

PUBLIC NOTICE

**LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

**JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION**

**Notice of Availability of Funds**

**NJ Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI) Innovation Funds**

Take notice that: in compliance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-34.4, the Juvenile Justice Commission (Commission) hereby announces the availability of the following program funds:

- a. **Name of program:** NJ Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI) Innovation Funding.
- b. **Purpose:** The purpose of JDAI Innovations Funding is to provide an additional resource and support to those JDAI sites that have demonstrated an active commitment to the implementation of JDAI Core Strategies. Funding must be dedicated to institutionalizing JDAI policy, practice, and programming through the JDAI Core Strategy categories as follows:
  - 1) Detention Admissions Policies/Practice
  - 2) Case Processing/ Reducing Delay
  - 3) Special Cases/Violations
  - 4) Detention Alternatives
  - 5) Racial/Ethnic Disparities/Disproportionate Minority Confinement
  - 6) Conditions of Confinement
  - 7) Collaboration and Leadership
  - 8) Using Data
- c. **Amount of money in the fund:** \$2,520,000 (State Fiscal Years 2022 and 2023, Appropriations: JDAI Innovations Funding and Alternatives to Incarceration)

Funding allocations are for the one-year period January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2022. Future state legislative appropriations for this grant program are subject to appropriation and availability of sufficient funds.

**d. Subject to Appropriations**

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 Commission of funds appropriated by the State or Federal Legislatures from State and/or Federal revenue or such other funding sources as may be applicable. A failure of the Commission 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 Legislatures to appropriate funds shall not in any manner constitute a breach of a grant agreement by the Commission or an event of default under a grant agreement and the Commission shall not be held liable for any breach of a grant agreement because of the absence of available funding appropriations. In addition, future funding shall not be anticipated from the Commission 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 Commission to expend funds beyond the termination date set forth in a grant agreement.

- e. **Organizations which may apply for funding under this program:** New Jersey 21 County Youth Services Commissions or another body approved by the Juvenile Justice Commission Executive Director as the designated body to perform the duties and services of a County Youth Services Commission, on behalf of the County's Council on Juvenile Justice System Improvement.
- f. **Qualifications needed by an applicant to be considered for funding:** To be considered for funding, an applicant must minimally meet the Eligibility Criteria as described in the full application and submit a Letter of Intent/Eligibility Checklist on or before June 4, 2021 following the format in the full application.

Core Eligibility Criteria include:

- An active JDAI Site throughout 2020.
- The JDAI site held a combined total of ten County Council on Juvenile Justice System Improvement meetings and Subcommittee meetings in the past year. At least four of these meetings must have been full Council meetings, and at least four of these meetings must have been Subcommittee meetings.
- County Council has demonstrated a commitment to the JDAI Core Strategy of relying on data to drive system-improvement, in that the site a) produces the detention data minimally required to conduct such systems-analysis and b) has put in place mechanisms that rely on local participation for producing these data.
- The JDAI site regularly produces required detention alternative data.

**g. Procedures for eligible organizations to apply:**

Letter of Intent/Eligibility: Following the format provided in the full application package, complete and submit one Letter of Intent/Eligibility Checklist on or before June 4, 2021. Letter of Intent/Eligibility must be submitted electronically to [JCYSCGrants@jjc.nj.gov](mailto:JCYSCGrants@jjc.nj.gov) .

Application: The Applications, including the Letter of Intent/Eligibility Checklist format, will be posted on the website of the Office of Attorney General, which can be found at <https://www.njoag.gov/resources/grant-opportunities/>. Applications will be distributed electronically to each identified County Youth Services Commission Office and the chair/co-chairs of the County Council on Juvenile Justice System Improvement. Additional copies of the application are available by contacting the Juvenile Justice Commission, YSC Grants Management Unit at [JCYSCGrants@jjc.nj.gov](mailto:JCYSCGrants@jjc.nj.gov). All submissions must be submitted electronically. All applications must be received by 3:00 p.m. on August 6, 2021.

**h. Deadline by which applications must be submitted:**

All Applications must be completed and received on or before August 6, 2021 by 3:00 p.m. to the address above or electronically to [JCYSCGrants@jjc.nj.gov](mailto:JCYSCGrants@jjc.nj.gov).

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

Letter of Intent/Eligibility Checklist: Applicants will receive a response to their Letter of Intent/Eligibility Checklist no later than June 25, 2021.

Application: Applicants will receive a response regarding the results of the application review no later than October 8, 2021.