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Thank you for following our monthly Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) Training and Technical Assistance (TTA) bulletin. The monthly bulletin highlights TTA and resources provided to PSN teams and local law enforcement agencies. TTA requests can be made online here. If you have questions regarding TTA, please contact your regional TTA liaison or the PSN TTA team at psntta@cna.org.

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PSN TTA RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT: TACKLING YOUTH VIOLENCE WEBINAR

This session was recorded during the BJA's 2022 PSN National Summit to Reduce Crime and Strengthen Communities.

The session features multiple perspectives from the criminal justice system, with panelists from the Organized Crime and Gang Section of the US Department of Justice; representatives from the US Attorney Offices of the Western District of Pennsylvania and the District of Maine; California State University-Los Angeles; the Cook County, Illinois, State's Attorney's Office; and My Daddy Taught Me That, a youth development program.

Watch the Tackling Youth Violence webinar here!









OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS YOUTH VIOLENCE SPECIAL FEATURE

At the end of April, the US Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs (OJP) released a special feature on youth violence. Read a portion of the feature below which includes a resource list and link to the full monthly feature:

The term "youth violence" covers a broad spectrum of behaviors that can include fighting, bullying, and gang-related violence. Exposure to violence as a child can cause emotional and physical harm, including negative impacts on health and well-being that can follow a child into adulthood.

Youth violence and its diverse ramifications have long been a major challenge for American police officers, school staff, and municipal leaders. Preventing youth violence is a critical issue for many communities across the country.

Following are some topical resources:

- Indicators of School Crime and Safety
- <u>Deterring Violence with Opportunity</u>
- OJP Leadership Visit to Lowell, Massachusetts, to Announce Community Violence Intervention Grants
- Model Programs Guide
- Preventing Youth Victimization and Violence
- The Causes and Consequences of School Violence: A Review

ACCESS THE FULL FEATURE HERE!

WEBINARS

Commercially
Sexually Exploited
Youth and the
Juvenile Justice
System: Raising
Awareness for
Juvenile
Prosecutors
Date: June 18, 3:00–
4:15 p.m. ET
Registration Link

Ask the Expert:
Community
Response and Its
Place in the Crisis
Continuum
Date: June 25, 2:00–
3:30 p.m. ET
Registration link

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GRANTS SPOTLIGHT BY JOAN BRODY: FY 2024 GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

Dear Grant Seekers,

June has arrived, and hopefully you can see the light at the end of the tunnel. There may still be a few new grant solicitations released during the next month, but the end of the FY 2024 grant season is near! This is actually my favorite point in the grant season because by this time, I've already submitted a few grant applications and I feel like I'm in the groove. If you are a "doer" like me, you probably also love this time of year because you can move beyond talking about upcoming request for proposals and get to work on a live solicitation. And if you have been strategic and proactive in your FY 2024 grant seeking, you may even have some proposals ready to go. Here are three grant solicitations that I wanted to highlight as you push on to the end:

1. FY24 Intellectual Property Enforcement Program: Protecting Public Health, Safety, and the Economy from Counterfeit Goods and Product Piracy: This one is due soon, but you can do it! The Grants.gov deadline is June 12, 2024, and the JustGrants deadline is June 20, 2024. This grant is often overlooked because law enforcement agencies don't always realize that intellectual property could involve online counterfeit goods that support criminal enterprises (i.e., gangs, organized crime, etc.). This means that you could get grant funding to support needs like overtime for your gang unit or for detectives investigating counterfeit pharmaceuticals. Please don't let the task force requirement in this grant program throw you. Tasks forces can be simple or complex. Make it work for your agency and look at abstracts from last year's winners to learn who and what was funded. Just scroll down this page for the FY 2023 solicitation.

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- 2. FY24 Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use Site-Based Program: Due in Grants.gov on July 1, 2024, and in JustGrants on July 8, 2024. This grant program is also often overlooked because it seems complicated. It's really just a grant program to enable you and other government entities, community providers, and research partners to collaborate to address gaps in addressing the opioid and other drug epidemic. Even if you don't want to lead this grant, think about someone in your community who could oversee it and have them include you in their proposal. Awards top \$1 million.
- 3. As I write this June 2024 newsletter, the BJA FY24 Local Law Enforcement Crime Gun Intelligence Center (CGIC) Integration Initiative solicitation has not yet been released. I keep checking the OJP's Current Funding Opportunities webpage for updates, and I anticipate that once released, it will be due in late July or early August 2024. This grant will let you "utilize intelligence, technology, and community engagement to swiftly identify unlawfully used firearms and their sources, and effectively prosecute perpetrators engaged in violent crime. Although police departments are the primary applicants for this grant, they are required to partner with their local prosecutors, who are part of the CGIC teams." In a nutshell, this grant will help you fund needs or gaps from the time when shots were first fired through case closure. And this grant lets you support technology, which tends to be underfunded in almost everyone's budget.

Good luck and please reach out with any questions regarding these or other grants.

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