

Project Abstract



Part 1: Please identify the applicant point of contact (POC)

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Part 2: Please identify the application

Application Information	
Solicitation Name	FY13 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation
Project Title	FY13 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) - State of New Jersey
Proposed Start Date	October 1, 2012
Proposed End Date	September 30, 2016
Funding Amount Requested	\$4,403,287

Part 3: Please identify the project location and applicant type

Project Location and Applicant Type	
Project Location (City, State)	Statewide
Applicant Type (Tribal Nation, State, County, City, Nonprofit, Other)	State



Part 4: Please provide a project abstract

Enter additional project abstract information. Unless otherwise specified in the solicitation, this information includes:

- Brief description of the problem to be addressed and target area and population
- Project goals and objectives
- Brief statement of project strategy or overall program
- Description of any significant partnerships
- Anticipated outcomes and major deliverables

Text should be single spaced; do not exceed 400 words.

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Problem: New Jersey has experienced a high volume of violent crime in many of its urban areas. Gangs that had been rooted in a city or region of the State continue to expand their turf, causing an increase in shootings and violent crimes. These gangs, fueled by the revenues of drug distribution and armed with illegally obtained guns, have threatened the safety of our residents and the vitality of our cities and towns.

Goals: To reduce violent crime, keep communities safe, provide criminal justice resources, and improve data sharing capabilities and efficiencies among criminal justice agencies.

Description of Strategies to Be Used:

JAG 2013 funds will provide resources, when there is no other available funding, to support local and State criminal justice agencies such as technology, personnel, equipment and training. Locally collected crime data will guide law enforcement initiatives including:

- 21 County Prosecutor Gang, Gun, and Narcotics Task Forces,
- New Jersey State Police Organized Crime, Gangs, Guns & Narcotics Task Force,
- Division of Criminal Justice's Multi-Jurisdictional Gangs, Guns & Narcotics Task Force,
- Major Events Domain Awareness Package, and
- Enhancements to justice information systems.

New Jersey's strategic plan focuses on investigations and prosecutions as critical components to addressing violent crime. New Jersey is on the forefront of using intelligence-led, data-driven policing strategies to deploy limited policing resources. Intelligence-led programming will be vetted by the State information fusion center for analysis to deploy limited resources and develop effective strategies to prevent and control crime.

Local communities, in coordination with local law enforcement, are engaged in the planning process. The crime data from the local communities is collected and analyzed to support New Jersey's crime prevention strategies and funding priorities. JAG prevention programs focus on giving local communities the tools to analyze crime data and the flexibility to implement crime prevention projects to address the specialized needs of their neighborhoods. Through local law enforcement, community members focus on crime data in their neighborhoods, which leads to effective prevention and delinquency programming.

Project Identifiers	JAG Program Areas
1 Task Forces	Law Enforcement
2 Gangs	Law Enforcement
3 Prosecution	Prosecutors & Courts
4 Justice Information Sharing	Program Planning, Evaluation and Technology
5 Equipment - General	Law Enforcement, Evaluation and Technology
6 Equipment - Tactical	Law Enforcement
7 Data Sharing/Linkage	Program Planning
8 Community Prosecution	Prosecutors and Courts
9 AFIS (Automated Fingerprint ID System)	Technology
10 Firearms	Technology




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Authorized Official (AO) Consent	
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