

PUBLIC NOTICE

LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Notice of Availability of Funds

Federal Fiscal Years (FFY) 2020 and 2019 Residential Substance Abuse Treatment for State Prisoners (RSAT) Grant Program

Take notice that, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-34.4, the Department of Law and Public Safety (Department) announces the availability of the following competitive FFY20 and FFY19 RSAT grant program funds:

- a) **Name of the Program:** FFY20 Residential Substance Abuse Treatment for State Prisoners Program (RSAT), Jail-Based Program.
- b) **Purpose:** The goal of the RSAT Program is to break the cycle of drug addiction and violence by reducing the demand for, use, and trafficking of illegal drugs. New Jersey's RSAT enhances the capabilities of states and units of local governments to provide residential substance abuse treatment for incarcerated inmates; prepares individuals for their reintegration into the communities from which they came by incorporating reentry planning activities into treatment programs; and assists individuals and their communities through the reentry process through the delivery of community-based treatment and aftercare.

Organizations that are eligible to apply for funding under this program must:

- Be a local correctional or detention facility, in which inmates are incarcerated for a period of time sufficient to permit substance abuse treatment.
- Engage participants for at least 3 months.

- Focus on the inmate's substance abuse diagnosis and addiction-related needs.
- Develop the inmate's cognitive, behavioral, social, vocational, and other skills to solve the substance abuse and related problems.
- Require urinalysis and/or other proven reliable forms of drug and alcohol testing for program participants, including both periodic and random testing, and for former participants while they remain in the custody of the state or local government.
- Prepare participants for successful community reintegration that may include post-release referral to appropriate evidence-based aftercare treatment and/or service providers including those that support the use of medication-assisted treatment.
- If possible, jail-based programs should separate the treatment population from the general correctional population and program design should be based on effective scientific practices.
- Provide Aftercare: The county shall ensure that individuals who participate in the substance abuse treatment program established or implemented with assistance provided under this program will be provided with aftercare services. Aftercare services must involve coordination between the correctional treatment program and other social service and rehabilitation programs, such as education and job training, parole supervision, halfway houses, self-help, and peer group programs. To qualify as an aftercare program, the head of the substance abuse treatment program must work in conjunction with state and local authorities and organizations involved in substance abuse treatment to assist in the placement of program participants into community substance abuse treatment facilities on release. In addition, states shall

coordinate these activities with any Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) funded state and/or local programs that address the needs of this target population.

c) Available Funding: Under RSAT, \$400,000 in competitive grant funding will be available to support a jail-based residential program in a county correctional system for substance abuse treatment programming, following the RSAT model. If you apply for over \$300,000, it will be awarded as (2) contracts and will require reporting under FY20 and FY19 (initial \$100,000). A minimum 25% cash or in-kind match is required. The grant period will last for a minimum of one year under the FFY 2019 and FFY 2020 RSAT funding; starting July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023. No extensions will be granted. Based upon the availability of future federal funding and upon successful program performance of the awarded applicant, up to two additional years of program funding may be offered to the awarded applicant(s).

d) Organizations which may apply for funding under this program: County governments that operate correctional facilities.

e) Qualifications needed by an applicant to be considered for funding:

Applicants must be in good standing with all State and federal agencies with which they have had a grant or contractual relationship. Where appropriate, all applicants must hold current professional and State licenses and certifications.

Charitable organizations and professional fundraisers based, operating, or soliciting within New Jersey must register with the Division of Consumer Affairs Charities Registration Section, unless specifically exempted under the provisions of the Charitable Registration and Investigation Act, N.J.S.A. 45:17A-18 et seq. Proof of charity registration compliance

or proof of exemption shall be submitted with the organization's application. The Office of the Attorney General reserves the right to decline any and all applicants who cannot demonstrate proof of eligibility.

The Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA) of 2006 requires an agency to obtain a Unique Entity ID (UEI) number and register with the System for Award Management (SAM), to receive a federal award or subaward. Applicants without a current UEI number(s) and SAM registration will be considered ineligible. Successful applicants will be required to complete a FFATA form upon award.

To be considered for funding, an eligible applicant must submit a completed application including the below scored narrative, in accordance with the requirements of the program, by the submission deadline. Incomplete or late submissions will not be considered for funding.

The following scored components must be included in the application narrative:

The narrative should be double-spaced and a maximum of five pages, not including required forms and attachments. The following scored components must be included in the application and are described in further detail in the Program Administration and Funding Guidelines available at: <https://www.njoag.gov/resources/grant-opportunities/>

- 1. PROBLEM STATEMENT/NEEDS ASSESSMENT (10%)**
- 2. PROJECT DESCRIPTION, GOALS, AND OBJECTIVES (25%)**
- 3. COORDINATION OF SERVICES (10%)**
- 4. PROJECT MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE, STAFF & RESUMES (20%)**
- 5. DATA COLLECTION/ PERFORMANCE MEASURES/EVALUATION (10%)**
- 6. BUDGET AND BUDGET NARRATIVE (25%)**

Applicants must provide an itemized list of costs and a narrative explanation as to why those costs are necessary to the success of the project on the form provided. Costs must be specific and tied to the project objectives. Applicants should refer to the Program Administration and Funding Guidelines for a description of budget categories, allowable expenses and match requirements. The initial \$100,000 in costs should be on one budget form and any funding over the initial \$100,000 should be on a separate budget form.

f) Procedures for Eligible Organizations to Apply:

Application packages are available on the OAG website at:
<https://www.njoag.gov/resources/grant-opportunities/>

Applicants must complete and submit a complete application with all applicable documents and signatures by the submission deadline. Applications must be emailed to the following email address: grants@njoag.gov. Applications that do not comply with the requirements of this Notice of Availability of Funds and the Program Administration and Funding Guidelines will not be considered. The Office of the Attorney General reserves the right to decline any and all applications for funding and to award grants in amounts that may be other than requested. The submitted application may be subject to disclosure pursuant to the Open Public Records Act, N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq.

g) The address* of the office receiving the application:

William H. Cranford, Chief Administrative Officer
Office of the Attorney General
Division of Administration
Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex
25 Market Street
Trenton, New Jersey 08625

* ONLY ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS VIA EMAIL: grants@njoag.gov.

h) Deadline by which applications must be submitted:

Applications must be completed and emailed to grants@njoag.gov on or before 11:59 pm on **August 22, 2022**.

i) Date by which notices shall be mailed of approval or disapproval of applications:

All applicants will be notified in writing on or about September 30, 2022 whether or not their proposed project will be funded.

Please note that funding allocations and individual subaward amounts are subject to change. Subrecipients shall recognize and agree that both the initial provision of funding and the continuation of such funding under a grant agreement is expressly dependent upon the availability to the Department of funds appropriated by the State or Federal legislature from State and/or Federal revenue to such other funding sources as may be applicable. A failure of the Department to make any payment under a grant agreement or to observe and perform any condition on its part to be performed under a grant agreement as a result of the failure of the State or Federal legislature to appropriate funds shall not in any manner constitute a breach of a grant agreement by the Department or an event of default under a grant agreement because of the absence of available funding appropriations. In addition, future funding shall not be anticipated from the Department beyond the duration of the award period set forth in a grant agreement and in no event shall a grant agreement be construed as a commitment by the Department to expend funds beyond the termination date set forth in a grant agreement.