

PSN TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Monthly Newsletter



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 SPOTLIGHT: US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE PROGRAM AWARDS

In October 2024, the US Department of Justice announced that it awarded \$4 billion to bolster public safety initiatives supporting five justice priorities: 1) promoting safety and strengthening trust, 2) accelerating justice system reforms, 3) improving the fairness and effectiveness of the juvenile justice system, 4) expanding access to victim services, and 5) advancing science and innovation.

[To read more about the 3,800 different programs that are being funded, click here.](#)



OCTOBER YOUTH VIOLENT CRIME WEBINAR SERIES RECORDINGS AVAILABLE

Last month, the National District Attorneys Association hosted a Youth Violent Crime webinar series in conjunction with PSN TTA. The recordings from each week are now available on the YouTube page. Explore the topics from each week:

Week 1: Understanding the Current Data and the Adolescent Brain

- Presentations include the following:
 - Crimes Involving Youth, Trends, and Data: What Does the Research Say About Youth and Crime?
 - Understanding the Adolescent Brain and Its Place in Crime Reduction Efforts
- [Watch the full video here!](#)

Week 2: The Importance of Prevention and Early Intervention

- Presentations include the following:
 - Upstream Prevention as a Tool for Reducing Violence
 - Early Intervention
- [Watch the full video here!](#)

Week 3: Reduction and Diversion Strategies

- Presentations include the following:
 - The Importance of Collaboration in Youth Crime Reduction Efforts
 - Community Violence Intervention: The Newark Community Street Team
- [Watch the full video here!](#)



GRANTS SPOTLIGHT BY JOAN BRODY: FIVE-PART GRANTS WEBINAR SERIES

Dear Grant Seekers,

Yes, it's November already and the fiscal year (FY) 2025 grant season is just around the corner. You may be sick and tired of hearing me talk about being proactive and strategic, but I keep repeating this mantra because it will help you acquire more grant funding with less stress. If you can pinpoint your agency's priorities now, and start preparing your approach and proposal in advance, when the relevant grant solicitation drops, you will have already done the heavy lifting. It will be a piece of cake to write and submit your application.

Below, I am including links to a short and sweet tutorial about how to develop a “grant strategy”, which is just a fancy name for a wish list. Your grant strategy will help you answer the most common question I ask grantees “What do you want to buy?” Everyone wants funding, but delving into the details of what you want to buy—and why—is foundational to successful grant seeking.

For help developing your FY 2025 grant strategy, I encourage you to watch or re-watch the on-demand video series that I helped create a few years back for PSN.



GRANTS SPOTLIGHT, CONTINUED

The Five-Part Grants Webinar Series includes the following topics:

- 1) [Grants 101](#) - A grant primer that will be a welcome introduction for agencies new to grant funding and a refresher for those with existing grant knowledge and experience
- 2) [Grant Strategy Development](#) - A presentation and discussion of proactive and strategic steps to prepare for the grant season
- 3) [Matching Funding Needs to Current and Forthcoming Grants](#) - Materials and guidance for learning about forthcoming public grant opportunities and researching private funding
- 4) [Grant-Writing Steps](#) - Presentation on how to start a grant application, including strategies for identifying grant writers, research partners, and grant proposal writing tips
- 5) [Grant Award Implementation](#) - Tips for effectively and efficiently implementing grant awards

[To learn more about other TTA opportunities available through PSN TTA, click here!](#)

Please let me know if you have any questions.

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WEBINARS

Rural Youth and Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)
Date: November 6,
1:00–2:30 p.m. EST
[Registration Link](#)

Sustained Recovery: Don't Make Aftercare an Afterthought
Date: November 12,
2:00–3:30 p.m. EST
[Registration Link](#)

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