal law enforcement, and/or nondisclosure of federal law enforcement information), available funding, and the extent to which the Budget Detail Worksheet and Budget Narrative accurately explain project costs that are reasonable, necessary, and otherwise allowable under federal law and applicable federal cost principles.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Generally speaking, a reasonable cost is a cost that, in its nature or amount, does not exceed that which would be incurred by a prudent person under the circumstances prevailing at the time the decision was made to incur the costs.

Pursuant to the Part 200 Uniform Requirements, before award decisions are made, OJP also reviews information related to the degree of risk posed by the applicant. Among other things to help assess whether an applicant that has one or more prior federal awards has a satisfactory record with respect to performance, integrity, and business ethics, OJP checks whether the applicant is listed in the System for Award Management (SAM) as excluded from receiving a federal award.

In addition, if OJP anticipates that an award will exceed \$250,000 in federal funds, OJP also must review and consider any information about the applicant that appears in the nonpublic segment of the integrity and performance system accessible through SAM (currently, the Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System, FAPIIS).

**Important note on FAPIIS:** An applicant, at its option, may review and comment on any information about itself that currently appears in FAPIIS and was entered by a federal awarding agency. OJP will consider any such comments by the applicant, in addition to the other information in FAPIIS, in its assessment of the risk posed by the applicant.

Absent explicit statutory authorization or written delegation of authority to the contrary, all final award decisions will be made by the Assistant Attorney General, who may take into account not only peer review ratings and OJJDP recommendations, but also other factors as indicated in this section.

# F. Federal Award Administration Information

Please see the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide for information on the following:

# **Federal Award Notices**

# Administrative, National Policy, and Other Legal Requirements

OJP strongly encourages prospective applicants to review information on post-award legal requirements and common OJP award conditions **prior** to submitting an application.

If selected for funding, in addition to implementing the funded project consistent with the OJPapproved application, the recipient must comply with all award conditions, and all applicable requirements of federal statutes and regulations (including applicable requirements referred to in the assurances and certifications executed in connection with award acceptance).

For additional information on these legal requirements, see the "Administrative, National Policy, and Other Legal Requirements" section in the <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u>.

# Information Technology (IT) Security Clauses

# General Information About Post-Federal Award Reporting Requirements

In addition to the deliverables described in Goals, Objectives, and Deliverables, any recipient of an award under this solicitation will be required to submit certain reports and data.

<u>Required reports</u>. Recipients typically must submit quarterly financial reports, semi-annual progress reports, final financial and progress reports, and, if applicable, an annual audit report in accordance with the Part 200 Uniform Requirements or specific award conditions. Future

awards and fund drawdowns may be withheld if reports are delinquent. (In appropriate cases, OJP may require additional reports.)

See the <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u> for additional information on specific postaward reporting requirements, including performance measures data.

# G. Federal Awarding Agency Contact(s)

For OJP contact(s), see page 2.

For contact information for Grants.gov, see page 2.

# H. Other Information

Please see the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide for information on the following:

Freedom of Information and Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552 and 5 U.S.C. 552a)

Provide Feedback to OJP

# **Appendix A: Application Checklist**

# OJJDP FY 2020 Comprehensive Anti-Gang Programs for Youth

This application checklist has been created as an aid in developing an application.

# What an Applicant Should Do:

# Prior to Registering in Grants.gov:

□ Acquire a DUNS Number (see OJP Grant Application Resource Guide) Acquire or renew registration with SAM (see OJP Grant Application Resource Guide) To Register with Grants.gov. □ Acquire AOR and Grants.gov username/password (see OJP Grant Application **Resource Guide**) □ Acquire AOR confirmation from the E-Biz POC (see OJP Grant Application **Resource Guide**) To Find Funding Opportunity: Search for the Funding Opportunity on Grants.gov (see OJP Grant Application **Resource Guide**) Select the correct Competition ID (see page 15) Access Funding Opportunity and Application Package (see OJP Grant Application) **Resource Guide**) □ Sign up for Grants.gov email notifications (optional) (see OJP Grant Application **Resource Guide**) Read Important Notice: Applying for Grants in Grants.gov Read OJP policy and guidance on conference approval, planning, and reporting available at ojp.gov/financialguide/DOJ/PostawardRequirements/chapter3.10a.htm

(see OJP Grant Application Resource Guide)

After Application Submission, Receive Grants.gov Email Notifications That:

- □ (1) Application has been received
- (2) Application has either been successfully validated or rejected with errors (see <u>OJP</u> <u>Grant Application Resource Guide</u>)

If No Grants.gov Receipt, and Validation or Error Notifications Are Received:

 Contact the Response Center regarding experiencing technical difficulties (see <u>OJP</u> <u>Grant Application Resource Guide</u>)

# **Overview of Post-Award Legal Requirements:**

Review the <u>"Overview of Legal Requirements Generally Applicable to OJP Grants and Cooperative Agreements - FY 2020 Awards</u>" in the <u>OJP Funding Resource Center</u>.

# Scope Requirement:

□ The federal amount requested is within the allowable limit(s) of \$500,000 for Category 1 (Intervention) and \$230,000 for Category 2 (Suppression).

# **Eligibility Requirement:**

- states and territories,
- units of local government,<sup>6</sup>
- federally recognized Indian tribal governments,
- nonprofit organizations<sup>7</sup> (including tribal nonprofit organizations), and
- institutions of higher education (including tribal institutions of higher education).

# What an Application Should Include:

The following items are critical application elements required to pass basic minimum requirements review. An application that OJP determines does not include the application elements that must be included in the application submission in order for the application to meet the basic minimum requirements will neither proceed to peer review nor receive further consideration.

- Program Narrative
- Budget Detail Worksheet and Narrative <u>Resource Guide</u>)

(see page 11) (see <u>OJP Grant Application</u>

- Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424) (see <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u>)
- Project Abstract

(see page 10)

- Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (if applicable) (see <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u>)
- Financial Management and System of Internal Controls Questionnaire (see <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u>)
- <u>Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (SF-LLL)</u> (see <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u>)
- Applicant Disclosure of Pending Applications (see <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u>)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> A "unit of local government" means—

<sup>(</sup>a) Any city, county, township, town, borough, parish, village, or other general purpose political subdivision of a state.
(b) Any law enforcement district or judicial enforcement district that—

<sup>(</sup>i) Is established under applicable state law, and

<sup>(</sup>ii) Has the authority to, in a manner independent of other state entities, establish a budget and impose taxes.

<sup>(</sup>c) For the purposes of assistance eligibility, any agency of the government of the District of Columbia or the federal government that performs law enforcement functions in and for—

<sup>(</sup>i) The District of Columbia, or

<sup>(</sup>ii) Any Trust Territory of the United States.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> See <u>oip.gov/funding/Explore/SolicitationRequirements/OrganizationalRequirements.htm</u> for additional information on demonstrating nonprofit status

- Applicant Disclosure and Justification DOJ High Risk Grantees (if applicable) (see <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u>)
- Research and Evaluation Independence and Integrity (if research/evaluation are proposed by applicant) (see <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u>)
- Tribal Authorizing Resolution (if applicable) (see <u>OJP Application Resource Guide)</u>

Additional Attachments:

- Request and Justification for Employee Compensation; Waiver (if applicable) (see <u>OJP Grant Application Resource Guide</u>)
- Documentation of rural challenges (if applicable)
- Documentation of challenges related to poverty (if applicable)
- Documentation of enhanced public safety in federally designated Qualified Opportunity Zones (if applicable)
- □ Certifications regarding enhancing criminal justice and public safety through lawenforcement-related award conditions (if applicable)
  - Certification regarding Cooperation with Federal Law Enforcement (if applicable)
  - Certification regarding Noninterference with Federal Law Enforcement (if applicable)
  - Certification regarding Nondisclosure of Federal Law-Enforcement Information (if applicable)
- Timeline (see page 12)
  Position descriptions (see page 12)
  Organizational chart (see page 12)

# **APPENDIX B**

## **Certification regarding Cooperation**

## with Federal Law Enforcement

I am an authorized official of the State or local government applicant entity named below and I have the authority to make this certification on behalf of the applicant. I understand that the Department will rely upon this certification as a material representation in any decision regarding an award to the applicant. On behalf of the State or local government applicant named below, and in order to receive priority consideration for its application, I certify to the Office of Justice Programs ("OJP"), U.S. Department of Justice ("USDOJ"), the following:

- The State or local government applicant entity named below operates at least one correctional facility (that is, operates at least one "place for the confinement or rehabilitation of offenders or individuals charged with or convicted of criminal offenses" (34 U.S.C. 10251(a)(7))).
- 2. The applicant agrees to comply with the following four award conditions (or conditions substantially to the same effect) if it is selected to receive an award made by OJP under this solicitation:

# CONDITION 1: Noninterference (within the funded "program or activity") with federal law enforcement: Interrogation of certain aliens

SCOPE. This condition applies with respect to the "program or activity" that is funded (in whole or in part) by this award, as of the date the recipient accepts this award, and throughout the remainder of the period of performance for the award. Its provisions must be among those included in any subaward (at any tier).

1. Noninterference with statutory law enforcement access to correctional facilities

Consonant with federal law enforcement statutes and regulations -- including 8 U.S.C. 1357(a), under which certain federal officers and employees "have power without warrant ... to interrogate any alien or person believed to be an alien as to his right to be or to remain in the United States," and 8 C.F.R. 287.5(a), under which that power may be exercised "anywhere in or outside the United States" -- within the funded program or activity, no State or local government entity, -agency, or -official may interfere with the exercise of that power to interrogate "without warrant" (by agents of the United States acting under color of federal law) by impeding access to any State or local government (or government-contracted) correctional facility by such agents for the purpose of "interrogate[ing] any alien or person believed to be an alien as to his [or her] right to be or to remain in the United States."

#### 2. Monitoring

The recipient's monitoring responsibilities include monitoring of subrecipient compliance with this condition.

#### 3. Allowable costs

To the extent that such costs are not reimbursed under any other federal program, award funds may be obligated for the reasonable, necessary, and allocable costs (if any) of actions (e.g., training) designed to ensure compliance with this condition.

4. Rules of construction

A. For purposes of this condition:

(1) The term "alien" means what it means under section 101 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) (see 8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(3)), except that, with respect to a juvenile offender, it means "criminal alien."

(2) The term "juvenile offender" means what it means under 28 C.F.R. 31.304(f) (as in effect on Jan. 1, 2020).

(3) The term "criminal alien" means, with respect to a juvenile offender, an alien who is deportable on the basis of—

(a) conviction described in section 237(a)(2) of the INA (see 8 U.S.C. 1227(a)(2)), or

(b) conduct described in section 237(a)(4) of the INA (see 8 U.S.C. 1227(a)(4)).

(4) The term "conviction" means what it means under section 101 of the INA (see 8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(48)). (Adjudication of a juvenile as having committed an offense does not constitute "conviction" for purposes of this condition.)

(5) The term "correctional facility" means what it means under the title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (see 34 U.S.C. 10251(a)(7)) as of January 1, 2020.

(6) The term "impede" includes taking or continuing any action, or implementing or maintaining any law, policy, rule, or practice, that—

(a) is designed to prevent or to significantly delay or complicate, or

(b) has the effect of preventing or of significantly delaying or complicating.

(7) "State" and "local government" include any agency or other entity thereof (including any public institution of higher education), but not any Indian tribe.

(8) A "public" institution of higher education is defined as one that is owned, controlled, or directly funded (in whole or in substantial part) by a State or local government. (Such a public institution is considered to be a "government entity," and its officials to be "government officials.")

(9) "Program or activity" means what it means under title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (see 42 U.S.C. 2000d-4a).

B. Nothing in this condition shall be understood to authorize or require any recipient, any subrecipient at any tier, any State or local government, any public institution of higher education, or any other entity (or individual) to violate any federal law, including any applicable civil rights or nondiscrimination law.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Any questions about the meaning or scope of this condition should be directed to OJP, before award acceptance.

# CONDITION 2: No use of funds to interfere with federal law enforcement: Interrogation of certain aliens

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Consonant with federal law enforcement statutes and regulations -- including 8 U.S.C. 1357(a), under which certain federal officers and employees "have power without warrant ... to interrogate any alien or person believed to be an alien as to his right to be or to remain in the United States," and 8 C.F.R. 287.5(a), under which that power may be exercised "anywhere in or outside the United States" -- no State or local government entity, -agency, or -official may use funds under this award to interfere with the exercise of that power to interrogate "without warrant" (by agents of the United States acting under color of federal law) by impeding access to any State or local government (or government-contracted) correctional facility by such agents for the purpose of "interrogat[ing] any alien or person believed to be an alien as to his [or her] right to be or to remain in the United States."

#### 2. Monitoring

The recipient's monitoring responsibilities include monitoring of subrecipient compliance with this condition.

### 3. Allowable costs

To the extent that such costs are not reimbursed under any other federal program, award funds may be obligated for the reasonable, necessary, and allocable costs (if any) of actions (e.g., training) designed to ensure compliance with this condition.

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(9) "Program or activity" means what it means under title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (see 42 U.S.C. 2000d-4a).

B. Nothing in this condition shall be understood to authorize or require any recipient, any subrecipient at any tier, any State or local government, any public institution of higher education, or any other entity (or individual) to violate any federal law, including any applicable civil rights or nondiscrimination law.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Any questions about the meaning or scope of this condition should be directed to OJP, before award acceptance.

# CONDITION 3: Noninterference (within the funded "program or activity") with federal law enforcement: Notice of scheduled release

SCOPE. This condition applies with respect to the "program or activity" that is funded (in whole or in part) by the award, as of the date the recipient accepts the award, and throughout the remainder of the period of performance. Its provisions must be among those included in any subaward at any tier.

1. Noninterference with "removal" process: Notice of scheduled release date and time

Consonant with federal law enforcement statutes -- including 8 U.S.C. 1231 (for an alien incarcerated by a State or local government, a 90-day "removal period" during which the federal government "shall" detain and then "shall" remove an alien from the U.S. "begins" no later than "the date the alien is released from ... confinement"; also, the federal government is expressly authorized to make payments to a "State or a political subdivision of the State ... with respect to the incarceration of [an] undocumented criminal alien"); 8 U.S.C. 1226 (the federal government

"shall take into custody" certain criminal aliens "when the alien is released"); and 8 U.S.C. 1366 (requiring an annual report to Congress on "the number of illegal alien[felons] in Federal and State prisons" and programs underway "to ensure the prompt removal" from the U.S. of removable "criminal aliens") -- within the funded program or activity, no State or local government entity, -agency, or -official (including a government-contracted correctional facility) may interfere with the "removal" process by failing to provide -- as early as practicable (see para. 4.C. below) -- advance notice to DHS of the scheduled release date and time for a particular alien, if a State or local government (or government-contracted) correctional facility receives from DHS a formal written request pursuant to the INA that seeks such advance notice.

# 2. Monitoring

The recipient's monitoring responsibilities include monitoring of subrecipient compliance with this condition.

## 3. Allowable costs

To the extent that such costs are not reimbursed under any other federal program, award funds may be obligated for the reasonable, necessary, and allocable costs (if any) of actions (e.g., training) designed to ensure compliance with this condition.

## 4. Rules of construction

A. Nothing in this condition shall be understood to authorize or require any recipient, any subrecipient at any tier, any State or local government, or any other entity or individual to maintain (or detain) any individual in custody beyond the date and time the individual otherwise would have been released.

# B. Applicability

(1) Current DHS practice is ordinarily to request advance notice of scheduled release "as early as practicable (at least 48 hours, if possible)." (See DHS Form I-247A (3/17)). If (e.g., in light of the date DHS made such request) the scheduled release date and time for an alien are such as not to allow for the advance notice that DHS has requested, it shall NOT be a violation of this condition to provide only as much advance notice as practicable.

(2) Current DHS practice is to use the same form for a second, distinct purpose -- to request that an individual be detained for up to 48 hours AFTER the scheduled release. This condition does NOT encompass such DHS requests for detention.

C. Both the "Rules of Construction" and the "Important Note" set out in the "Noninterference (within the funded "program or activity") with federal law enforcement: Interrogation of certain aliens" award condition are incorporated by reference as though set forth here in full.

# CONDITION 4: No use of funds to interfere with federal law enforcement: Notice of scheduled release

SCOPE. This condition applies as of the date the recipient accepts the award, and throughout the remainder of the period of performance. Its provisions must be among those included in any subaward at any tier.

1. No use of funds to interfere with "removal" process: Notice of scheduled release date and time

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# 2. Monitoring

The recipient's monitoring responsibilities include monitoring of subrecipient compliance with this condition.

## 3. Allowable costs

To the extent that such costs are not reimbursed under any other federal program, award funds may be obligated for the reasonable, necessary, and allocable costs (if any) of actions (e.g., training) designed to ensure compliance with this condition.

### 4. Rules of construction

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Signature

Date

Printed Name

Title

Name of State or Local Government Applicant Entity

# **APPENDIX C**

## Certification regarding Noninterference with Federal Law Enforcement

I am an authorized official of the State or local government applicant entity named below and I have the authority to make this certification on behalf of the applicant. I understand that the Department will rely upon this certification as a material representation in any decision regarding an award to the applicant. On behalf of the State or local government applicant named below, and in order to receive priority consideration for its application, I certify to the Office of Justice Programs ("OJP"), U.S. Department of Justice ("USDOJ"), the following:

The applicant agrees to comply with the following four award conditions (or conditions substantially to the same effect) if it is selected to receive an award made by OJP under this solicitation:

# CONDITION 1: Noninterference (within the funded "program or activity") with federal law enforcement: information-communication restrictions; ongoing compliance

1. With respect to the "program or activity" funded in whole or part under this award (including any such program or activity of any subrecipient at any tier), throughout the period of performance, no State or local government entity, -agency, or -official may prohibit or in any way restrict-- (1) any government entity or -official from sending or receiving information regarding citizenship or immigration status to/from DHS; or (2) a government entity or -agency from sending, requesting or receiving, or exchanging information regarding immigration status to/from/with DHS, or from maintaining such information. Any prohibition (or restriction) that violates this condition is an "information-communication restriction" under this award.

2. The recipient's monitoring responsibilities include monitoring of subrecipient compliance with the requirements of this condition.

3. Allowable costs. Compliance with these requirements is an authorized and priority purpose of this award. To the extent that such costs are not reimbursed under any other federal program, award funds may be obligated for the reasonable, necessary, and allocable costs (if any) that the recipient, or any subrecipient at any tier that is a State, a local government, or a public institution of higher education, incurs to implement this condition.

4. Rules of Construction

A. For purposes of this condition:

(1) "State" and "local government" include any agency or other entity thereof (including any public institution of higher education), but not any Indian tribe.

(2) A "public" institution of higher education is defined as one that is owned, controlled, or directly funded (in whole or in substantial part) by a State or local government. (Such a public institution is considered to be a "government entity," and its officials to be "government officials.")

(3) "Program or activity" means what it means under title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (see 42 U.S.C. 2000d-4a).

(4) "Immigration status" means what it means under 8 U.S.C. 1373 and 8 U.S.C. 1644; and terms that are defined in 8 U.S.C. 1101 mean what they mean under that section 1101, except that "State" also includes American Samoa.

(5) "DHS" means the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

B. Nothing in this condition shall be understood to authorize or require any recipient, any subrecipient at any tier, any State or local government, any public institution of higher education, or any other entity (or individual) to violate any federal law, including any applicable civil rights or nondiscrimination law.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Any questions about the meaning or scope of this condition should be directed to OJP, before award acceptance.

# CONDITION 2: No use of funds to interfere with federal law enforcement: informationcommunication restrictions; ongoing compliance

1. Throughout the period of performance, no State or local government entity, -agency, or official may use funds under this award (including under any subaward, at any tier) to prohibit or in any way restrict-- (1) any government entity or -official from sending or receiving information regarding citizenship or immigration status to/from DHS; or (2) a government entity or -agency from sending, requesting or receiving, or exchanging information regarding immigration status to/from/with DHS, or from maintaining such information. Any prohibition (or restriction) that violates this condition is an "information-communication restriction" under this award.

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(3) "Program or activity" means what it means under title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (see 42 U.S.C. 2000d-4a).

(4) "Immigration status" means what it means under 8 U.S.C. 1373 and 8 U.S.C. 1644; and terms that are defined in 8 U.S.C. 1101 mean what they mean under that section 1101, except that "State" also includes American Samoa.

(5) "DHS" means the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

B. Nothing in this condition shall be understood to authorize or require any recipient, any subrecipient at any tier, any State or local government, any public institution of higher education, or any other entity (or individual) to violate any federal law, including any applicable civil rights or nondiscrimination law.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Any questions about the meaning or scope of this condition should be directed to OJP, before award acceptance.

# CONDITION 3: Authority to obligate award funds contingent on noninterference (within the funded "program or activity") with federal law enforcement: information-communication restrictions; unallowable costs; notification

1. If the recipient is a "State," a local government, or a "public" institution of higher education:

A. The recipient may not obligate award funds if, at the time of the obligation, the "program or activity" of the recipient (or of any subrecipient at any tier that is a State, a local government, or a public institution of higher education) that is funded in whole or in part with award funds is subject to any "information-communication restriction."

B. In addition, with respect to any project costs it incurs "at risk," the recipient may not obligate award funds to reimburse itself if -- at the time it incurs such costs -- the program or activity of the recipient (or of any subrecipient at any tier that is a State, a local government, or a public institution of higher education) that would be reimbursed in whole or in part with award funds was subject to any information-communication restriction.

C. Any drawdown of award funds by the recipient shall be considered, for all purposes, to be a material representation by the recipient to OJP that, as of the date the recipient requests the drawdown, the recipient and each subrecipient (regardless of tier) that is a State, local government, or public institution of higher education, is in compliance with the award condition entitled "Noninterference (within the funded 'program or activity') with federal law enforcement: information-communication restrictions; ongoing compliance."

D. The recipient must promptly notify OJP (in writing) if the recipient, from its requisite monitoring of compliance with award conditions or otherwise, has credible evidence that indicates that the funded program or activity of the recipient, or of any subrecipient at any tier that is either a State or a local government or a public institution of higher education, may be subject to any information-communication restriction. In addition, any subaward (at any tier) to a subrecipient that is a State, a local government, or a public institution of higher education must require prompt notification to the entity that made the subaward, should the subrecipient have such credible evidence regarding an information-communication restriction.

2. Any subaward (at any tier) to a subrecipient that is a State, a local government, or a public institution of higher education must provide that the subrecipient may not obligate award funds if, at the time of the obligation, the program or activity of the subrecipient (or of any further such

subrecipient at any tier) that is funded in whole or in part with award funds is subject to any information-communication restriction.

3. Absent an express written determination by DOJ to the contrary, based upon a finding by DOJ of compelling circumstances (e.g., a small amount of award funds obligated by the recipient at the time of a subrecipient's minor and transitory non-compliance, which was unknown to the recipient despite diligent monitoring), any obligations of award funds that, under this condition, may not be made shall be unallowable costs for purposes of this award. In making any such determination, DOJ will give great weight to evidence submitted by the recipient that demonstrates diligent monitoring of subrecipient compliance with the requirements set out in the "Noninterference ... information-communication restrictions; ongoing compliance" award condition.

# 4. Rules of Construction

A. For purposes of this condition "information-communication restriction" has the meaning set out in the "Noninterference ... information-communication restrictions; ongoing compliance" condition.

B. Both the "Rules of Construction" and the "Important Note" set out in the "Noninterference ... information-communication restrictions; ongoing compliance" condition are incorporated by reference as though set forth here in full.

# CONDITION 4: Authority to obligate award funds contingent on no use of funds to interfere with federal law enforcement: information-communication restrictions; unallowable costs; notification

1. If the recipient is a "State," a local government, or a "public" institution of higher education:

A. The recipient may not obligate award funds if, at the time of the obligation, the "program or activity" of the recipient (or of any subrecipient at any tier that is a State, a local government, or a public institution of higher education) that is funded in whole or in part with award funds is subject to any "information-communication restriction."

B. In addition, with respect to any project costs it incurs "at risk," the recipient may not obligate award funds to reimburse itself if -- at the time it incurs such costs -- the program or activity of the recipient (or of any subrecipient at any tier that is a State, a local government, or a public institution of higher education) that would be reimbursed in whole or in part with award funds was subject to any information-communication restriction.

C. Any drawdown of award funds by the recipient shall be considered, for all purposes, to be a material representation by the recipient to OJP that, as of the date the recipient requests the drawdown, the recipient and each subrecipient (regardless of tier) that is a State, local government, or public institution of higher education, is in compliance with the award condition entitled "No use of funds to interfere with federal law enforcement: information-communication restrictions; ongoing compliance."

D. The recipient must promptly notify OJP (in writing) if the recipient, from its requisite monitoring of compliance with award conditions or otherwise, has credible evidence that indicates that the funded program or activity of the recipient, or of any subrecipient at any tier that is either a State or a local government or a public institution of higher education, may be

subject to any information-communication restriction. In addition, any subaward (at any tier) to a subrecipient that is a State, a local government, or a public institution of higher education must require prompt notification to the entity that made the subaward, should the subrecipient have such credible evidence regarding an information-communication restriction.

2. Any subaward (at any tier) to a subrecipient that is a State, a local government, or a public institution of higher education must provide that the subrecipient may not obligate award funds if, at the time of the obligation, the program or activity of the subrecipient (or of any further such subrecipient at any tier) that is funded in whole or in part with award funds is subject to any information-communication restriction.

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Signature

Date

Printed Name

Title

Name of State or Local Government Applicant Entity

# APPENDIX D

# Certification regarding Nondisclosure of Federal Law-Enforcement Information

I am an authorized official of the State or local government applicant entity named below and I have the authority to make this certification on behalf of the applicant. I understand that the Department will rely upon this certification as a material representation in any decision regarding an award to the applicant. On behalf of the State or local government applicant named below, and in order to receive priority consideration for its application, I certify to the Office of Justice Programs ("OJP"), U.S. Department of Justice ("USDOJ"), the following:

The applicant agrees to comply with the following two award conditions (or conditions substantially to the same effect) if it is selected to receive an award made by OJP under this solicitation:

# CONDITION 1: Noninterference (within the funded "program or activity") with federal law enforcement: No public disclosure of certain law-enforcement-sensitive information

SCOPE. This condition applies with respect to the "program or activity" that is funded (in whole or in part) by the award, as of the date the recipient accepts this award, and throughout the remainder of the period of performance. Its provisions must be among those included in any subaward (at any tier).

1. Noninterference: No public disclosure of federal law-enforcement information in order to conceal, harbor, or shield

Consistent with the purposes and objectives of federal law enforcement statutes and federal criminal law (including 8 U.S.C. 1324 and 18 U.S.C. chs. 1, 49, 227), no public disclosure may be made of any federal law-enforcement information in a direct or indirect attempt to conceal, harbor, or shield from detection any fugitive from justice under 18 U.S.C. ch. 49, or any alien who has come to, entered, or remains in the United States in violation of 8 U.S.C. ch. 12 -- without regard to whether such disclosure would constitute (or could form a predicate for) a violation of 18 U.S.C. 1071 or 1072 or of 8 U.S.C. 1324(a).

#### 2. Monitoring

The recipient's monitoring responsibilities include monitoring of subrecipient compliance with this condition.

#### 3. Allowable costs

To the extent that such costs are not reimbursed under any other federal program, award funds may be obligated for the reasonable, necessary, and allocable costs (if any) of actions (e.g., training) designed to ensure compliance with this condition.

- 4. Rules of construction
- A. For purposes of this condition--

(1) the term "alien" means what it means under section 101 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (see 8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(3));

(2) the term "federal law-enforcement information" means law-enforcement-sensitive information communicated or made available, by the federal government, to a State or local government entity, -agency, or -official, through any means, including, without limitation-- (1) through any database, (2) in connection with any law enforcement partnership or -task-force, (3) in connection with any request for law enforcement assistance or -cooperation, or (4) through any deconfliction (or courtesy) notice of planned, imminent, commencing, continuing, or impending federal law enforcement activity;

(3) the term "law-enforcement-sensitive information" means records or information compiled for any law-enforcement purpose; and

(4) the term "public disclosure" means any communication or release other than one-- (a) within the recipient, or (b) to any subrecipient (at any tier) that is a government entity.

B. Both the "Rules of Construction" and the "Important Note" set out in the "Noninterference (within the funded "program or activity") with federal law enforcement: informationcommunication restrictions; ongoing compliance" award condition are incorporated by reference as though set forth here in full.

# CONDITION 2: No use of funds to interfere with federal law enforcement: No public disclosure of certain law-enforcement-sensitive information

SCOPE. This condition applies as of the date the recipient accepts this award, and throughout the remainder of the period of performance. Its provisions must be among those included in any subaward (at any tier).

1. No use of funds to interfere: No public disclosure of federal law-enforcement information in order to conceal, harbor, or shield

Consistent with the purposes and objectives of federal law enforcement statutes and federal criminal law (including 8 U.S.C. 1324 and 18 U.S.C. chs. 1, 49, 227), no funds under this award may be used to make any public disclosure of any federal law-enforcement information in a direct or indirect attempt to conceal, harbor, or shield from detection any fugitive from justice under 18 U.S.C. ch. 49, or any alien who has come to, entered, or remains in the United States in violation of 8 U.S.C. ch. 12 -- without regard to whether such disclosure would constitute (or could form a predicate for) a violation of 18 U.S.C. 1071 or 1072 or of 8 U.S.C. 1324(a).

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