

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

#### Notice of Availability of Funds

#### SFY24 Pop-Up Party Prevention & Response Initiative

**Take notice** that, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-34.4, the Department of Law and Public Safety (DLPS), Division of Criminal Justice announces the anticipated availability of the following grant program funds:

a) **Name of the Program:** Pop-Up Party Prevention & Response Initiative. This program is supported by a 2024 State budget allocation.

b) **Funding Source:** This program is supported by the SFY24 Appropriations Act, P.L.2023, c.74.

c) **Purpose:** The purpose of the Pop-Up Party Prevention and Response Initiative is to provide grant funding to municipalities with jurisdiction in the State of New Jersey to support law enforcement and public safety needs in the communities they serve. "Pop-up parties" are unsanctioned events, typically announced and promoted on social media platforms with little lead time before the event itself, but with the possibility for large crowds of people to show up at a designated area. These events have the potential to negatively impact public safety to those designated areas. Grant funding under this program is being made available to municipalities to assist law enforcement agencies prepare for and respond to incidents involving pop-up parties.

d) **Available Funding:** Pursuant to funding made available in the SFY24 Appropriations Act, P.L.2023, c.74, the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety, working with the Division of Criminal Justice, is making available \$500,000 to support the Pop-Up Party Prevention and Response Initiative. These funds will be awarded on a competitive basis, supported by statistical data, and awarded pursuant to the quality of the application submitted and the pending availability of funding. Funding decisions will be made to ensure the broadest and deepest level of service coverage practicable, taking into account the type of services to be delivered, the desired outcomes, and the geographical location of the project in comparison with crime statistics and data.

Applicants may apply for a maximum of \$50,000 for the four-month grant period. The project period will begin on May 24, 2024, and end on September 30, 2024; **extensions will not be granted.**

The number of awards available and the funding amount of each award will depend upon the number of applications received and the funding amounts requested by each applicant. Funding decisions will be made based on a variety of considerations, including but not limited to, the type of initiatives to be

implemented and the geographic distribution of the project. The Department reserves the right to decline any and all applications for funding and to award grants in amounts that may be other than requested.

**e) Organizations that may apply for funding under this program:** New Jersey Municipalities and Municipal Police Departments.

**f) 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 Department of Law and Public Safety reserves the right to decline any and all applicants who cannot demonstrate proof of compliance with program requirements.

To be considered for funding, an eligible applicant must file a **completed** application, in accordance with the requirements of the program, by the **submission deadline, which is May 24, 2024**.

**Incomplete or late submissions will not be considered for funding.**

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

**1. Agency Background, Mission, Experience, and Capability - 10 points**

Describe in detail the agency's mission, background, and experience as it relates to the purpose and objectives of the proposed project. Explain the agency's knowledge and capability to carry out the project, based on demonstrated experience.

**2. Problem Statement/Needs Assessment - 25 points**

Please identify the specific problem(s), target population, and geographic area that the proposed project will address. Describe the needs and characteristics of the target population; local needs and conditions; describe existing services and identify gaps and/or barriers in services. Include current statistics and relevant crime data to substantiate the need.

**3. Goals, Objectives and Implementation; and Project Work Plan - 30 points**

Please specify a clear, realistic goal for the proposed project. Identify objectives that are concise, measurable, and directly relate to the goal, problem statement/needs assessment, and target population. Measurable objectives shall include, but are not be limited to, the level of service to be provided. Describe in detail the project's approach or strategy for attaining each objective. Include a project work plan that specifies each objective along with the major activities, responsible staff,

and feasible time frames for each objective and activity.

**4. Key Project Staff - 10 points**

Please identify all project management and staff. Describe how personnel are uniquely qualified to manage and implement the project. Indicate if you will use existing staff or if you will recruit new staff for each position requested in the budget.

**5. Data Collection/Performance Measures/Evaluation - 10 points**

Provide a description of how you will collect data, measure performance, and complete an overall evaluation of the project.

**6. Budget Detail and Budget Narrative - 15 points**

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. 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.

**g) Procedures for Eligible Organizations to Apply:** Application packages are available on the OAG website at: [Grant Opportunities - New Jersey Office of Attorney General \(njoag.gov\)](https://njoag.gov)

Applicants must complete and submit an application with all applicable documents provided and signatures by the submission deadline. The provided documents must be used and may not be altered. Applications must be emailed to the following email address: [NOAF@njdcj.org](mailto:NOAF@njdcj.org) Mailed submissions will not be accepted. Place your agency name and project title in the subject line. Applications that do not comply with the requirements of this Notice of Availability of Funds or the Program Administration and Funding Guidelines will not be considered. The Department of Law and Public Safety reserves the right to decline any and all applications for funding and to award grants in amounts that may be other than requested. Agencies previously funded are not guaranteed continued funding or funding at previous levels. The submitted application may be subject to disclosure pursuant to the Open Public Records Act, N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq.

**h) The address\* of the office receiving the application:**

Erin Zippel, 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: [NOAF@njdcj.org](mailto:NOAF@njdcj.org)**

**i) Deadline:** Completed applications must be emailed to [NOAF@njdcj.org](mailto:NOAF@njdcj.org) on or before **11:59p.m., on May 24, 2024.**

**j) Date by which notices shall be sent of approval or disapproval of applications:** All applicants will be notified on or about June 12, 2024 whether or not their proposed project(s) will be funded.

Please note that funding allocations and individual subaward amounts are subject to change. Recipients shall recognize and agree that both the initial provision of funding and the continuation of such funding under a grant agreement is expressly depending upon the availability to the Department of funds appropriated by the State Legislature or through Federal funding from State and/or Federal revenue or 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 Legislature or through Federal funding 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 and the Department shall not be held liable for any breach of a grant agreement because of the absence of available funding appropriations. In addition, future funding may 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 in a grant agreement.