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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-DJ-BX-0560

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Title of Program: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Title of Project: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$753,944

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Barry D Roberts

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - JAG) 42 USC 3750, et seq.

Impact/Focus: Formula

CFDA Number 16.738

Project Description:

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The State of Alaska proposes to use this 2015 JAG award to support the continuation of their Statewide Multi-Jurisdictional Task Force and Prosecution program. Under the leadership of the Alaska State Troopers, Alaska Bureau of Investigation & Statewide Drug Enforcement Unit (SDEU), the goals and objectives of this program are to: coordinate the efforts and resources of law enforcement through a statewide multi-jurisdictional task force to interdict and seize controlled substances and alcohol and investigate and apprehend distributors of controlled substances and illegal alcohol; provide training, technical assistance, and support to local agencies in their narcotics investigation efforts; coordinate local and special prosecution support to multi-jurisdictional task force efforts throughout the State to prosecute and convict mid and upper-level drug traffickers; and address illegal drug and alcohol activity as well as the resulting violent crime problems in Alaska.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-MU-BX-0573

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Title of Project: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$3,116,204 Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
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Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - JAG) 42 USC 3750, et seq.

Impact/Focus: Formula CFDA Number 16.738

Project Description:

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The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs will use this Fiscal Year 2015 JAG award to provide local law enforcement elements with funding to upgrade or enhance law enforcement equipment including, but not limited to computers, police radios, weapons, body armor and other equipment. To establish and or support multi-jurisdictional drug and violent crime task forces throughout the state, with the intent of reducing illegal drug activity through increased arrests and prosecution of prime offenders. Funds will also be used to establish and or support implementation of evidence based crime prevention education and early intervention programs for school aged youth. Specific activities involve promoting and encouraging coordination and cooperation among law enforcement agencies; providing programs that will deliver law enforcement and crime prevention training and supporting various state projects in an effort to minimize and avoid reduction in essential services.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-VF-GX-K150

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Title of Program: BJS FY 15 2015 National Crime Statistics Exchange (NCS-X) Implementation Assistance Program: Phase 1
Support for State Programs: BJS FY 15 2015 NCS-X Implementation

Title of Project: BJS FY 15 2015 National Crime Statistics Exchange (NCS-X) Implementation Assistance Program: Phase 1
Support for State Programs: BJS FY 15 2015 NCS-X Implementation

Amount of Award: \$338,664

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Statistics
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Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program 42 U.S.C. 3732 (BJS - general)

Impact/Focus: Research

CFDA Number 16.734

Project Description:

The National Crime Statistics Exchange (NCS-X) is an effort to expand the FBI's National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) into a nationally representative system of incident-based crime statistics. BJS and the FBI are implementing NCS-X with the support of other Department of Justice agencies, including the Office for Victims of Crime. The goal of NCS-X is to enroll a sample of 400 scientifically selected law enforcement agencies to submit data to NIBRS; when these 400 new NIBRS-reporting agencies are combined with the more than 6,300 agencies that reported to NIBRS as of 2013, the nation will have a nationally representative system of incident-based crime statistics drawn from the operational data systems of local police departments. These incident-based data will draw upon the attributes and circumstances of criminal incidents and allow for more detailed and transparent descriptions of crime in communities.

The current mechanism by which local law enforcement (LE) agencies report data to the FBI's NIBRS, in general, is for local LE agencies to submit data to their state UCR reporting program, and then for the state UCR program to report those data to the FBI. While the FBI does accept NIBRS data directly from a small number of law enforcement agencies, the highly preferred route of reporting is through the state UCR program.

Funding from 2015 National Crime Statistics Exchange (NCS-X) Implementation Assistance Program will help states to expand their current capacity to report incident-based crime data to the FBI's National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS). The plan to transition local agencies to NIBRS reporting requires enhancing the state pipeline in order to ensure that each state's Uniform Crime Reporting program is capable of receiving and processing local incident-based crime data.



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For states that currently have no NIBRS program, the primary goal of this funding is to help them design and/or implement a NIBRS-certified incident-based reporting (IBR) program and begin reporting NIBRS data from at least one agency from the NCS-X sample. For states with a NIBRS component but have less than 80% reporting, the primary goal of this funding is to help the state program expand their capacity to receive and process additional IBR data and begin reporting NIBRS data from at least one agency from the NCS-X sample.

Alabama's current system, ULTRA, was originally created to be NIBRS compliant. It was developed based on N-DEx program under the assumption the FBI would do the conversion. In the process of becoming FBI certified it was discovered that the ULTRA system could not connect the persons to the associated incident. Starting in January 2015, Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA) with the University of Alabama's Center for Advanced Public Safety (CAPS) began the process of making the ULTRA system NIBRS compatible. The prototype, ULTRA 3.0, has been built and initial testing has been completed. Funds will cover further validation, documentation and rolling-out the new NIBRS compatible system. Funding will also be used to make sure the system is fully NIBRS compliant, creating a pipeline for agencies to transfer their incident-based records to ALEA and for ALEA to the FBI, providing training to agencies and vendors on NIBRS requirements and testing the system with beta sites. The 11 agencies that fall in the NCS-X sample will be recruited to be beta sites.

Note: This project contains a research and/or development component, as defined in applicable law. (CA/NCF)

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Grant Number: 2015-ZA-BX-0001

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Title of Program: FY 15 Research and Evaluation on Domestic Radicalization to Violent Extremism

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Amount of Award: \$399,531 Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: National Institute of Justice
Donna J. ("D.J.") Davis

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(NIJ - Research on Domestic Radicalization) Pub. L. No. 113-235, 128 Stat. 2130, 2192;
28 USC 530C

Impact/Focus: Local CFDA Number 16.560

Project Description:

Terrorists who successfully carry out incidents and escape unscathed to possibly commit further acts of terrorism frequently achieve rock star status among recruits inclined to radicalize to violence. The longer these terrorists evade capture, the greater their legendary status can grow. Joanne Chesimard, Ted Kaczynski, and Victor Gerena are just a few examples one could name. Although some research has been conducted on the sustainability of terrorist groups, little attention has been paid to the longevity of individual terrorists. The longevity of individual members not only affects potential recruits, but their behavior may also affect the overall sustainability of larger groups.

Project Goals: Identification of the behavioral characteristics of American terrorists associated with longevity and sustainability. In addition to identifying demographic characteristics associated with longevity, we are interested in ascertaining patterns of behavior that terrorists have successfully employed to avoid arrest and/or neutralization. We will examine the extent of participatory involvement, recruitment decisions, communication methods, incident characteristics, financial stability, precursor conduct, and spatial variations among terrorists with greater or lesser longevity.

Method: Data to be analyzed currently include 676 persons indicted in officially designated federal terrorism cases from 1980-present collected as part of the American Terrorism Study (ATS) and maintained in an Oracle relational database that includes over 400 demographic, legal, behavioral, and spatial and temporal variables. Data on these 676 persons currently includes information on 2,311 precursor activities and nearly 200 post-incident behaviors. Over 1,600 of these preparatory acts are now date stamped and linked to terrorist incidents. Additional data on new cases will be collected during the project.



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Analysis: Our primary measure of longevity involves measuring date from commission of first preparatory act to date of arrest for each individual. Robust variables relating to participatory involvement, spatial and temporal patterns, and other precursor conduct are available for analysis. Data will be output to a flat file database and analyzed using appropriate statistical software. The analytic method will involve both bivariate and multivariate techniques. Diagnostic tests will be used to remove problematic outlier cases and to suggest needs for further measurement options.

Products, Reports and Data Archiving: In addition to providing NIJ with a final report and archiving the dataset under the National Institute of Justice Data Resource program, we plan to generate a series of visualized products demonstrating patterns of conduct associated with longevity for use by intelligence analysts and in local, state, and federal counterterrorism training programs.

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Grant Number: 2015-MU-GX-K074

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Title of Program: FY 15 American Indian/Alaska Native Training and Technical Assistance Program Competitive Solicitation

Title of Project: FY 15 American Indian/Alaska Native Training and Technical Assistance Program Competitive Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$1,999,957

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Office for Victims of Crime
Barbara Robertson

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program 42 U.S.C. 10603 (c)(1)(A and B)

Impact/Focus: National

CFDA Number 16.582

Project Description:

The American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) Training and Technical Assistance Program will provide resources and coordination to increase AI/AN tribal communities' ability to provide comprehensive and culturally appropriate services to victims, their families, and the community. Using a victim-centered approach, designed to foster dignity and spiritual, mental, and physical health, the selected organizations will assist OVC in supporting the training and technical assistance needs of AI/AN communities that receive grant funds from OVC, including Purpose Area 6 (Children's Justice Act Partnerships for Indian Communities) and Purpose Area 7 (Comprehensive Tribal Victim Assistance Program) of the U.S. Department of Justice's Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS), and the OVC Vision 21 Community Wellness Centers solicitation. CA/NCF

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-VF-GX-0054

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Title of Program: FY 15 Victim Assistance Discretionary Grant Training Program for VOCA Victim Assistance Grantees
Invitational Letter

Title of Project: FY 15 Victim Assistance Discretionary Grant Training Program for VOCA Victim Assistance Grantees
Invitational Letter

Amount of Award: \$511,376 Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Office for Victims of Crime
Deserea Jackson

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program 42 U.S.C. 10603 (c)(1)(A)

Impact/Focus: State CFDA Number 16.582

Project Description:

The purpose of this program is to provide each state and territory with funding to support training and technical assistance for victim assistance grantees and others who work with crime victims. CA/NCF

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2012-VF-GX-K025

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Title of Program: FY 15 National Survey of Victim Service Organizations

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Amount of Award: \$300,000 Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Statistics
Lynn Langton

Supplement: 02

Statutory Authority for Program 42 U.S.C. 3732 (BJS - general)

Impact/Focus: Discretionary CFDA Number 16.734

Project Description:

The goal of the National Survey of Victim Service Organizations (NSVSO) is to provide policymakers and the research community comprehensive views of what services are being provided to victims, who is being served, and what gaps in service delivery may exist. This award will expand upon the NSVSO work already underway and will include the following additional tasks, contingent on the findings from the pilot test regarding cost and response rates: (1) administering the nonresponse follow up protocol established through the pilot test for all victim service providers included on the project roster to obtain response rates greater than 80%, (2) tracking and maintaining survey paradata on number of contacts, mode of completion, time to completion, and overall response rates, (3) cleaning and processing the data; (4) conducting a nonresponse bias analysis and producing a report describing the findings; (5) conducting post-stratification weighting and adjustments as needed; and (6) developing a public-use data file and codebook containing necessary documentation and variable information.

Note: This project contains a research and/or development component, as defined in applicable law.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-R2-CX-0016

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Title of Program: FY 15 Social Science Research on Implementation, Dissemination, and Translation

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Amount of Award: \$198,832 Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: National Institute of Justice
Cathy Girouard

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(NIJ - Section 213 Research) Pub. L. No. 113-235, 128 Stat. 2130, 2198; 28 USC 530C

Impact/Focus: Local CFDA Number 16.560

Project Description:

STATEMENT OF THE PROBLEM. Alcohol use, particularly among those in the criminal justice system, imposes tremendous costs on individuals and society. Traditional approach to reducing alcohol consumption among offenders is largely ineffective. 24/7 Sobriety is an innovative approach to reducing alcohol consumption among offenders, but little is known about implementation challenges and whether it can work in urban areas. SPECIFIC AIMS. 1) Determine similarities and differences in characteristics, physical, social, political constraints, and resulting implementation decisions across jurisdictions that have implemented 24/7 in South Dakota, Montana, and Jacksonville, Florida; 2) Establish metrics of successful program implementation based on existing data collected by the research team and estimate the sensitivity of program performance metrics to differences in implementation across Montana, Jacksonville, and South Dakota; and 3) Document 24/7 implementation challenges and how they were addressed.

This project contains a research and/or development component, as defined in applicable law. ca/ncf

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Grant Number: 2015-MU-BX-0390

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Title of Program: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Title of Project: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$2,587,649

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Kathy Mason

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - JAG) 42 USC 3750, et seq.

Impact/Focus: Formula

CFDA Number 16.738

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The Colorado Department of Public Safety will use this 2015 JAG award to fund programs and projects in the following priority areas: law enforcement; prosecution and court; prevention and education; corrections and community corrections (including re-entry); drug treatment and enforcement; planning, evaluation, and technology improvements; and crime victim and witness protection (other than compensation). Local Colorado jurisdictions that do not receive a direct JAG award will be eligible to apply for funds through a competitive grant process to meet basic law enforcement needs in any of the seven JAG purpose areas with priority given to those applications that support the Colorado JAG program goal.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2013-ZD-CX-0001

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Title of Program: FY 15 Office of Research and Evaluation Continuations

Title of Project: FY 15 Office of Research and Evaluation Continuations

Amount of Award: \$1,199,975

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: National Institute of Justice
Laurie Bright

Supplement: 01

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(NIJ - OVW Eval. (Domestic Violence Homicide Prevention Demonstration Initiative))
42 U.S.C. 13925(b)(11); 42 USC 3721-3723; 28 USC 530C

Impact/Focus: Research

CFDA Number 16.560

Project Description:

Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) remains a significant issue impacting community members and utilizing law enforcement and judicial resources. In the United States, IPV-related homicide accounts for 2 out of every 5 murders. The U.S. Department of Justice, through the Office for Violence Against Women, has funded 4 sites, as part of the Domestic Violence Homicide Prevention Demonstration Initiative (DVHPDI), to implement model programs that have the goal of reducing the rate of IPV related homicides. The National Institute of Justice has contracted with an evaluation team from Yale University and Michigan State University to examine the implementation process and impact of these model programs within the Demonstration Initiative sites. This evaluation seeks to draw critical findings and potential lessons learned from the combined experience of the sites including: 1) how the models are implemented in different sites; 2) barriers and facilitators to implementing the models; and 3) outcomes of the model delivery. The evaluation team will disseminate the findings with the goal of informing replication.

The evaluation will assess both process and impact outcomes. The process evaluation will assess: 1) the training and technical assistance provided to sites; 2) the implementation of the models in each site; and 3) characteristics of the service delivery systems. The impact evaluation will assess changes in: 1) collaboration among service sectors; 2) supervision and sanctions for offenders; 3) recidivism and re-victimization; 4) victim reported feelings of safety; 5) utilization of resources; and 6) nature of safety planning. The goal of this supplement is to fund this evaluation in three comparison sites that will implement the same model programs but without the additional supports provided to those communities participating in the DVHPDI. These comparison sites will allow the evaluation to determine whether there are differential outcomes in the Demonstration Initiative (DI) sites when compared to typically-implementing sites. If the outcomes do differ between the DI and comparison sites, the process evaluation data will provide an understanding of which aspects of the implementation process may account from these differences.



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GRANT NOTIFICATION		Grant Number: 2015-CD-BX-0027
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Title of Program:	FY 15 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grants Program	
Title of Project:	FY 15 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grants Program	
Amount of Award:	\$63,705	Date of Award: 09/23/2015
Awarding Agency:	National Institute of Justice Alan C Spanbauer	
Supplement:	No	
Statutory Authority for Program	FY15(NIJ - Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement) 42 USC 3797j-3797o; 28 USC 530C	
Impact/Focus: State	CFDA Number	16.742
Project Description: The Office of Justice Grants Administration (JGA) is the District of Columbia's State Administering Agency (SAA) for the Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grants Program. JGA in collaboration with the Department of Forensic Sciences (DFS) and the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner (OCME) requests \$61,932 to focus on improving the quality and timeliness of forensic science and medical examiner services. The JGA will contract services to DFS which is the District's agency tasked with a forensic science laboratory, crime scene sciences, and public health laboratory services. Within the DFS are the Latent Fingerprint (LFU) and Firearm Examination (FEU) Units. Both units experience a heavy volume of case submissions that contribute to a backlog. Of the current submissions in the LFU, approximately 90% do not have analysis requests associated with them and have been submitted to the laboratory for storage and management purposes. A significant number of firearm cases in the backlog have been adjudicated or had the investigation terminated, but the laboratory has not been officially notified of the change in case status. These cases remain in the FEU queue and therefore contribute to the number of backlogged cases and the average turnaround time. In order to address these issues, the DFS is requesting salary and travel for one (1) part time Forensic Science Technician to develop a management and storage system for the LFU submissions that do not have requests for analysis. In addition, the JGA will contract with the OCME to obtain continuing medical education and trainings for staff to improve the quality and timeliness of services and augment the agency's knowledge base. Funds will be used to assist with sending 7 scientific staff to 1 three, trade specific, forensic workshops and conferences. Scientific staff will consist of medical examiners, forensic photographers, and forensic toxicologists. These training opportunities offer multiple accredited workshops which address pathology, scene investigation, and toxicology. Training obtained will be used to maintain certifications and licenses (both individual and laboratory), to educate other professionals within OCME, and to inform other local government agencies about medical legal death investigation. Continuing education and seminars provided by these workshops can help to improve OCME's overall efficiency and quality of service. In addition, education often leads to innovation or implementation of new techniques or strategies which can reduce backlogs and turnaround time.		



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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-R2-CX-K147

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Title of Program: FY 15 Research and Evaluation on Firearms Violence Reduction

Title of Project: FY 15 Research and Evaluation on Firearms Violence Reduction

Amount of Award: \$622,432

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: National Institute of Justice
Cathy Girouard

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(NIJ - Section 213 Research) Pub. L. No. 113-235, 128 Stat. 2130, 2198; 28 USC 530C

Impact/Focus: Local

CFDA Number 16.560

Project Description:

Statement of the Problem: This project will investigate the degree to which gunshot detection technology (GDT) aids in the response, investigation, and prevention of firearms violence and related crime. While the ability of the technology to detect firearm discharges is well established through prior NIJ-funded research, no rigorous research to date has documented the implementation, use, and impact of GDT on desired firearms violence reduction outcomes.

Subjects: Milwaukee, WI; Denver, CO; and Richmond, CA.

Partnerships: ShotSpotter™ SST, Inc., The Police Foundation, and the referenced cities.

Research Design and Methods: The Urban Institute (Urban) will examine the impact of GDT on firearms violence and related crime as measured by reported crime, arrests, calls for service, and response times. Structural break time series and difference-in-differences (DiD) analyses (employing matched comparison areas) will measure if firearms violence and related crimes declined in the areas served by the technology. Qualitative data on GDT deployment and use will complement this empirical inquiry. Research questions are:

1. How are GDT systems employed by law enforcement for crime control and prevention purposes?
2. To what degree does GDT use reduce response time, enhance investigations, increase case clearances, support prosecutions, improve police-community relations, and reduce gun violence?
3. Has GDT use resulted in spatial displacement of crime or diffusion of benefits?
4. What is the cost of GDT deployment, maintenance, training, and use in relation to its benefits in crime reduction?



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Analysis: Data will be analyzed through: (1) Structural break analyses of response times, case clearance rates, gun-related reported crimes, and calls for service in areas covered by GDT sensors; (2) DiD analyses of changes in gun crimes in GDT coverage areas versus comparison areas matched on historical crime rates, land use, and demographic characteristics; (3) Spatial and weighted displacement quotient analyses of gun-related crime trends in 500- and 1,000-foot buffers surrounding GDT deployment areas; and (4) Qualitative analysis based on interviews with law enforcement and community stakeholders to inform how GDT is used and provide context with which to interpret findings as well as to explore other impacts, including firearm-related investigations and prosecutions. Cost-benefit analyses will assess whether the benefits in crime reduction associated with GDT outweigh the costs of the technology.

Products: Urban will provide a final summary overview, deliver presentations to both researcher and practitioner audiences, and submit journal articles. Data and documentation will be submitted for data archiving after removing identifying information.

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Title of Program:		FY 15 State Victim Assistance Academy Technical Assistance Solicitation	
Title of Project:		FY 15 State Victim Assistance Academy Technical Assistance Solicitation	
Amount of Award:		\$1,000,000	Date of Award: 09/23/2015
Awarding Agency:		Office for Victims of Crime Sharron P Fletcher	
Supplement:		No	
Statutory Authority for Program		42 U.S.C. 10603 (c)(1)(A)	
Impact/Focus:		National	CFDA Number 16.582
Project Description: The Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) State Victim Assistance Academy (SVAA) Initiative addresses the demand for more coordinated and multidisciplinary approaches to training victim service providers and allied professionals. Its aim is to provide state level victim assistance academies that deliver a blend of education and skills-based training for professionals that routinely deal with victims. The training provided through SVAA's is a critical step to ensuring that all crime victims receive the culturally competent, trauma-informed services they need to support their healing from properly trained victim service providers and allied professionals. The increasingly complex needs of crime victims have resulted in a demand for more coordinated and multidisciplinary training approaches for the field. Recommendations from OVC's Vision 21: Transforming Victim Services Final Report, released in 2013, to build and institutionalize capacity through an infusion of technology, training, and innovation to ensure the field is equipped to meet the needs of the 21st century, acknowledge the integral role SVAA's play in meeting the field's training needs and reaffirm OVC's commitment to support this important effort. For this reason, OVC issued the FY 2015 SVAA Technical Assistance solicitation to competitively select a training and technical assistance (TTA) provider to develop tools and resources to replicate, evaluate, support, and sustain SVAA's. The National Center for Victims of Crime (NCVC) will use this \$1,000,000 award to provide dedicated TTA to the network of SVAA's across the country. During the 36-month project period, NCVC will collaborate with Organization Resilience International, LLC, a global consulting firm specializing in crisis management and the human impacts of crime and disasters, to: (1) Provide comprehensive TTA to SVAA's, including curriculum design, instructor training and operational assistance; (2) Nurture the development of a three-level community of practice at the national, state, and operating SVAA level; (3) Facilitate peer-to-peer information sharing by developing a private, online social network for SVAA's and other stakeholders; (4) Create relevant tools and resources, including a SVAA Director's Handbook, a Train-the-Trainers module and resources focusing on evaluation, succession planning, and financial management; (5) Invite SVAA's to a special track at NCVC's annual training institute, and present at other national forums; and (6)			



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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-MU-BX-1068

Name Address of Recipient: Delaware Criminal Justice Council
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City, State Zip: Wilmington, Delaware 19801-3509

Recipient Project Director/Contact:

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Executive Director

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Title of Program: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Title of Project: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$896,805

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Lucia M Turck

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - JAG) 42 USC 3750, et seq.

Impact/Focus: Formula

CFDA Number 16.738

Project Description:

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The Delaware Criminal Justice Council is the State Administering Agency for the JAG Program. The primary goals for the 2015 JAG funds are to assist units of local government in carrying out specific programs that help prevent, fight and prosecute crime and offer a high probability of improving the functioning of the criminal justice system. The following programs will be funded to address the areas of greatest need in an effort to enhance criminal justice services throughout the state of Delaware: law enforcement programs, prosecution, defense and court programs, prevention and education programs, corrections and community correction programs, drug treatment programs, planning, evaluation, and technology improvement programs.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2013-MU-BX-K001

Name Address of Recipient: Institute for Intergovernmental Research
Post Office Box 12729

City, State Zip: Tallahassee, Florida 32317-0000

Recipient Project Director/Contact:
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President and Chief Executive Officer

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Title of Program: FY 15 Solicited - Law Enforcement

Title of Project: FY 15 Solicited - Law Enforcement

Amount of Award: \$13,384,442 Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Gale Farquhar

Supplement: 02

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - VALOR) Pub. L. No. 113-235, 128 Stat 2130, 2192

Impact/Focus: National CFDA Number 16.751

Project Description:

The goal of the VALOR Program is to improve immediate and long-term health, wellness, and safety of law enforcement professionals through the continued development and delivery of knowledge and skills-based training and provision of technical assistance that is supported by ongoing relevant research. This goal will be accomplished through the implementation and continuation of several major objectives. Officer-safety awareness training will be delivered both on-site and online via the VALOR Web Portal. The curriculum will address the many facets of officer safety, with an emphasis on professionalism, de-escalation, and safe officer/citizen interactions. Through the leveraging of technology, interactive training scenarios, online roll-call training modules, podcasts, and Webinars will be developed and made available to law enforcement across the United States. In addition, IIR will continue to collaborate with partner organizations to promote officer safety training and education. Upon request, technical assistance will be offered to individual agencies to help identify and support their own officer health, wellness, and safety goals. Information obtained through ongoing research will be incorporated into the training and technical assistance components of the program and communicated through the VALOR Web Portal.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-MU-BX-1066

Name Address of Recipient: Florida Department of Law Enforcement
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Recipient Project Director/Contact:

Victoria Kliner

Director

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Title of Program: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Title of Project: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$10,412,774

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Tarasa Yates

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - JAG) 42 USC 3750, et seq.

Impact/Focus: Formula

CFDA Number 16.738

Project Description:

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The Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) will use 2015 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) funds to award subgrants that support local governments in Florida. FDLE, as the State Administering Agency (SAA) will allow subrecipients to develop projects for JAG funding in all seven purpose areas. The goal of Florida's JAG program is to enable local units of government to receive the assistance needed to help fund and improve their own programs in relation to the seven purpose areas with the overall goal of improving law enforcement and criminal justice.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-MU-BX-1031

Name Address of Recipient: Guam Bureau of Statistics and Plans
513 W Marine Corps Dr

City, State Zip: Hagatna, Guam 96910-

Recipient Project Director/Contact:

William Castro

Director

Phone: (671) 472-4201

Title of Program: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Title of Project: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$610,774

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Barry D Roberts

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - JAG) 42 USC 3750, et seq.

Impact/Focus: Formula

CFDA Number 16.738

Project Description:

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The Guam Bureau of Statistics and Plans will use this 2015 JAG award to support a broad range of crime control and prevention efforts surrounding the areas of law enforcement, sexual assault, treatment and rehabilitation, technology improvement and violent crime. The overall goal is to prevent and/or reduce crime and violence in Guam.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION		Grant Number: 2015-VA-GX-0048	
Name Address of Recipient:		Office of the Attorney General 590 South Marine Corps Drive, Suite 706	
City, State Zip:		Tamuning, Guam 96913-3537	
Recipient Project Director/Contact: Elizabeth Barrett-Anderson Attorney General			
Phone: (671) 475-3324			
Title of Program:		FY 15 VOCA Victim Assistance Formula	
Title of Project:		FY 15 VOCA Victim Assistance Formula	
Amount of Award:		\$1,163,549	Date of Award: 09/23/2015
Awarding Agency:		Office for Victims of Crime DeLano Foster	
Supplement:		No	
Statutory Authority for Program		42 U.S.C. § 10603 (a)	
Impact/Focus: State		CFDA Number 16.575	
Project Description: This grant award provides funds from the Crime Victims Fund to enhance crime victim services in the State. Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) assistance funds are typically competitively awarded by the State to local community-based organizations that provide direct services to crime victims. NC/NCF			
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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-DJ-BX-0333

Name Address of Recipient: Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority
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Recipient Project Director/Contact:

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Executive Director

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Title of Program: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Title of Project: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$6,411,708

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Kerri Vitalo Logan

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - JAG) 42 USC 3750, et seq.

Impact/Focus: Formula

CFDA Number 16.738

Project Description:

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The Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA) will utilize this 2015 JAG award to fund programs which use evidence-based or promising practices and form cross-disciplinary and cross-jurisdictional partnerships. ICJIA will focus on law enforcement; courts, prosecution, defense and community corrections; prevention and intervention; state corrections; justice information sharing; recidivism reduction; and justice research and evaluation. Each applicant will be required to present a defined priority area and demonstrate need for funding.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-DJ-BX-0957

Name Address of Recipient: County of Elkhart
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City, State Zip: Goshen, Indiana 46526-3243

Recipient Project Director/Contact:

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Grants Administrator

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Title of Program: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - Local Solicitation

Title of Project: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - Local Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$38,326 Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Tracy Lee-Williams

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - JAG) 42 USC 3750, et seq.

Impact/Focus: Formula CFDA Number 16.738

Project Description:

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The disparate jurisdictions will utilize the JAG award to support law enforcement initiatives. Funds will be used to purchase in-car and building security cameras and purchase emergency response safety gear. The goals of this project is to increase essential law enforcement services. NCA/NCF

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-DN-BX-K058

Name Address of Recipient: Trustees of Indiana University
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Recipient Project Director/Contact:

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Title of Program: FY 15 Research and Development in Forensic Science for Criminal Justice Purposes

Title of Project: FY 15 Research and Development in Forensic Science for Criminal Justice Purposes

Amount of Award: \$190,223

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: National Institute of Justice
Frances Scott

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(NIJ - S&LLEA DNA/Other Forensics) Pub. L. No. 113-235, 128 Stat. 2130, 2193; 28 USC 530C

Impact/Focus: Research

CFDA Number 16.560

Project Description:

As submitted by the applicant: The primary goals of this research project are to directly assist forensic scientists who analyze controlled substances, either as seized drugs or in biological samples like urine and serum. Overall, this project seeks to improve the analysis of thermally unstable drugs by gas chromatography/mass spectrometry through a combination of derivatization and a novel total vaporization technique (Total Vaporization & Solid Phase Microextraction or TV-SPME).

This will be accomplished as follows:

- 1) Establish off-line derivatization techniques that allow thermally unstable compounds such as carboxylic acids, amines and zwitterions to be successfully analyzed using GC/MS
- 2) Adapt these methods to an automated platform that will conduct pre- or post- extraction on-fiber derivatization within the context of a TV-SPME extraction
- 3) Apply these methods to materials that are commonly encountered as seized drugs (e.g., powders, tablets or spiked beverages)
- 4) Apply these methods to materials that are commonly encountered in forensic toxicology laboratories (e.g., drugs in urine and serum)

The information that is gathered will then be compiled and disseminated so that a complete set of methods can be transferred to forensic science laboratories using traditional liquid injection. In addition, the relative merits of TV-SPME (e.g., greater sensitivity, automated derivatization) will also be assessed.

This project contains a research and/or development component, as defined in applicable law.



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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-MU-BX-0395

Name Address of Recipient: Executive Office of the State of Kansas
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City, State Zip: Topeka, Kansas 66612-1220

Recipient Project Director/Contact:

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Administrator

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Title of Program: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Title of Project: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$1,859,230 Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Melanie Davis

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - JAG) 42 USC 3750, et seq.

Impact/Focus: Formula CFDA Number 16.738

Project Description:

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The Kansas Governor's Office will use Fiscal Year 2015 JAG funds to address five identified statewide funding priorities. The funding priorities are mental illness in the Kansas criminal justice system; providing treatment for substance misusers; supporting officer safety by improving technology and implementation of other identified JAG priorities; improving assistance to victims of crime; and enhancing the functionality of the Kansas Criminal Justice Information System. Funds will be awarded to state and local agencies which support and implement the identified statewide priorities or improve or enhance BJA identified seven program areas. The project goals are to reduce recidivism, improve law enforcement technology and officer safety, improve victim services, and improve information technology.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-MU-BX-0471

Name Address of Recipient: Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement
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City, State Zip: Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821-3133

Recipient Project Director/Contact:

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Executive Director

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Title of Program: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Title of Project: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$3,077,359

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Elizabeth White

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - JAG) 42 USC 3750, et seq.

Impact/Focus: Formula

CFDA Number 16.738

Project Description:

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The Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement will use JAG funds to assist units of local government in carrying out specific programs that help prevent, fight and prosecute crime and offer a high probability of improving the functioning of the criminal justice system. The Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement staff and the eight regional law enforcement planning councils have established the following strategies to address the areas of greatest need in an effort to enhance anti-crime and drug control law enforcement services in Louisiana. The first priority is to establish and/or continue programs to impact drug control and violent or non-violent crime and related prosecution problems of the local jurisdictions across the state. The second priority is to address recidivism by strengthening those areas of the criminal justice system where emphasis on prevention of crime and drug abuse intervention, treatment, and rehabilitation has been deficient. The third priority is to respond to the need for specialized law enforcement and prosecutorial/judicial systems training and improvement, for implementation of the PREA standards, and for enhancement of forensics laboratories. Collectively, these strategies meet unfunded needs and will serve to reduce area crime and violence.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-RU-BX-K017

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Recipient Project Director/Contact:

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Executive Director

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Title of Program: BJS FY 15 National Criminal History Improvement Program (NCHIP)

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Amount of Award: \$285,047

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Statistics
Stephanie L Burroughs

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program 42 U.S.C. 14601 (BJS - Crime Identification Technology Act)

Impact/Focus: National

CFDA Number 16.554

Project Description:

The goal of the National Criminal History Improvement Program (NCHIP) is to improve the Nation's safety and security by enhancing the quality, completeness, and accessibility of criminal history record information and by insuring the nationwide implementation of criminal justice and noncriminal justice background check systems. BJS provides direct financial and technical assistance to the states to improve criminal history and other related records and to build their infrastructure to connect to national record check systems both to supply information and to conduct the requisite checks.

Under this award, The Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement (LCLE), the Louisiana Supreme Court (LSC), the Louisiana State Police (LSP), and the Louisiana District Attorneys Association (LDAA) propose to improve the timeliness, accuracy and completeness of data contained in the Case Management Information System (CMIS), the Computerized Criminal History (CCH) system, and the PAMIS/DACHS/AIXIS for use by Louisiana's criminal justice community and the NICS program. The proposed projects will enhance and upgrade the CMIS, CCH, and PAMIS/DACHS/AIXIS systems to ensure that the information received/shared is not only accurate and complete, but is in compliance with current state and federal law. The LSC, LSP and LDAA, in consultation with the LCLE and the ICJIS Policy Board, is responsible for the implementation of the proposed project. LCLE, as the coordinating agency for NCHIP in Louisiana, needs to ensure that the expanding needs of the ICJIS and its importance to NICS is coordinated in a manner that makes sure data is available to NICS decision makers at the time they need it to make a decision on a proposed firearm purchase in Louisiana.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-VF-GX-0007

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Recipient Project Director/Contact:

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Title of Program: FY 15 Victim Assistance Discretionary Grant Training Program for VOCA Victim Assistance Grantees
Invitational Letter

Title of Project: FY 15 Victim Assistance Discretionary Grant Training Program for VOCA Victim Assistance Grantees
Invitational Letter

Amount of Award: \$372,046 Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Office for Victims of Crime
Kisha W Green

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program 42 U.S.C. 10603 (c)(1)(A)

Impact/Focus: State CFDA Number 16.582

Project Description:

The purpose of this program is to provide each state and territory with funding to support training and technical assistance for victim assistance grantees and others who work with crime victims. CA/NCF

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GRANT NOTIFICATION		Grant Number: 2012-NE-BX-K001	
Name Address of Recipient:		Massachusetts Department of Public Health 250 Washington Street	
City, State Zip:		Boston, Massachusetts 02108-4619	
Recipient Project Director/Contact: Eileen Sullivan Chief Operating Officer Phone: (617) 624-6072			
Title of Program:		FY 15 Sexual Assault Forensic Medical Examination Telemedicine Center Pilot Project Invitational Letter	
Title of Project:		FY 15 Sexual Assault Forensic Medical Examination Telemedicine Center Pilot Project Invitational Letter	
Amount of Award:		\$1,540,000	Date of Award: 09/23/2015
Awarding Agency:		Office for Victims of Crime Ivette Estrada	
Supplement:		01	
Statutory Authority for Program (P.L. 110-401, 42 USC 17601, et seq.)(the PROTECT Act)			
Impact/Focus:		National	CFDA Number 00.000
Project Description: The purpose of this award is to provide 24-hour live access to Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANEs), or other expert medical forensic examiners, for pilot sites that will be selected through a separate solicitation issued by the recipient of this award, in partnership with OVC, and a process evaluation of the project that will be supported through this cooperative agreement. The pilot sites will use the services of the telemedicine center and may include rural, tribal, military, urban and suburban areas without a current medical forensic program, and/or correctional settings. One of these pilot sites is a U.S. Department of the Navy (DON) site which will be supported through an Interagency Agreement between OVC and DON. The ultimate goal is to maintain and expand the National Sexual Assault TeleNursing Center (NTC) for sexual assault forensic exams with the goal of providing a community of support for sexual assault clinicians to increase their confidence, competence, and knowledge retention and to support quality care for sexual assault patients. The national center will serve all jurisdictions on a fee-for-service basis. NCA/NCF For more information about this grant, contact the Office of Justice Program's Office of Communications at 202/307-0703.			



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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-R2-CX-K146

Name Address of Recipient: Abt Associates Inc
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City, State Zip: Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138-1168

Recipient Project Director/Contact:

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Division Vice President

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Title of Program: BJS FY 15 Survey of Inmates in Local Jails (SILJ): Design and Testing

Title of Project: BJS FY 15 Survey of Inmates in Local Jails (SILJ): Design and Testing

Amount of Award: \$999,667

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Statistics
Todd Minton

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program 42 U.S.C. 3732 (BJS - general)

Impact/Focus: Discretionary

CFDA Number 16.734

Project Description:

The main objectives of this project are to conduct research on the Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) Survey of Inmates in Local Jails (SILJ) instrument and sampling design and to create and pilot test a revised instrument and sampling method for the next iteration of the survey collection.

The SILJ allows BJS to profile the jail inmates and provide estimates on more specialized topics, such as physical and mental health of inmates, characteristics of veterans in jails, and substance abuse of inmates. The major goals of the project are to expand the scope of the SILJ, improve both the quality of the data it collects and the ability to analyze the data for trends, and compare the data to other populations using other data sources.

The award recipient, Abt Associates Inc., will complete the following major goals and deliverables:

Goal 1: Research and Development

1. Technical report with recommendations for the instrument design based on Abt's literature review and results from the expert panels and stakeholder feedback for expanding/enhancing topical domains.
2. Stakeholder action plan. Abt, with assistance from the BJS project manager, will develop and submit a draft of a stakeholder action and support plan. The stakeholder plan is an initiative for marketing and gaining support for fielding the SILJ and soliciting feedback from stakeholders on the survey's domains.
3. Technical report that assesses the pros and cons of various sampling designs and recommended sampling strategies. The primary goal of the SILJ sample design is to generate national-level estimates from a cross-sectional sample of inmates of local jails. One of the primary tasks for Abt will be to assess sampling designs for the SILJ and recommend changes to the design, if any, for the national



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implementation of the SILJ.

4. Delivery of final SILJ sample design.

Goal 2: Survey Instrument Delivery and Pretest

1. Deliver survey instrument. Abt will deliver a survey instrument that is cost-effective, minimizes respondent burden, and captures information needed to make national-level estimates about the characteristics of jail inmates. While designing the instrument, Abt will explore if and how administrative data can be linked with survey data to collect information on variables such as an inmate's current charges, probation or parole status, sentencing information, and criminal history. This effort is intended to decrease respondent burden and may be used to verify inmate-provided information. Abt will also explore the feasibility of using a core set of modules for all inmates, along with a rotating set of special-topic modules (e.g., health care) to maximize the content covered by the survey while maintaining the ability to make national estimates of inmate behaviors and characteristics.

2. Conduct survey pretest. Abt will work with BJS to determine the final pretest universe of facilities and inmates based on efficiency and cost effectiveness and field test the survey instrument and protocols in a sample of jails to assess the feasibility of using the instrument to obtain data from a nationally representative sample of jail inmates. Abt will work with BJS to obtain Institutional Review Board (IRB) and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the testing of the instrument.

Goal 3: Pretest Results and Survey Instrument Revisions. Abt will deliver the field test data and documented results to BJS for review. Pretest results will include, but not be limited to, unit (facility and inmate) response rates, survey and item or section completion times (mean, median, mode, and range), and topics of issues, among others. Based on the pretest results, Abt will refine the survey for national implementation.

Note: This project contains a research and/or development component, as defined in applicable law.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-DJ-BX-0888

Name Address of Recipient: Cecil County
107 Chesapeake Blvd.

City, State Zip: Elkton, Maryland 21921-6313

Recipient Project Director/Contact:

Scott Adams

Sheriff

Phone: (410) 392-2104

Title of Program: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - Local Solicitation

Title of Project: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - Local Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$27,950

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
E Tracey A Willis

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - JAG) 42 USC 3750, et seq.

Impact/Focus: Formula

CFDA Number 16.738

Project Description:

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The disparate jurisdictions will use their 2015 Local JAG funds to purchase a mobile digital data system that can access data from cellular phones and to upgrade their in-car camera systems. NCA/NCF

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GRANT NOTIFICATION		Grant Number: 2015-MU-BX-0001
Name Address of Recipient:	Maryland Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention 300 East Joppa Road Suite 1105	
City, State Zip:	Baltimore, Maryland 21286-3016	
Recipient Project Director/Contact: Christopher Shank Director Phone: (410) 821-2864		
Title of Program:	FY 15 Solicited - Law Enforcement	
Title of Project:	FY 15 Solicited - Law Enforcement	
Amount of Award:	\$1,011,443	Date of Award: 09/23/2015
Awarding Agency:	Bureau of Justice Assistance Tracey Willis	
Supplement:	No	
Statutory Authority for Program	FY15(BJA - JAG 5% carve-out) 42 USC 3756(b)	
Impact/Focus: State	CFDA Number	16.751
Project Description: The recipient will utilize the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant program carve-out funds to defray police overtime and salary costs associated with the civil unrest that unfolded in Baltimore City following the death of Freddie Gray while in police custody. The Gray incident has spawned a continued and unprecedented increase in violent crime in Baltimore City to include homicides, non-fatal shootings, and robberies. Furthermore, Baltimore City is anticipating continued spikes in crime as the cases against the six police officers charged in the death of Freddie Gray progress through the legal system. NCA/NCF For more information about this grant, contact the Office of Justice Program's Office of Communications at 202/307-0703.		



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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-DJ-BX-0287

Name Address of Recipient: City of Lewiston
27 Pine St

City, State Zip: Lewiston, Maine 04240-0000

Recipient Project Director/Contact:

Michael Bussiere

Chief of Police

Phone: (207) 513-3137

Title of Program: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - Local Solicitation

Title of Project: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - Local Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$40,959

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Lucia M Turck

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - JAG) 42 USC 3750, et seq.

Impact/Focus: Formula

CFDA Number 16.738

Project Description:

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The disparate jurisdictions will utilize the JAG award to support criminal justice initiatives. Funds will be used to support officer training, technology upgrades, and the purchase of law enforcement equipment. The goal of this project is to enhance local law enforcement services. NCA/NCF

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-DN-BX-0077

Name Address of Recipient: Maine State Police
45 Commerce Drive
State House Station 42
City, State Zip: Augusta, Maine 04333-0042

Recipient Project Director/Contact:

John Morris
Commissioner

Phone: (207) 624-7207

Title of Program: FY 15 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program

Title of Project: FY 15 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program

Amount of Award: \$150,000 Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: National Institute of Justice
Alissa Genovese

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(NIJ - S&LLEA DNA/Other Forensics) Pub. L. No. 113-235, 128 Stat. 2130, 2193; 28 USC 530C

Impact/Focus: National CFDA Number 16.741

Project Description:

The Maine State Police Crime Laboratory is the state agency that is responsible for analyzing evidence associated with criminal investigations for all state and local law enforcement agencies within the State of Maine. We are the only full-service laboratory in Maine. Maine State law requires our state laboratory to be responsible for conducting DNA analysis on DNA database samples collected from all convicted felons and some misdemeanor offenders in the State of Maine; the Maine State Police Crime Laboratory is responsible for storing and maintaining the resultant profiles in the Maine DNA Data Bank.

The Maine State Police Crime Laboratory faces budgetary concerns which constrain our ability to hire additional state-funded staff. However, in the past few years we have been able to significantly reduce casework backlogs with two grant-funded analysts. We desire to continue with this success that would not be possible without the grant funds. We propose to use grant funds to support the continued salary of one of our trained, skilled, grant-funded DNA analysts while we attempt to obtain state funds to continue the work of the second DNA analyst that has worked under this grant.

Additionally, we have made huge strides in database backlog reduction. With past DNA Backlog Reduction Program funds we outsourced our entire database backlog and renovated space to create an in-house CODIS unit. Current state-funded staff is now able to keep up with new database samples. Whereas we continue to satisfy the needs of our databasing program we propose to use funds to further reduce casework backlogs. The area of bottleneck has been at the stage of screening. We propose to continue to employ a grant-funded forensic chemist with FY15 grant funds to process, record, and screen items for biological evidence for DNA testing.

Therefore, our proposal is to use the federal funding from the FY15 award to continue casework capacity enhancement of the laboratory by continuing to employ one current grant-funded part-time DNA analyst at 30 hours per week, and continue to employ one grant-funded full-time Forensic Chemist.

The goal of the Maine State Police Crime Laboratory is for the grant-funded screening chemist and DNA analyst to complete at least



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150 DNA cases by the end of the award period. These cases would not be completed without this funding.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-AW-BX-0012

Name Address of Recipient: Keweenaw Bay Indian Community
16429 Beartown Road

City, State Zip: Baraga, Michigan 49908-9210

Recipient Project Director/Contact:

Warren Swartz

President

Phone: (906) 353-6626

Title of Program: Support for Adam Walsh Act Implementation Grant Program

Title of Project: Support for Adam Walsh Act Implementation Grant Program

Amount of Award: \$186,865

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering and Tracking Office
Faith A Baker

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(SMART - AWA/Sex Offender Management) 42 USC 16909, et seq.; Pub. L. No. 113-235, 128 Stat. 2130, 2193

Impact/Focus: Discretionary

CFDA Number 16.750

Project Description:

The Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006 (AWA) (42 U.S.C. § 16909, et seq.; Pub. L. 113-235, 128 Stat. 2130, 2193) authorizes the Office of Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering, and Tracking (SMART) to administer sex offender management grants. These grants assist states, the District of Columbia, U.S. principal territories and tribal jurisdictions in developing and/or enhancing sex offender registration and notification programs that support substantial implementation of Title I of the AWA, known as the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (SORNA). SORNA was enacted to protect the public from convicted sex offenders and offenders against children by establishing a comprehensive national system for the registration of those offenders.

The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community (KBIC) goals under this award includes 1) to sustain and enhance implementation of their SORNA program through ongoing communication with the State of Michigan and the SMART Office to effectuate program changes as they occur; 2) to partner with KDIC human services providers to integrate the aspects of sex offender registration and monitoring into a comprehensive sex offender management program; and 3) to maintain knowledge and experience with the program by continuing the position of the SORNA Coordinator. ca/ncf



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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-CD-BX-0012

Name Address of Recipient: Michigan Department of State Police
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P.O. Box 30634

City, State Zip: Lansing, Michigan 48913-0634

Recipient Project Director/Contact:

Nancy Becker Bennett
Division Director

Phone: (517) 241-1038

Title of Program: FY 15 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grants Program

Title of Project: FY 15 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grants Program

Amount of Award: \$236,488

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: National Institute of Justice
Alan C Spanbauer

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(NIJ - Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement) 42 USC 3797j-3797o; 28 USC 530C

Impact/Focus: State

CFDA Number 16.742

Project Description:

The Michigan State Police requests FY 2015 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Program base funding to improve the quality and timeliness of service delivery in the Forensic Science Division's Firearms unit. The requested funding will be used to continue payroll support for two grant funded positions in the Firearms and Controlled Substances units to improve throughput and turnaround time and for backlog reduction efforts Division wide. Funding is also requested on behalf of the Oakland County Sheriff's Office (OCSO) Forensic Science Laboratory to increase staffing within the Firearms Unit. A third full-time examiner will assist the OCSO in its efforts to increase casework throughput and decrease the firearms backlog and turnaround times.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION		Grant Number: 2015-IJ-CX-K008	
Name Address of Recipient:		Michigan State University 426 Auditorium Road, Room 2 Hannah Administration Building	
City, State Zip:		East Lansing, Michigan 48824-2601	
Recipient Project Director/Contact: Katherine Cook Director, Office of Sponsored Progra			
Phone: (517) 353-5283			
Title of Program:		FY 15 Research and Development in Forensic Science for Criminal Justice Purposes	
Title of Project:		FY 15 Research and Development in Forensic Science for Criminal Justice Purposes	
Amount of Award:		\$239,652	Date of Award: 09/23/2015
Awarding Agency:		National Institute of Justice Frances Scott	
Supplement:		No	
Statutory Authority for Program		FY15(NIJ - OIFS Gen.) 42 USC 3721-3723; 6 USC 161-165; 28 USC 530C	
Impact/Focus: Research		CFDA Number	16.560
Project Description: As submitted by the applicant: The identification and characterization of synthetic designer drugs is a formidable, yet not insurmountable, challenge in forensic science. Identification of any controlled substance is typically based on comparison of mass spectral data between the questioned sample and a suitable reference standard. However, this comparison is often visual in nature, providing no statistical assessment of the veracity of the identification, which has become more desirable since publication of the National Academy of Sciences report in 2009. Synthetic designer drugs provide an additional challenge for identification: due to their evolving nature, reference standards are not immediately available for comparison yet identification is still necessary to determine the legal status of the unknown. This research will provide tools to enhance current methods for the identification of synthetic designer drugs, focusing initially on the synthetic phenethylamines for which a number of structural subclasses exist. For those drugs for which a reference standard is already available, a method that provides a statistical assessment of the veracity of the identification based on spectral comparisons will be further refined. Then, high-resolution mass spectrometry will be used to gain deeper understanding of the structure of a selection of synthetic phenethylamines. The resulting data will be used to generate a mass spectral interpretation scheme to characterize an unknown to a structural subclass of the phenethylamines. Data will also be probed to identify spectral features diagnostic for each structural subclass. Such information will be of great utility in the analysis of new analogs for which no reference standards are available. The research will primarily be conducted at Michigan State University in collaboration with the Michigan State Police Forensic Science Division. This collaboration will provide input and feedback regarding the procedures and training methods developed, along with access to street samples seized in Michigan, which will give the research greater practicality.			



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The tools developed in this research will be disseminated as a conference workshop, conference presentations, and journal publications. The spectral data collected will be added to existing databases to increase the current knowledge base for these compounds. Finally, all collected data, workshop materials, and conference presentations will be submitted to NIJ, along with the final research summary. Through training and dissemination, this research will provide forensic chemists with tools that enhance methods currently used for the identification of controlled substances, particularly synthetic designer drugs.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-MU-BX-0964

Name Address of Recipient: Michigan Department of State Police
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City, State Zip: Lansing, Michigan 48909-0634

Recipient Project Director/Contact:

Kriste Etue

Director

Phone: (517) 373-2952

Title of Program: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Title of Project: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$5,466,651

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Lesley Walker

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - JAG) 42 USC 3750, et seq.

Impact/Focus: Formula

CFDA Number 16.738

Project Description:

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The Michigan Department of State Police will use this FY 2015 JAG award to support the state's updated multi-year strategic plan. The major goals include: 1. Fighting crime by developing collaborative efforts between criminal justice agencies; 2. Expanding the use of technology and best-policing practices to improve efficiency and public safety; 3. Supporting alternative sentencing to reduce costs/improve outcomes in the court system; 4. Providing criminal justice assistance to Michigan cities with high-crime rates; and 5. Addressing emerging public safety issues.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-CD-BX-0016

Name Address of Recipient: St. Louis Metropolitan Police Dept
1915 Olive Street

City, State Zip: St. Louis, Missouri 63103-2801

Recipient Project Director/Contact:

Francis Slay

Mayor of The City of St. Louis

Phone: (314) 444-5961

Title of Program: FY 15 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grants Program

Title of Project: FY 15 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grants Program

Amount of Award: \$150,900

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: National Institute of Justice
Alan C Spanbauer

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(NIJ - Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement) 42 USC 3797j-3797o; 28 USC 530C

Impact/Focus: State

CFDA Number 16.742

Project Description:

The Saint Louis Metropolitan Police Department Crime Laboratory is located in the heart of downtown in the City of Saint Louis and is tasked with investigating and solving all the criminal cases that occur in the City's 61.91 square miles. It is part of the Saint Louis Metropolitan Police Department, which is a unit of the local government that is responsible for the safety of the 318,563 citizens of the City of Saint Louis. The Crime Laboratory consists of several forensic science disciplines including biological screening, DNA analysis, drug chemistry analysis, firearms examination, latent print examination, and crime scene investigation (ETU).

ETU is the laboratory's first responder to crime scenes and on average respond to 580 scenes of violent crime each year. Since 2009, Saint Louis has made it as one of the top 5 most dangerous cities in the United States repeatedly, with a violent crime rate per capita ranging from 1594 to 2070. Since 2009, there have been 75 officer involved shootings, resulting in 28 deaths and 51 injuries. The most pressing problem at hand is the length of time it currently takes to fully document a major crime scene. Another problem is that of the ability to clearly convey the conditions of a crime scene to the jury.

The goal of this project is to improve the quality and timeliness of forensic science services to the citizens of the City of Saint Louis.

The objective of this project is to ultimately purchase one Leica ScanStation P20 in order to meet the goal of improving the quality and timeliness of forensic science services to the citizens of Saint Louis. The laboratory plans to purchase one Leica ScanStation P20 upon being awarded this grant. Through purchasing this 3D laser scanner, Leica Geosystems will provide on-site training to ETU Officers who will be the primary users. The laboratory anticipates being able to purchase and acquire the 3D laser scanner, train the needed ETU Officers, and launch the usage of the Leica ScanStation P20 by the end of 2015 so that the system can be fully operational and utilized at scenes of violent crime by January 2016. The ultimate outcome from acquiring the Leica ScanStation P20 is an overall improvement



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in the quality and timeliness of crime scene investigation, of crime scene documentation, and of crime scene presentation in the courtroom.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-DN-BX-0061

Name Address of Recipient: Board of Police Commissioners Kansas City Police Department
1125 Locust Street

City, State Zip: Kansas City, Missouri 64106-2687

Recipient Project Director/Contact:

Darryl Forte'

Chief of Police

Phone: (816) 234-5357

Title of Program: FY 15 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program

Title of Project: FY 15 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program

Amount of Award: \$406,533

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: National Institute of Justice
Christine Torres

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(NIJ - S&LLEA DNA/Other Forensics) Pub. L. No. 113-235, 128 Stat. 2130, 2193; 28 USC 530C

Impact/Focus: National

CFDA Number 16.741

Project Description:

The Kansas City Police Crime Laboratory (KCPCL) has experienced tremendous success with prior NIJ DNA backlog reduction grants, and is committed to continuing that success with the FY2015 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program grant. The primary goal of the laboratory for this program is to reduce the backlog of cases awaiting DNA testing. A secondary goal will be an effort to reduce the turnaround time (TAT) of violent and non-violent crimes cases each by 5%.

Funding from this grant primarily focuses on the retention of grant funded personnel previously hired and trained under prior grant awards. The above goals of a reduction in backlog and an effort to reduce TAT will be met through the continued efforts of these staff in the processing of cases with requests for biological evidence screening and subsequent DNA analysis. Staff funded under this grant reflect one full time biological evidence screener, one full time DNA analyst and two full time technicians. These individuals will complete cases that otherwise would not have been completed without this funding thereby reducing the backlog.

Funds will also be directed towards overtime monies to be used to address the aforementioned goals. Specific batches of cases will be processed from biological screening through DNA analysis solely on an overtime basis. These cases will reflect a subset of the backlog that would not otherwise have been completed without this funding thereby reducing the backlog; primarily focusing on non-violent crimes.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-MU-BX-0451

Name Address of Recipient: Missouri Department of Public Safety
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1101 Riverside Drive

City, State Zip: Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-0749

Recipient Project Director/Contact:

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Director

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Title of Program: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Title of Project: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$3,862,127

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Veronica Munson

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - JAG) 42 USC 3750, et seq.

Impact/Focus: Formula

CFDA Number 16.738

Project Description:

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The Missouri Department of Public Safety will use this JAG award to implement progressive crime reduction initiatives that includes community, multi-jurisdictional, judicial, correctional, analytical and informational-based response strategies to public safety. Collectively, the strategies will meet unfunded needs and will improve the effectiveness of the state and local jurisdictions criminal justice system.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-VF-GX-0049

Name Address of Recipient: Missouri Department of Public Safety
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City, State Zip: Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-0749

Recipient Project Director/Contact:

Lane Roberts
Director

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Title of Program: FY 15 Victim Assistance Discretionary Grant Training Program for VOCA Victim Assistance Grantees
Invitational Letter

Title of Project: FY 15 Victim Assistance Discretionary Grant Training Program for VOCA Victim Assistance Grantees
Invitational Letter

Amount of Award: \$470,823 Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Office for Victims of Crime
Joel Hall

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program 42 U.S.C. 10603 (c)(1)(A)

Impact/Focus: State CFDA Number 16.582

Project Description:

The purpose of this program is to provide each state and territory with funding to support training and technical assistance for victim assistance grantees and others who work with crime victims. CA/NCF

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-VV-BX-K020

Name Address of Recipient: Missouri State University
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City, State Zip: Springfield, Missouri 65897-0027

Recipient Project Director/Contact:

James Baker
Vice President

Phone: (904) 382-5484

Title of Program: FY 15 Research and Evaluation on Justice Systems

Title of Project: FY 15 Research and Evaluation on Justice Systems

Amount of Award: \$761,231 Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: National Institute of Justice
Donna J. ("D.J.") Davis

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(NIJ - ORE Gen.) 42 USC 3721-3723; 28 USC 530C

Impact/Focus: Local CFDA Number 16.560

Project Description:

The purpose of this study is to conduct a comprehensive multi-site examination of veterans treatment courts (VTCs) through an implementation and intermediate impact evaluation. Extensive research indicates that a distinct constellation of issues and needs are related to military service and/or training and that veterans may have higher prevalence of specific challenges shown to be related to illegal and/or hostile behavior, potentially increasing their risk for contact with the criminal justice system. Of all the publicly funded responses to the intertwined problems of crime, mental illness, trauma, and substance abuse among veterans, the most recent programmatic innovation has been the rapid rise and diffusion of the VTC.

Scholars have acknowledged that VTCs have not yet been well-researched with commentaries and notes forming the bulk of work in this area. Early empirical research has only begun to emerge, and their scope is limited. Despite the lack of research and evidence-based policy and practice, VTCs are currently operating in the majority of states in the U.S. and are continuing to propagate. This study will inform policy, programs, and research on VTCs and other specialized courts by assessing implementation and intermediate impact related to five main research questions and should be of interest to scholars, practitioners, and policymakers. Partnerships exist between the co-PIs and research affiliates at the multiple VTC sites.

Both quantitative and qualitative data will be collected from baseline and follow-up interviews, self-report survey data, observations, and official records from the VTC programs. Research design and mixed methods will include, but are not limited to, descriptives, content analysis, and relationship (correlation) analysis to assess influences on program fidelity. Analyses of intermediate impact will include, but not be limited to, comparative descriptive, outcome, longitudinal, matching, and regression analyses. This component will utilize veteran- and program-specific data collected through interviews, observations, and official records, as well as the specific results from the implementation evaluation to assess influences on outcomes such as program graduation, drug and alcohol abstinence, and



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recidivism (new arrests while in the program and post-graduation or termination).

The proposed 3-year project would begin in January of 2016 and finish in December of 2018. Project deliverables will include data sets, code books, reports, peer-reviewed articles (academic and practitioner), practitioner oriented and scholarly presentations, and webinars. A detailed timeline dictates deadlines for all work products and data collection, cleaning, and analysis.

Note: This project contains a research and/or development component, as defined in applicable law.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-MU-BX-0958

Name Address of Recipient: Northern Mariana Islands Criminal Justice Planning Agency
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Title of Program: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Title of Project: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$201,418

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Barry D Roberts

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - JAG) 42 USC 3750, et seq.

Impact/Focus: Formula

CFDA Number 16.738

Project Description:

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG) allows states and units of local government, including tribes, to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime based on their own state and local needs and conditions. Grant funds can be used for state and local initiatives, technical assistance, training, personnel, equipment, supplies, contractual support, and information systems for criminal justice, including for any one or more of the following program areas: 1) law enforcement programs; 2) prosecution and court programs; 3) prevention and education programs; 4) corrections and community corrections programs; 5) drug treatment and enforcement programs; 6) planning, evaluation, and technology improvement programs; and 7) crime victim and witness programs (other than compensation).

The Northern Mariana Islands Criminal Justice Planning Agency (CJPA) will utilize Fiscal Year 2015 JAG funding to continue support for the following programs: multi-jurisdictional drug and gang task forces, crime prevention programs, law enforcement programs, domestic violence programs, courts, corrections, treatment and justice information sharing initiatives. These programs will focus on addressing crime through the provision of services directly to individuals and/or communities and on improving the effectiveness and efficiency of the entire criminal justice system. CJPA will solicit and receive individual grant proposals which will include the problem statements, goals and objectives, and impact statements.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-DJ-BX-0880

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Recipient Project Director/Contact:

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Title of Program: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - Local Solicitation

Title of Project: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - Local Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$34,624

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Erich W Dietrich

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - JAG) 42 USC 3750, et seq.

Impact/Focus: Formula

CFDA Number 16.738

Project Description:

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The City of Meridian and Lauderdale County, disparate jurisdictions, will use FY15 JAG funds to support the purchase of equipment and supplies at the Meridian Police Department and the Lauderdale Sheriff's Department. The Meridian Police Department will serve as the fiscal agent managing the JAG award. The goals are to increase essential law enforcement services and enhance communications. They are improving the function of the criminal justice system.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION		Grant Number: 2015-MO-BX-0024	
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Title of Program:		FY 15 Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program: Planning and Implementation	
Title of Project:		FY 15 Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program: Planning and Implementation	
Amount of Award:		\$249,974	Date of Award: 09/23/2015
Awarding Agency:		Bureau of Justice Assistance NiKisha L Love	
Supplement:		No	
Statutory Authority for Program		FY15(BJA - JMHCP) 42 USC 3797aa	
Impact/Focus: Discretionary		CFDA Number	16.745
Project Description: The Bureau of Justice Assistance's (BJA) Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program (JMHCP) is funded through the Mentally Ill Offender Treatment and Crime Reduction Act of 2004 (Public Law 108-414), which was reauthorized in 2008 (Public Law 110-416). The primary purpose of JMHCP is to increase public safety by facilitating collaboration among the criminal justice, juvenile justice, and mental health and substance abuse treatment systems to increase access to mental health and other treatment services for those individuals with mental illness or co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders. Jurisdictions were eligible to apply for grants to create a collaborative county approach to reduce the prevalence of individuals with mental disorders in jail, plan and implement a criminal justice and mental health or co-occurring collaboration, or expand upon or improve a well-established collaboration plan. The grant recipient will use the planning and implementation grant funds to complete an already-initiated collaboration plan for their criminal justice and mental health collaboration, and then begin implementation of the plan during the project period. Grant funds can be used to support law enforcement response programs; mental health courts, pretrial services, and diversion/alternative prosecution and sentencing programs; treatment accountability services; specialized training for justice and treatment professionals; corrections/community corrections, transitional, and reentry services to create or expand mental illnesses or co-occurring mental health and substance abuse disorders support services; and non-treatment recovery support services coordination and delivery including case management, housing placement, job training, education, primary and mental health care, and family supportive services. CA/NCF			



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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-MU-BX-0874

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Title of Program: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Title of Project: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$1,801,596

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Erich W Dietrich

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - JAG) 42 USC 3750, et seq.

Impact/Focus: Formula

CFDA Number 16.738

Project Description:

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With this 2015 State JAG award, the Mississippi Department of Public Safety will focus on the goals of reducing violent and drug related crime in the state; and increasing implementation of evidence-based programs. To achieve these goals, JAG funds will be distributed to local criminal justice and law enforcement agencies in three main programs: Drug Courts; Local Law Enforcement Support; and Hot Spots Policing (evidence-based program). One focus area for the 2015 local law enforcement support program will be funding body worn cameras for MS localities. The new Hot Spots Policing program will focus on implementing effective crime reduction and crime prevention strategies in select communities that exhibit high rates of crime based on Uniform Crime Reports.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-CD-BX-0076

Name Address of Recipient: Lewis and Clark County Sheriff's Office
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Sheriff

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Title of Program: FY 15 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grants Program

Title of Project: FY 15 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grants Program

Amount of Award: \$133,397

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: National Institute of Justice
Alan C Spanbauer

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(NIJ - Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement) 42 USC 3797j-3797o; 28 USC 530C

Impact/Focus: State

CFDA Number 16.742

Project Description:

In July of 2013, the Lewis and Clark County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) established an in-house forensic science section with the capability to provide fast and efficient high-demand forensic services to local law enforcement. Over sixty thousand dollars of agency funds have been allocated to begin purchasing equipment and training for the forensic section. Since the inception of the program, the forensic section has completed over one-hundred and twelve (112) forensic work requests. The requests include work in high-demand forensic disciplines such as mobile forensics, crime scenes, latent prints, and video analysis. The Montana State Crime Laboratory either does not provide analysis in the majority of these disciplines or is substantially backlogged. Support from the Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grants Program will provide the funding necessary for the Lewis and Clark County Sheriff's Office to continue developing the forensic section. The following objectives detail areas of crucial development which are outside the budget capabilities of a small agency such as the LCSO:

- 1) Acquire and maintain an Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) to provide investigators with important fingerprint information as quickly as possible including a modern livescan system to assist in the development of a local AFIS database and fully take advantage of upgrades to national AFIS technology.
- 2) Provide specific crime scene and digital evidence training opportunities to expand crime scene response and to enhance individual skills while keeping current with rapidly expanding and changing digital forensic equipment and practices.
- 3) Acquire and maintain equipment used to capture, process, and enhance digital forensic data, in particular computer, mobile, and video forensic equipment.

Developing the in-house forensic section will reduce the number of submissions from the Lewis and Clark County Sheriff's Office and neighboring agencies to the Montana State Crime Laboratory. Reducing the number of submissions to the crime lab will result in a reduced state backlog and an increase in the quality and efficiency of local investigations due to the immediate availability of critical forensic information. In addition, a reduction in the number of submissions to the state laboratory from Lewis and Clark County, one of



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Montana's larger population areas, will allow the state crime laboratory to reduce the turn-around time on requests for analysis from other areas of the state thereby benefitting all of the law enforcement agencies in Montana.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-RJ-BX-0004

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Title of Program: FY 15 John R. Justice Program

Title of Project: FY 15 John R. Justice Program

Amount of Award: \$30,877

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Latanza Wilson

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - John R. Justice) 42 USC 3797cc-21

Impact/Focus: Discretionary

CFDA Number 16.816

Project Description:

Congress enacted the John R. Justice Prosecutors and Defenders Incentive Act (hereinafter referred to as the "Act"), codified at 42 U.S.C. §3797cc-21, and named for the late John Reid Justice of South Carolina, to encourage qualified attorneys to choose careers as prosecutors and public defenders and to continue in that service. The John R. Justice (JRJ) Student Loan Repayment Grant Program provides loan repayment assistance for local, state, and federal public defenders and local and state prosecutors who commit to continued employment as public defenders and prosecutors for at least three years. To administer this program, the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) will award funds to each of the 50 states, five territories, and the District of Columbia to serve eligible recipients working within the state's, territory's, or District's jurisdiction.

The grant recipient, serving as the state administering agency for this program, will use the grant funds to establish a statewide JRJ Grant Program consistent with the Act's requirements and programmatic guidance provided by BJA. Once the state has received the grant award, the state administering agency is responsible for outreach, education, and solicitation of applications from eligible beneficiaries. The state will ensure grant funds for loan repayment are allocated equally between prosecutors and public defenders, with a priority placed on those eligible beneficiaries who have the least ability to repay their loans.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-BJ-CX-K038

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Title of Program: BJS FY 15 Deaths in Custody Reporting Program and Annual Survey of Jails, 2016-2020

Title of Project: BJS FY 15 Deaths in Custody Reporting Program and Annual Survey of Jails, 2016-2020

Amount of Award: \$902,285

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Statistics
Margaret E Noonan

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program 42 U.S.C. 3732 (BJS - general)

Impact/Focus: Discretionary

CFDA Number 16.734

Project Description:

The Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) has been collecting statistics on deaths occurring in local jails, State prisons and in the process of arrest since the passage of the Deaths in Custody Reporting Act of 2000 (PL 106-297). BJS has been collecting data on the supervised and confined jail inmate populations through the Annual Survey of Jails (ASJ) since 1983.

Under this award, starting in January of 2016, the ASJ will be incorporated into the DCRP collection. A sample of DCRP respondents will receive the ASJ form in lieu of the traditional DCRP annual summary form (ASF). The ASJ captures additional items not traditionally captured through the DCRP and will reduce respondent burden and collection costs by providing respondent with a single annual jail population form instead of two jail population forms fielded six months apart.

The principle purpose of this data collection and related-work is to provide a national count of deaths occurring while under correctional authority at either the state or local-level; to generate a national count and rate of the characteristics of prison and jail inmates who die under correctional authority; to provide nationally representative statistics on jail inmates in the U.S.; to track studies of inmates on inmate deaths; and to identify and report on policy-relevant changes in prison and jail practices that may impact the number of deaths occurring in a correctional setting.

Note: This project contains a research and/or development component, as defined in applicable law.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-CD-BX-0074

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Title of Program: FY 15 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grants Program

Title of Project: FY 15 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grants Program

Amount of Award: \$175,000

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: National Institute of Justice
Alan C Spanbauer

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(NIJ - Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement) 42 USC 3797j-3797o; 28 USC 530C

Impact/Focus: State

CFDA Number 16.742

Project Description:

The Firearms Examiners Section of the CCSO is part of the Crime Scene Investigations Unit. The Firearms Examiners utilize evidence from crime scenes to match a weapon possible used in multiple crimes. When a firearm is recovered, it is test fired in a controlled environment and the test fires are entered into National Integrated Ballistic Identification Network (NIBIN) and IBIS (Integrated Ballistic Information System). The Firearms Examiner enters cartridge casing evidence into IBIS. Those images are correlated against a database within the region with the capabilities to expand nationwide. Information is cross referenced against earlier entries made by other agencies to potentially link the weapon to additional crimes and lead to more cases being solved. CCSO has had the IBIS since 1999 and has entered over 8,800 cases to date. An increase in Cumberland County's service population has increased the demand of CCSO and the Firearms Examination Section. The CCSO completes Firearms Examinations for 4 local agencies, 58 surrounding counties and agencies, and has serviced 6 out-of-state agencies. The Firearms Examination Sections continues to experience a high volume of cases, but without improved methods for firearms examination, there remains a significant backlog in the processing of this evidence. CCSO's current IBIS equipment is over 15 years old and will be obsolete effective December 31, 2015, rendering it unwarrantable. Using obsolete equipment could lead to invalid analysis and ballistics-based court testimony could be challenged, leading to offenders not being convicted. This could potentially allow violent offenders to remain on the streets to commit additional violent crimes. The latest generation IBIS equipment, which includes BRASSTRAX Acquisition Station and MATCHPOINT analysis station for cartridge cases, will greatly improve the timeliness and accuracy of forensic firearms examinations at the CCSO. As an extension of IBIS, BRASSTRAX provides greater levels of efficiency and raises the overall effectiveness of the IBSI system. BRASSTRAX and MATCHPOINT equipment will also allow computerized collection and analysis, which will further improve accuracy. This equipment takes both two-dimensional (2D) and three-dimensional (3D) images of a bullet's surface and uses these images to analyze markings to identify the weapon it came from an/or match it to other bullets within the network. It supports a wide range of calibers and various weapons. The CCSO's current IBIS only allows for 2D images. The shift to the 2D/3D hybrid system



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greatly improves the analysis of bullets and accuracy overall, as bullets and weapons systems are ever evolving. Accuracy is critical in the handling of any forensic evidence. The new equipment will allow the CCSO to be on the same platform as the ATF, FBI, and other law enforcement agencies. This updated equipment is required to be fully integrated with these agencies.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-IJ-CX-0022

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Title of Program: FY 15 Research and Evaluation on the Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation of Elderly Individuals

Title of Project: FY 15 Research and Evaluation on the Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation of Elderly Individuals

Amount of Award: \$968,933

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: National Institute of Justice
Donna Davis

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(NIJ - Section 213 Research) Pub. L. No. 113-235, 128 Stat. 2130, 2198; 28 USC 530C

Impact/Focus: Local

CFDA Number 16.560

Project Description:

Statement of the Problem: Elder abuse is a common and morbid problem that is often unrecognized. The prevalence of elder abuse is particularly high among older adults receiving care in emergency departments (EDs). Unfortunately, the potential of EDs to identify elder abuse is not currently realized in part because no protocols to screen for elder abuse have been designed specifically for this setting. We propose to develop and validate an ED-specific protocol to screen for patients at high risk for elder abuse. The protocol will be easy to use by the emergency nurses who will administer it and will significantly improve upon available detection methods. A positive screen will prompt further assessment by a social worker or emergency provider to determine the need for referral to adult protective services.

Subjects and Partnerships: Study subjects will be individuals aged 65 years and older presenting to EDs located in Chapel Hill, North Carolina; Birmingham, Alabama; and Ypsilanti, Michigan.

Research Design and Methods: In Phase 1 (12 months), we will develop a protocol to screen for individuals at high risk for elder abuse. The initial draft of the protocol will be based on a review of existing protocols and input from national-experts in geriatric emergency medicine (Platts-Mills), geriatric social work (Zimmerman), dementia (Sloane), sexual assault (McLean), emergency nursing triage (Travers), ED-based screening (Haukoos), and psychometric assessment (Reeve). Emergency nurses will then administer this protocol to patients (N=50), and revisions will be made based on debriefing interviews with patients and nurses. In Phase 2 (6 months), we will conduct a pilot study (N=100) to finalize the methodology to be used in Phase 3. In Phase 3 (18 months), we will conduct a multi-center validation study (N=1800). All positive screens and a random sample of negative screens will receive a structured evaluation by a social worker. This social worker evaluation, the patient's medical records, and available reports from local Adult Protective Services will be reviewed by a panel of experts whose decision on the presence or absence of abuse will serve as a reference standard.



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Analysis: The sample size for the validation study (Phase 3) has been calculated in order to obtain a lower bound confidence interval for the estimate of sensitivity of less than 5%. Standard methods will be used to calculate sensitivity and specificity.

Products, Reports, and Data Archiving: Expected deliverables will include peer-reviewed publications describing: 1) the derivation of the protocol and 2) estimates of the sensitivity and specificity of the protocol in identifying elder abuse. Data from all three phases will be made publicly available. Subsequent studies will assess effectiveness (including cost-effectiveness) and establish optimal methods for dissemination and implementation. Collectively, this work will substantially improve the identification of abuse among older adults in the United States.

Note: This project contains a research and/or development component, as defined in applicable law.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-R2-CX-K139

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Title of Program: BJS FY 15 Annual Surveys of Probation and Parole, 2015-2018

Title of Project: BJS FY 15 Annual Surveys of Probation and Parole, 2015-2018

Amount of Award: \$499,450

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Statistics
Laura M Maruschak

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program 42 U.S.C. 3732 (BJS - general)

Impact/Focus: Research

CFDA Number 16.734

Project Description:

Under this award, the recipient of funds will carry out the ASPP data collection on behalf of BJS for the 2015 reference year.

The ASPP are two separate BJS data collections, independently referred to as the Annual Probation Survey and Annual Parole Survey.

Since 1980, the ASPP have collected aggregate data on the number of persons supervised on probation or parole (i.e., post-custody community supervision), together referred to as the community supervision population. The ASPP obtain aggregated data from administrative records maintained by state probation and/or parole agencies; local agencies (municipal, county, or court); and the federal system.

The ASPP are core BJS data collections and are the only national data collections that describe the size, change, movements, outcomes, and characteristics of the community supervision populations at the national, federal, and state levels. Together with data from the National Prisoner Statistics (NPS) Program, which collects counts of persons incarcerated in federal and state prisons, and data from the Annual Survey of Jails, which collects counts of persons held in local jails, ASPP data are used to estimate the total number of persons supervised by the adult correctional systems in the United States. Collectively, these data collections are also critical for tracking the level and change in the correctional populations over time and enhancing the understanding of the flow of offenders through and eventually out of the criminal justice system. Because of the needs for and uses of the ASPP data, it is imperative that these data are reliable, of high quality, and are representative of the entire targeted population.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

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Title of Program: FY 15 Research and Evaluation on Domestic Radicalization to Violent Extremism

Title of Project: FY 15 Research and Evaluation on Domestic Radicalization to Violent Extremism

Amount of Award: \$174,575

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: National Institute of Justice
Natasha Kenon

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(NIJ - Research on Domestic Radicalization) Pub. L. No. 113-235, 128 Stat. 2130, 2192;
28 USC 530C

Impact/Focus: Local

CFDA Number 16.560

Project Description:

Statement of Problem: In the wake of 9/11, efforts have been made by all levels of government to promote community engagement in an effort to prevent violent extremism. One such effort is the Community Resilience Exercise (CREX) program administered by the National Counterterrorism Center (NCTC). These half-day events bring together a city's law enforcement officers and community members to talk through foreign fighter scenarios and formulate community-specific strategies that can be used to identify and respond to radicalized behaviors. No formal evaluation process has been conducted for this program. This project will evaluate the CREX program, and provide suggestions for increased effectiveness.

Subjects: Research participants will include US Attorneys, NCTC and Department of Homeland Security staff, law enforcement, and Muslim-American community members.

Research Design/Methods: During an 18-month period of performance, this project will employ a six step participatory evaluation framework. Data will be collected through document review, program observation, interviews, and focus groups.

Analysis: A logic model specific to the CREX program will be created and used to inform the evaluation. All interviews and focus groups will be coded and a key theme analysis will be conducted.

Products/Reports/Data Archiving: Results will be disseminated through a report delivered to NIJ and NCTC. This report will provide details and analysis specific to NCTC, and provide recommendations for increasing program effectiveness. A Policy Brief will also be developed; this document will provide recommended best practices for law enforcement and community stakeholders.

This project contains a research and/or development component, as defined in applicable law.



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Grant Number: 2015-CD-BX-0035

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Title of Program: FY 15 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grants Program

Title of Project: FY 15 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grants Program

Amount of Award: \$63,705

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: National Institute of Justice
Alan C Spanbauer

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(NIJ - Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement) 42 USC 3797j-3797o; 28 USC 530C

Impact/Focus: State

CFDA Number 16.742

Project Description:

The Nebraska State Patrol Crime Laboratory (NSPCL) is accredited by the American society of Crime Laboratory Directors/Laboratory Accreditation Board International program. The NSPCL is moving into a larger facility in late 2015. While no federal funds will be used for construction, the relocation has generated needs which cannot be met with existing State funds. The result of this project will be a demonstrated improvement in the quality and efficiency of forensic science services in Nebraska. The NSPCL is prepared to report the necessary data in support of Coverdell funding. Formula funds will be specifically dedicated to attendance at a national conference, for the purchase of equipment, supplies, software programming and technical reviews. The Quality Assurance Manager will attend the Association of Forensic Quality Assurance Managers conference. This conference provides education in the areas of audits, accreditation, calibration, proficiency testing, evidence handling and many other areas which directly affect the NSPCL's efficiencies. The equipment needs that will be addressed include analytical and top loader balances for use in the Controlled Substances section. One set of the balances will be used in the evidence area and the other in the reagent prep area. A Crime lite 82S will also be purchased which will increase the effectiveness and efficiency of lighting utilized in the Latent Section. Supplies, supported with base funding, will primarily include electronics and analytical tools. Technical reviews will be scheduled for the Trace sections which is a single person section.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-MU-BX-1065

Name Address of Recipient: Nevada Department of Public Safety
555 Wright Way

City, State Zip: Carson City, Nevada 89711-0001

Recipient Project Director/Contact:

James Wright

Director

Phone: (775) 687-5282

Title of Program: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Title of Project: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$1,947,399

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Joseph Husted

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - JAG) 42 USC 3750, et seq.

Impact/Focus: Formula

CFDA Number 16.738

Project Description:

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The Nevada Department of Public Safety will use this JAG award to support programs considered effective to achieve a higher impact towards crime reduction, prevention, and control, as well as those programs that improve functioning of the criminal justice system. Examples of such programs include: police officer training, equipment and funding for task forces, campus safety initiatives, continued support of corrections gang intelligence data, and a drug counseling program. NCA/NCF



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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-DN-BX-0118

Name Address of Recipient: New York City Office of Chief Medical Examiner
520 First Avenue

City, State Zip: New York, New York 10016-9161

Recipient Project Director/Contact:

David McCann

Director of Finance

Phone: (212) 323-1707

Title of Program: FY 15 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program

Title of Project: FY 15 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program

Amount of Award: \$1,450,000

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: National Institute of Justice
Alissa Genovese

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(NIJ - S&LLEA DNA/Other Forensics) Pub. L. No. 113-235, 128 Stat. 2130, 2193; 28 USC 530C

Impact/Focus: National

CFDA Number 16.741

Project Description:

The Office of Chief Medical Examiner, Department of Forensic Biology, serves as the public forensic laboratory for the City of New York and provides serology and DNA testing on thousands of case submissions every year. In 2014 a total of 25,272 DNA samples were extracted, with STR profiles generated, analyzed, and reviewed. As a result, the Department of Forensic Biology uploaded 4,191 profiles into CODIS. During the same year 815 cold hits to offender matches, 224 case-to-case matches and 470 conviction matches in 2014. Within the first quarter of 2015 the Department uploaded 1,079 profiles and had 485 matches.

The Department of Forensic Biology's 2016/17 goals are to increase the current capacity and reduce by half the turnaround time and case backlog, currently 115 and 2,300, to 58 and 1,150 respectively. The FY15 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction program proposal aims to achieve productivity and timeliness of DNA testing by focusing on the following actions:

- 1) Increase available staff hours through overtime, supplies and previous grant funded staff
- 2) Support current service contract to cover the laboratory's pipette calibration, idashboards and Genemarker software
- 3) Provide continuing education through scientific conferences and professional meetings travel

The goal is to reduce backlog and turnaround time by half within the 24 months of this grant period through process improvements and continued overtime and supplies funding.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-VF-GX-K011

Name Address of Recipient: Vera Institute of Justice
233 Broadway, 12th Floor

City, State Zip: New York, New York 10279-1299

Recipient Project Director/Contact:

Nicholas Turner

President and Director

Phone: (917) 535-7564

Title of Program: FY 15 Language Access Training and Technical Assistance Program

Title of Project: FY 15 Language Access Training and Technical Assistance Program

Amount of Award: \$999,749

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Office for Victims of Crime
Beatrice L Waldrop

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program 42 U.S.C. 10603 (c)(1)(A)

Impact/Focus: National

CFDA Number 16.582

Project Description:

The OVC Language Access Training and Technical Assistance Program is designed to provide nationwide training and technical assistance for crime victim service providers and allied professionals in the area of language access. With this award, the Vera Institute of Justice (VERA), in collaboration with the Asian Pacific Institute on Gender-Based Violence, the National Latin@ Network, Advocacy Services for Abused Deaf Victims, and the National Center for Victims of Crime, will develop and provide training and technical assistance to improve access to crime victim services for Deaf, hard of hearing, and limited English proficient victims. CA/NCF

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-MU-BX-0772

Name Address of Recipient: Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services
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City, State Zip: Columbus, Ohio 43218-2632

Recipient Project Director/Contact:

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Executive Director

Phone: (614) 728-8740

Title of Program: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Title of Project: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$5,355,775

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Mark Kline

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - JAG) 42 USC 3750, et seq.

Impact/Focus: Formula

CFDA Number 16.738

Project Description:

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The Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services will use this JAG award to support the state's strategic plan. The major goals are to identify and address areas of need in Ohio's criminal justice system and support Regional Planning Units (RPU) in Columbus/Franklin County, Cleveland/Cuyahoga County, and Toledo/Lucas County.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2013-IJ-CX-K007

Name Address of Recipient: Carnegie Mellon University
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City, State Zip: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15213-3890

Recipient Project Director/Contact:

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Assoc. Vice President of Sponsored P

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Title of Program: FY 15 Office of Science and Technology Continuations

Title of Project: FY 15 Office of Science and Technology Continuations

Amount of Award: \$239,670

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: National Institute of Justice
Jessica Highland

Supplement: 02

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(NIJ - OS&T Gen.) 42 USC 3721-3723; 6 USC 161-165; 28 USC 530C

Impact/Focus: National

CFDA Number 16.560

Project Description:

This award was competitively made in response to a proposal submitted by Carnegie Mellon University (CMU) to a National Institute of Justice FY 2013 solicitation: "Applied Technology Research and Development for Criminal Justice Purposes". The purpose of this award is to improve the practice of searching classified ads for trafficking and other criminal activity. With a huge volume of communication and transactions moving online in recent years, many criminals also move their activity to online media, particularly classified advertisements published on the internet. Carnegie Mellon plans to develop tools which can be applied to the large volume of data that has the potential to inform criminal investigations, but is currently underutilized by law enforcement. The CMU proposal included a three year project period with a total funding requirement of \$717,458. NIJ determined to fund this award incrementally providing \$239,670 in FY2015

This project contains a research and/or development component, as defined in applicable law. nca/ncf

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-IJ-CX-0002

Name Address of Recipient: Pennsylvania State University
Office of Sponsored Programs
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Recipient Project Director/Contact:

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Interim Director

Phone: (814) 865-8030

Title of Program: FY 15 Graduate Research Fellowship Program in the Social and Behavioral Sciences

Title of Project: FY 15 Graduate Research Fellowship Program in the Social and Behavioral Sciences

Amount of Award: \$32,000 Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: National Institute of Justice
Natasha Kenon

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(NIJ - ORE Gen.) 42 USC 3721-3723; 28 USC 530C

Impact/Focus: Local CFDA Number 16.560

Project Description:

As states attempt to reduce prison populations, they are increasingly turning to sentencing risk assessments (RAs) to identify serious offenders eligible for non-incarcerative punishments. Despite a recent proliferation of pro-sentencing RA legislation, many questions remain about their effectiveness, predictive validity, and potential effects on racial disproportionality. This project seeks to expand on a previously funded RA study to answer three main questions: 1) Which offender characteristics best predict post-release recidivism (i.e., arrest, violent arrest, felony conviction, and re-incarceration) in a group of serious offenders? 2) Does grouping offenders according to their combination of risk factors predict who recidivates? and 3) Does using a formalized risk-based sentencing structure increase racial disproportionality in incarceration - compared to the current sentencing structure?

These questions will be answered in three phases using a longitudinal sample of 10,002 serious adult offenders sentenced in Pennsylvania between 2001-2005 and followed for up to 11.6 years. Offender characteristics and outcomes measures are collected from the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections, the Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing, and the Pennsylvania State Police. First, we use a Cox proportional hazards model to identify which factors and offender characteristics best predict risk of recidivism. Along with standard demographic and offense characteristics, we expand the potential risk-predictive measures to include pro-criminal attitudes, peer contacts, and socio-economic status (among others) - many of which are largely missing from previous sentencing RA development studies. Second, we use a Burgess equal weight linear model to create a sentencing RA tool based on the findings. Receiver Operator Characteristics (ROC) are used to provide a measure of how well the tool balances true positives and true negatives and Area Under the Curve (AUC) estimates are used to compare predictive power across the validation and test



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samples. Third, we follow a propensity score approach to assesses how likely it is for a minority offender to get an incarcerative sentence, compared to a similarly situated white offender, under both the current sentencing guidelines and under the new risk-based sentencing structure.

Results from this study will benefit the criminal justice field by informing scholars and practitioners about the relationship between offender characteristics, theoretical concepts, and criminality. States considering adopting an empirically-based RA will be interested in the process behind creating a validated tool. Finally, this study addresses a critical question missing from previous RA studies about the potential effects of using a formalized method of predicting risk on racial disproportionality.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-MU-BX-0669

Name Address of Recipient: Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency
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Recipient Project Director/Contact:

Linda Rosenberg
Executive Director

Phone: (717) 265-8498

Title of Program: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Title of Project: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$6,517,190 Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Samuel K Beamon

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - JAG) 42 USC 3750, et seq.

Impact/Focus: Formula CFDA Number 16.738

Project Description:

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The Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) will utilize this 2015 JAG award to ensure that the Commonwealth's communities are safe. This will be accomplished by empowering communities through collaboration; protecting and supporting crime victims; investing in justice reinvestment strategies; breaking the cycles of mental illness, substance abuse, and crime; implementing evidence-based programming; and implementing innovative technology and information strategies.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-VF-GX-0052

Name Address of Recipient: Pennsylvania Commission On Crime and Delinquency
Po Box 1167

City, State Zip: Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17108-1167

Recipient Project Director/Contact:

Derin Myers

Director

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Title of Program: FY 15 Victim Assistance Discretionary Grant Training Program for VOCA Victim Assistance Grantees
Invitational Letter

Title of Project: FY 15 Victim Assistance Discretionary Grant Training Program for VOCA Victim Assistance Grantees
Invitational Letter

Amount of Award: \$939,371 Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Office for Victims of Crime
Deserea Jackson

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program 42 U.S.C. 10603 (c)(1)(A)

Impact/Focus: State CFDA Number 16.582

Project Description:

The purpose of this program is to provide each state and territory with funding to support training and technical assistance for victim assistance grantees and others who work with crime victims. CA/NCF

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-VF-GX-K003

Name Address of Recipient: Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape
125 North Enola Drive

City, State Zip: Enola, Pennsylvania 17025-2500

Recipient Project Director/Contact:

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Chief Financial Officer

Phone: (717) 909-0710

Title of Program: FY 15 Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) Toolkit 2.0 Competitive Solicitation

Title of Project: FY 15 Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) Toolkit 2.0 Competitive Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$700,000

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Office for Victims of Crime
Ivette Estrada

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program 42 U.S.C. 10603 (c)(1)(A)

Impact/Focus: National

CFDA Number 16.582

Project Description:

The purpose of this project is to update and enhance the subject matter content of OVC's online Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) Toolkit that will provide communities with information and resources to assist them in developing and administering a SART in their community. The Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape will be responsible for developing a strategy to update, expand, and enhance the SART Toolkit as well as develop 10 short, high-quality videos to illustrate key issues and best practices.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION		Grant Number: 2015-AW-BX-0034
Name Address of Recipient:	SC Law Enforcement Division PO Box 21398	
City, State Zip:	Columbia, South Carolina 29221-1398	
Recipient Project Director/Contact: Mark Keel Chief Phone: (803) 896-7169		
Title of Program:	Support for Adam Walsh Act Implementation Grant Program	
Title of Project:	Support for Adam Walsh Act Implementation Grant Program	
Amount of Award:	\$398,325	Date of Award: 09/23/2015
Awarding Agency:	Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering and Tracking Office Marlon Daley	
Supplement:	No	
Statutory Authority for Program	FY15(SMART - AWA/Sex Offender Management) 42 USC 16909, et seq.; Pub. L. No. 113-235, 128 Stat. 2130, 2193	
Impact/Focus:	Discretionary	CFDA Number 16.750
Project Description: The Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006 (AWA) (42 U.S.C. § 16909, et seq.; Pub. L. 113-235, 128 Stat. 2130, 2193) authorizes the Office of Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering, and Tracking (SMART) to administer sex offender management grants. These grants assist states, the District of Columbia, U.S. principal territories and tribal jurisdictions in developing and/or enhancing sex offender registration and notification programs that support substantial implementation of Title I of the AWA, known as the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (SORNA). SORNA was enacted to protect the public from convicted sex offenders and offenders against children by establishing a comprehensive national system for the registration of those offenders. The South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) intends to build an in-house SOR database that will accurately capture all SORNA required information and send it to the National Sex Offender Registry (NSOR). This will greatly assist South Carolina Sheriff's Offices in registering sex offenders and sharing information with the public and other law enforcement agencies. By employing four grant personnel, two of whom will assist in ensuring SORNA requirements specifically regarding DNA, palm prints, and absconders are met; and two auditors/trainers who will assist with educating Sheriff's Offices on the new SOR database. The State will also assist local law enforcement in maintaining compliance with SORNA guidelines and implementation. Additionally, SLED plans to develop a sustainable, user friendly, and accurate reporting system to support SORNA and NSOR; thereby providing support for coordinated interagency efforts to enhance implementation of SORNA requirements. ca/ncf		



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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-MU-BX-0408

Name Address of Recipient: South Carolina Department of Public Safety
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Recipient Project Director/Contact:

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Director

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Title of Program: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Title of Project: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$3,254,099

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Stephen R Fender

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - JAG) 42 USC 3750, et seq.

Impact/Focus: Formula

CFDA Number 16.738

Project Description:

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South Carolina will utilize 2015 JAG funds in support of priorities identified in their state strategy. Sub-grants will be awarded to provide for personnel, equipment, training, technical assistance, and criminal justice information systems for apprehension, prosecution, adjudication, detention, and rehabilitation of persons who violate federal laws. In addition, sub-grant funds will be made available for projects that facilitate the implementation of innovative initiatives aimed at crime and drug control.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-MU-BX-1052

Name Address of Recipient: South Dakota Office of The Governor
George S Mickelson Criminal Justice Center
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City, State Zip: Pierre, South Dakota 57501-8505

Recipient Project Director/Contact:

Trevor Jones

Secretary

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Title of Program: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Title of Project: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$477,755

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Geislia Barnes

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - JAG) 42 USC 3750, et seq.

Impact/Focus: Formula

CFDA Number 16.738

Project Description:

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The South Dakota Office of the Governor will use this 2015 JAG award to continue support for state and local initiatives including technical assistance, strategic planning, research and evaluation (including forensics), data collection, training, personnel, equipment, forensic laboratories, supplies, contractual support and criminal justice information systems. The need has been determined from a historical basis of what has been funded in the past, the annual state budgeting process, and available funds

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-MU-BX-0442

Name Address of Recipient: Tennessee Department of Finance and Administration
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Recipient Project Director/Contact:

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Commissioner

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Title of Program: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Title of Project: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$4,632,497 Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Yolaine Faustin

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - JAG) 42 USC 3750, et seq.

Impact/Focus: Formula CFDA Number 16.738

Project Description:

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This 2015 JAG award will assist the Tennessee Office of Criminal Justice Programs in carrying out a multi-faceted response to crime and victimization in Tennessee by supporting improvement of the criminal justice system infrastructure and by enabling innovation and funding new ideas and strategies to combat crime. The goal of Tennessee's project is to improve and enhance Tennessee's programs in the areas of prevention and education; law enforcement; planning, evaluation and technology; prosecution and court; corrections and community corrections; and victim services.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-DJ-BX-0956

Name Address of Recipient: Texas Office of the Governor Criminal Justice Division
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Recipient Project Director/Contact:

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Director, Criminal Justice Division

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Title of Program: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Title of Project: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$12,350,323

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Carroe Booth

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - JAG) 42 USC 3750, et seq.

Impact/Focus: Formula

CFDA Number 16.738

Project Description:

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The Texas Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division (CJD) will use this 2015 JAG award to reduce violent crime and its effect on communities. Strategies will include providing law enforcement with the tools necessary to carry-out their duties, promoting border security, enhancing communications and intelligence sharing, targeting organized crime with specialized units and task forces, disrupting human and drug trafficking, and reducing recidivism in the criminal justice system through diversion to substance abuse treatment programs.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-MO-BX-0004

Name Address of Recipient: Bexar County Juvenile Board
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Chair, Bexar County Juvenile Board

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Title of Program: FY 15 Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program: Planning and Implementation

Title of Project: FY 15 Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program: Planning and Implementation

Amount of Award: \$249,980

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
NiKisha L Love

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - JMHCP) 42 USC 3797aa

Impact/Focus: Discretionary

CFDA Number 16.745

Project Description:

The Bureau of Justice Assistance's (BJA) Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program (JMHCP) is funded through the Mentally Ill Offender Treatment and Crime Reduction Act of 2004 (Public Law 108-414), which was reauthorized in 2008 (Public Law 110-416). The primary purpose of JMHCP is to increase public safety by facilitating collaboration among the criminal justice, juvenile justice, and mental health and substance abuse treatment systems to increase access to mental health and other treatment services for those individuals with mental illness or co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders. Jurisdictions were eligible to apply for grants to create a collaborative county approach to reduce the prevalence of individuals with mental disorders in jail, plan and implement a criminal justice and mental health or co-occurring collaboration, or expand upon or improve a well-established collaboration plan.

The grant recipient will use the planning and implementation grant funds to complete an already-initiated collaboration plan for their criminal justice and mental health collaboration, and then begin implementation of the plan during the project period. Grant funds can be used to support law enforcement response programs; mental health courts, pretrial services, and diversion/alternative prosecution and sentencing programs; treatment accountability services; specialized training for justice and treatment professionals; corrections/community corrections, transitional, and reentry services to create or expand mental illnesses or co-occurring mental health and substance abuse disorders support services; and non-treatment recovery support services coordination and delivery including case management, housing placement, job training, education, primary and mental health care, and family supportive services. CA/NCF



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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-R2-CX-0029

Name Address of Recipient: Sam Houston State University
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City, State Zip: Huntsville, Texas 77341-2392

Recipient Project Director/Contact:

Jerry Cook

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Title of Program: FY 15 Graduate Research Fellowship Program in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics

Title of Project: FY 15 Graduate Research Fellowship Program in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics

Amount of Award: \$46,008

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: National Institute of Justice
Minh Nguyen

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(NIJ - Section 213 Research) Pub. L. No. 113-235, 128 Stat. 2130, 2198; 28 USC 530C

Impact/Focus: Research

CFDA Number 16.562

Project Description:

As submitted by the proposer:

In the event of a mass disaster, forensic scientists may be faced with the task of processing hundreds or even thousands of decomposing bodies for DNA identification. The enormity of the event often results in delayed recovery and processing of bodies. In remote and tropical locations, the delayed disaster victim identification (DVI) response and lack of resources such as refrigerated mortuaries quickly result in decomposition of the human remains. This leads to severe degradation of DNA in these tissues, making DNA typing more difficult. With advanced decomposition, skin and muscle tissue often remain, and are easily and quickly sampled. This project will use decomposing human cadavers (N=3) to demonstrate that skin and muscle samples can be collected quickly in the field, stored and adequately preserved for months in hostile climates (without refrigeration) in formats amenable to much faster processing for successful DNA typing.

This study will be divided into two phases and conducted over 36 months; 1) Optimization of TENT buffer to maximize the amount of "free" DNA in solution for direct amplification, and 2) Develop strategies for simple field collection and storage of decomposing tissues using FTA-based devices, coupled with fast direct amplification protocols.

Methods will be optimized based on matrices such as the amount of DNA (via qPCR) and quality of DNA recovered (Degradation Index in QuantiFiler® Trio, Quality Sensor and no. alleles successfully amplified using the Investigator 24plex QS STR kit) from samples stored for up to three months in harsh conditions. Data will be tested for statistical significance by ANOVA with Neumann-Keuls post-hoc comparisons, or Student t-test when appropriate. $P < 0.05$ will be accepted as the level of significance.



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The novel combination of sample collection methods in the field, tissue preservation and more rapid sample processing has tremendous potential for improving DNA profiling success and decrease time/cost for forensic analyses as compared with current DVI practices for DNA identification.

Expected scholarly products will include a final technical report, publications in high-impact factor journals and presentation of data at scientific meetings. In an effort to facilitate technology transition into practice, the most successful protocols developed in this study may be reported to the OSAC DVI Sub-committee as recommendations for improvement in tissue preservation and DNA processing methods which markedly increase throughput of human tissue samples in cases of mass fatality events.

This project contains a research and/or development component, as defined in applicable law.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2014-VF-GX-K011

Name Address of Recipient: International Association of Chiefs of Police
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Executive Director

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Title of Program: FY 15 Enhance Law Enforcement Response to Victims Invitational Letter

Title of Project: FY 15 Enhance Law Enforcement Response to Victims Invitational Letter

Amount of Award: \$400,000

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Office for Victims of Crime
Sharron Fletcher

Supplement: 01

Statutory Authority for Program 42 U.S.C. 10603 (c)(1)(A)

Impact/Focus: National

CFDA Number 16.582

Project Description:

In 2003, OVC provided funding to the IACP to develop a national strategy for creating comprehensive cultural transformation within the law enforcement community in the United States, helping to move toward a philosophy and practice of enhanced victim response. IACP developed an Implementation Guide, a Resource Toolkit, and a Training Supplement, releasing the full set of resources in 2009. The final Enhancing Law Enforcement Response to Victims (ELERV) toolkit is a strong set of resources that has the support of the agencies around the country that assisted in developing, pilot testing, and validating the strategy. While the strategy was never evaluated, IACP and OVC are fairly confident it is effective. However, it cannot be marketed as an evidence-based approach because the only evidence of effectiveness is anecdotal information for the limited number of implementing sites. To remedy this, in FY 2014, OVC provided funding to IACP under OVC's FY 2014 Service, Support & Justice: A Strategy to Enhance Law Enforcement Response to Victims Initiative to evaluate the ELERV Strategy previously funded by OVC. The initiative is comprised of three components: (1) a demonstration project involving three competitively selected medium-sized law enforcement agencies; (2) intensive technical assistance provided by IACP to the sites as they implement ELERV; and (3) a concurrent evaluation conducted through the National Institute of Justice. With FY 2015 funding OVC will continue to support IACP through a noncompetitive grant to continue the progress that has been made in year one of this multi-year initiative. IACP will continue its work from year one and provide intensive technical assistance to the three competitively selected demonstration sites that will implement the ELERV Strategy. It is anticipated that in years three and four, IACP will work to revise the strategy and accompanying toolkit of resources, and develop a detailed strategy to provide technical assistance to law enforcement agencies around the country.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-IJ-CX-K002

Name Address of Recipient: CNA Corporation
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Recipient Project Director/Contact:

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Director, CAP

Phone: (703) 824-2082

Title of Program: FY 15 Research on Law Enforcement use of Common Operational Picture (COP) Technologies

Title of Project: FY 15 Research on Law Enforcement use of Common Operational Picture (COP) Technologies

Amount of Award: \$499,986

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: National Institute of Justice
Jessica Highland

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(NIJ - OS&T Gen.) 42 USC 3721-3723; 6 USC 161-165; 28 USC 530C

Impact/Focus: Research

CFDA Number 16.560

Project Description:

This award was competitively made in response to a proposal submitted by CNA to a National Institute of Justice FY 2015 solicitation: FY15 ¿Research on Law Enforcement Use of Common Operational Picture (COP) Technologies¿

CNA proposes a mixed-method study that will include (1) a national survey of law enforcement agencies to discern the types of COP technologies used in the field, (2) a technical review of COP technologies and their capabilities, and (3) a set of case studies intended to produce narratives of the COP technology adoption process as well as lessons learned and best practices regarding implementation and use of COP technologies. This study will involve five phases over two years: (1) preparation and technology review, (2) a national survey, (3) qualitative case studies (agency selection to be informed by the national survey), (4) analysis, and (5) development and dissemination of results.

This project contains a research and/or development component, as defined in applicable law.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-VF-GX-K045

Name Address of Recipient: Shelly L. Jackson
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Applicant

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Title of Program: FY 15 Victim Assistance Professional Development Fellowship Program: Elder Abuse and Financial Exploitation

Title of Project: FY 15 Victim Assistance Professional Development Fellowship Program: Elder Abuse and Financial Exploitation

Amount of Award: \$149,894 Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Office for Victims of Crime
Kathrina Peterson

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program 42 U.S.C. 10603 (c)(1)(A)

Impact/Focus: National CFDA Number 16.582

Project Description:

The Victim Assistance Professional Development Fellowship Program supports individuals to work in fellowship positions at the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) or designated location for a period of 1 year. Fellowship grantees each work in a particular topic area enhancing and extending OVC efforts to develop and replicate innovative programs that serve crime victims. OVC fellows support OVC staff through the provision of direct operational assistance to crime victim organizations and agencies and by contributing to the design and development of innovative initiatives, training programs, technical assistance, and capacity-building efforts.

With this award, Dr. Shelly L. Jackson will serve as a fellow in the Elder Justice Initiative (EJI) of the Department of Justice (Department) Civil Division, which provides resources to: victims of elder abuse and financial exploitation and their families, practitioners who serve those victims, law enforcement agencies and prosecutors who respond to victims of elder abuse and financial exploitation, and researchers seeking to understand and address elder abuse and financial exploitation. CA/NCF



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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-CD-BX-0039

Name Address of Recipient: Virgin Islands Department of Justice
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Acting Attorney General

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Title of Program: FY 15 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grants Program

Title of Project: FY 15 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grants Program

Amount of Award: \$63,705 Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: National Institute of Justice
Alan C Spanbauer

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(NIJ - Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement) 42 USC 3797j-3797o; 28 USC 530C

Impact/Focus: State CFDA Number 16.742

Project Description:

This proposal is being submitted by the Virgin Islands Department of Justice (VIDOJ) to receive funding under the 2015 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvements Grant Program. Funding from this grant will continue to assist VIDOJ in enhancing the forensic science services of the United States Virgin Islands and further build on past funding awards from the Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grants Program. Specifically, funding will assist in improving the quality, quantity and timeliness of forensic science services in the territory. Currently, the Department is completing the build out of a crime lab in the Virgin Islands. The overall impact of not having a complete crime lab in the territory is evident with trials that have been delayed due to evidence not being analyzed in a timely manner. The successful investigation and prosecution of crimes requires, in most cases, the timely collection, preservation and accurate forensic analysis of evidence, which is critical in demonstrating the defendant's guilt or innocence. Funding support from the National Institute of Justice will assist in implementing institutional changes that will be evident through the enhanced operations of VIDOJ's forensic science services. nca/ncf

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-MU-BX-1064

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Title of Program: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Title of Project: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$610,774 Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Gerardo Velazquez

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - JAG) 42 USC 3750, et seq.

Impact/Focus: Formula CFDA Number 16.738

Project Description:

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG) allows states and units of local government, including tribes, to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime based on their own state and local needs and conditions. Grant funds can be used for state and local initiatives, technical assistance, training, personnel, equipment, supplies, contractual support, and information systems for criminal justice, including for any one or more of the following program areas: 1) law enforcement programs; 2) prosecution and court programs; 3) prevention and education programs; 4) corrections and community corrections programs; 5) drug treatment and enforcement programs; 6) planning, evaluation, and technology improvement programs; and 7) crime victim and witness programs (other than compensation).

The Virgin Islands Law Enforcement Planning Commission (LEPC) will use its Fiscal Year 2015 JAG award to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of criminal justice systems, processes, and procedures in the Virgin Islands, and also to reduce crime. Funds will be used to support the following goals: improve the operational effectiveness of law enforcement using evidence-based and data driven efforts in reducing violent crime in the Virgin Islands; improve investigations and prosecution efforts for drugs and violent crimes as it relates to gangs and organized crime, and improve and expedite caseloads of non-violent offenders; increase funding assistance to communities and neighborhoods to prevent delinquency and reduce and deter juvenile crime; and improve correctional systems through innovative programs that address technology, education and skill-building programs.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-VA-GX-0050

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Recipient Project Director/Contact:

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Title of Program: FY 15 VOCA Victim Assistance Formula

Title of Project: FY 15 VOCA Victim Assistance Formula

Amount of Award: \$1,123,431 Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Office for Victims of Crime
DeLano Foster

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program 42 U.S.C. § 10603 (a)

Impact/Focus: State CFDA Number 16.575

Project Description:

This grant award provides funds from the Crime Victims Fund to enhance crime victim services in the State. Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) assistance funds are typically competitively awarded by the State to local community-based organizations that provide direct services to crime victims. NC/NCF

For more information about this grant, contact the Office of Justice Program's Office of Communications at 202/307-0703.



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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-VC-GX-0045

Name Address of Recipient: Virgin Islands Department of Human Services
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Recipient Project Director/Contact:

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Executive Secretary

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Title of Program: FY 15 VOCA Victim Compensation Formula

Title of Project: FY 15 VOCA Victim Compensation Formula

Amount of Award: \$163,000

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Office for Victims of Crime
DeLano Foster

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program 42 U.S.C. 10602(a)

Impact/Focus: State

CFDA Number 16.576

Project Description:

The grant award provides funds from the Crime Victims Fund to enhance State victim compensation payments to eligible crime victims. Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) compensation funds provide financial assistance to Federal and State victims of crime. NC/NCF

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-VF-GX-0053

Name Address of Recipient: Virgin Islands Law Enforcement Planning Commission
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Recipient Project Director/Contact:

Franz Christian

Director, LEPC

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Title of Program: FY 15 Victim Assistance Discretionary Grant Training Program for VOCA Victim Assistance Grantees
Invitational Letter

Title of Project: FY 15 Victim Assistance Discretionary Grant Training Program for VOCA Victim Assistance Grantees
Invitational Letter

Amount of Award: \$57,292 Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Office for Victims of Crime
DeLano Foster

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program 42 U.S.C. 10603 (c)(1)(A)

Impact/Focus: State CFDA Number 16.582

Project Description:

The purpose of this program is to provide each state and territory with funding to support training and technical assistance for victim assistance grantees and others who work with crime victims. CA/NCF

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-BJ-CX-K028

Name Address of Recipient: Vermont Department of Public Safety
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Recipient Project Director/Contact:

Keith Flynn
Commissioner

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Title of Program: BJS FY 15 State Justice Statistics Program for Statistical Analysis Centers, 2015

Title of Project: BJS FY 15 State Justice Statistics Program for Statistical Analysis Centers, 2015

Amount of Award: \$167,137

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Statistics
Terrance Q Ealey

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program 42 U.S.C. 3732 (BJS - general)

Impact/Focus: State

CFDA Number 16.550

Project Description:

The State Justice Statistics (SJS) Program is designed to maintain and enhance each state's capacity to address criminal justice issues through collection and analysis of data. The SJS Program provides support to each state to coordinate and conduct statistical activities within the state, conduct research to estimate impacts of legislative and policy changes, and serve as a liaison in assisting BJS to gather data from respondent agencies within their states.

The Vermont Department of Public Safety (DPS) is the State Administering Agency (SAA) for Vermont. On November 4, 2014, Governor Peter Shumlin signed Executive Order #06-14 designating DPS the Statistical Analysis Center (SAC) for the State of Vermont. Crime Research Group (CRG) is the research partner for DPS and will provide SAC services through a contract with DPS. Crime Research Group was contracted and selected for their expertise and prior experience with criminal justice efforts within the state under the now defunct Vermont Center for Justice Research (VCJR). Their efforts are to accomplish the following goals: 1) to collect and analyze criminal justice information; 2) to produce general information and statistical reports on crime, criminal offenders, and the administration of criminal justice; 3) to provide and coordinate technical assistance to the legislature and to state and local law enforcement agencies, the courts and corrections and 4) to create an evidence-based criminal justice system. The Deputy Commissioner of DPS oversees SAC services (including the CRG contract) and Criminal Justice Services Division, whose primary purpose is to provide administrative, information and technology support services.

Under this award, the VT SAC proposes three separate but related projects. The first project falls under the special emphasis program area and proposes to conduct an audit of the State's criminal history records. Since an audit has not been conducted in 20 years and has incurred upgrades and automation, the SAC proposes to audit its records to ensure that the criminal history records used in their research are complete and accurate. They anticipate that this audit will identify weaknesses and strengths in the current system as well



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as create a more robust process to improve efficiencies.

The two other projects proposed by the VT SAC are under the core capacity program area.

The Law Enforcement Data Access and Dissemination project main goal is to address the challenge that criminal justice researchers in Vermont have in relying on and improving the availability of valid and timely statewide crime data. Despite the fact that there are several automated police records/data systems in the state, all of these systems and analytical tools have serious limitations. The combination of valid and timely data with a limitation plagued system negates the ability of criminal justice researchers to collect and analyze statewide crime data. The process for sharing law enforcement data creates another challenge. The VIBRS and Valcour Advisory Boards act as the conduits for requests for law enforcement data. For statewide data, researchers need releases from all 70 law enforcement agencies granting permission which is a cumbersome and lengthy process. This proposal seeks to engage justice partners in a collaborative process that reflects and produces a standardized process for information sharing. The Results First cost benefit project is proposing to address the challenge that most states face ¿ which projects and programs do you invest funding to supporting criminal justice efforts. The VT SAC believes that the use of the Pew Approach (which has been in use since 2011) will improve the availability and enhance the reliability of the Vermont First Model. The improvement is all efforts to ensure that legislators and others have program information on program and cost effectiveness and ultimately, result in better decision making. (CA/NCF)

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-AW-BX-0039

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Recipient Project Director/Contact:

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Council Chairman

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Title of Program: Support for Adam Walsh Act Implementation Grant Program

Title of Project: Support for Adam Walsh Act Implementation Grant Program

Amount of Award: \$179,981

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering and Tracking Office
Marlon Daley

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(SMART - AWA/Sex Offender Management) 42 USC 16909, et seq.; Pub. L. No. 113-235, 128 Stat. 2130, 2193

Impact/Focus: Discretionary

CFDA Number 16.750

Project Description:

The Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006 (AWA) (42 U.S.C. § 16909, et seq.; Pub. L. 113-235, 128 Stat. 2130, 2193) authorizes the Office of Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering, and Tracking (SMART) to administer sex offender management grants. These grants assist states, the District of Columbia, U.S. principal territories and tribal jurisdictions in developing and/or enhancing sex offender registration and notification programs that support substantial implementation of Title I of the AWA, known as the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (SORNA). SORNA was enacted to protect the public from convicted sex offenders and offenders against children by establishing a comprehensive national system for the registration of those offenders.

The Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation plans to maintain and continually improve their sex offender registration program by hiring a Corrections Officer to conduct sex offender compliance checks on known sex offenders and to contact unregistered sex offenders. Further, the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation will improve in-depth compliance requirements for supervised sex offenders according to their risk level and federal regulations. Additionally, they will increase accessibility to the Tribe and Territory Sex Offender Registry System website and create Reservation-specific materials for education and presentations at local schools. Also, the Tribe will conduct public education focused on sex offender registration requirements. ca/ncf



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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-DN-BX-K073

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Title of Program: FY 15 Research and Development in Forensic Science for Criminal Justice Purposes

Title of Project: FY 15 Research and Development in Forensic Science for Criminal Justice Purposes

Amount of Award: \$517,243

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: National Institute of Justice
Gregory Dutton

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(NIJ - S&LLEA DNA/Other Forensics) Pub. L. No. 113-235, 128 Stat. 2130, 2193; 28 USC 530C

Impact/Focus: Research

CFDA Number 16.560

Project Description:

As submitted by the proposer:

Compared to many other forensic sciences, the scientific footing of fire investigations still lacks behind and there is plenty of room for improvements with the potential to more clearly identify the causes of a fire and avoid potential convictions based upon flawed evidence.

The purpose of this project is to provide fire and arson scene investigators with a new tool for more reliable temperature measurements during fire testing/modeling and during forensic investigations. In particular, our goal is to demonstrate the feasibility of our temperature sensors, embedded in wall paint, as a means to measure and record temperature during fire events. This effort requires verification of the reliability, process development for sensor recovery, calibration for a range of temperatures and heating durations, identifying the effect of fire-fighting measures, testing at the ATF Fire Research Laboratory (Dr. David T. Sheppard), and comparison with fire modeling results.

Since 2010 the PI and his research group have been engaged by the Defense Threat Reduction Agency to develop nanophase temperature sensors capable of measuring and recording the temperature inside explosions. The temperature sensors consist of wet-chemically synthesized precursors of luminescent particles. These particles are doped with rare-earth ions such as europium (Eu), which can emit fluorescent light. The specific spectral shape of the emission is indicative of the morphology of the nanoparticles. When exposed to heat, the precursors decompose and crystallize, transitioning from an amorphous compound into a crystalline compound, followed by grain growth. These morphological changes are reflected by changes in the optical spectra which can be correlated with the



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temperature. These nanophase temperature sensors have been successfully tested at the Naval Surface Warfare Center ı Indian Head.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-VF-GX-0058

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Title of Program: FY 15 Victim Assistance Discretionary Grant Training Program for VOCA Victim Assistance Grantees
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Title of Project: FY 15 Victim Assistance Discretionary Grant Training Program for VOCA Victim Assistance Grantees
Invitational Letter

Amount of Award: \$535,381 Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Office for Victims of Crime
Deserea Jackson

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program 42 U.S.C. 10603 (c)(1)(A)

Impact/Focus: State CFDA Number 16.582

Project Description:

The purpose of this program is to provide each state and territory with funding to support training and technical assistance for victim assistance grantees and others who work with crime victims. CA/NCF

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-DY-BX-K006

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Title of Program: FY 15 Postconviction Testing of DNA Evidence to Exonerate the Innocent

Title of Project: FY 15 Postconviction Testing of DNA Evidence to Exonerate the Innocent

Amount of Award: \$633,170

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: National Institute of Justice
Gregory Dutton

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY14(NIJ - Post-Conviction DNA Testing) Pub. L. No. 113-76, 128 Stat. 5, 63; 28 USC 530C

Impact/Focus: State

CFDA Number 16.820

Project Description:

As submitted by the proposer:

The Wisconsin Innocence Project (WIP) will implement a program to identify and secure DNA testing of evidence in cases of Hispanic inmates claiming to be innocent. Under-representation of Hispanics suggests a systemic problem in serving the Hispanic population. Data both from Wisconsin and nationally reveals that Hispanic prisoners are represented by innocence organizations and exonerated by DNA at rates that are consistently well below their rate of conviction and imprisonment. While language and cultural barriers likely account for much of this, precisely what explains this discrepancy is largely unexplored. Our program seeks to target the Hispanic population to remedy this situation and study and address the causes of the underrepresentation of Hispanics among exonerees. WIP's extensive experience in representing the wrongfully convicted and in using DNA testing to do so, and our access to Spanish-speaking lawyers, students, and translators, makes us the ideal institution to address this problem. The program will begin by conducting outreach efforts in Wisconsin prisons to identify Hispanic individuals claiming innocence. Each of the claims will be reviewed by an Intake Specialist to determine if the case is appropriate for investigation. Investigations will be conducted by faculty attorneys and law students to determine if DNA testing is appropriate. In appropriate cases, WIP will work with prosecutors and courts to obtain DNA testing. In addition to exonerating members of the Hispanic community, this program will provide insight into the barriers Hispanics inmates face when seeking assistance. From this experience, WIP will be able to begin working to remove these barriers in Wisconsin and around the nation.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION		Grant Number: 2015-RU-BX-K023	
Name Address of Recipient:		Wisconsin Department of Justice 17 W. Main St.	
City, State Zip:		Madison, Wisconsin 53707-7857	
Recipient Project Director/Contact: Bonnie Cyganek Administrator, Div. of Management S			
Phone: (608) 261-4374			
Title of Program:		BJS FY 15 National Criminal History Improvement Program (NCHIP)	
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Amount of Award:		\$1,686,348	Date of Award: 09/23/2015
Awarding Agency:		Bureau of Justice Statistics Ron Planty	
Supplement:		No	
Statutory Authority for Program		42 U.S.C. 14601 (BJS - Crime Identification Technology Act)	
Impact/Focus: National		CFDA Number 16.554	
Project Description: The goal of the National Criminal History Improvement Program (NCHIP) is to improve the Nation's safety and security by enhancing the quality, completeness, and accessibility of criminal history record information and by insuring the nationwide implementation of criminal justice and noncriminal justice background check systems. BJS provides direct financial and technical assistance to the states to improve criminal history and other related records and to build their infrastructure to connect to national record check systems both to supply information and to conduct the requisite checks. Under the 2015 NCHIP priority area 1, updating and automating case outcomes in state records and the FBI's Criminal History File, the Wisconsin Department of Justice (WIDJ) will upgrade the state's Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS). Wisconsin's computerized criminal history database contains detailed information of arrests, arrest charges, prosecutions, court findings and sentences, and state correctional system admissions and releases that are required to be submitted to the WIDJ. All information in the database is linked to specific fingerprint records submitted by arresting law enforcement agencies and stored in the state's AFIS. Wisconsin received 185,028 fingerprint submissions in 2014 consisting of 25% felonies, 51% misdemeanors, 22% non-criminal and 2% with an unknown severity. Wisconsin's AFIS system was first installed in 1993, and major upgrades to the system occurred in 2003 and in 2009-10. In addition to increasing database capacity, the latest upgrade included lights-out processing, including automated transactions between the various WIDJ system interfaces. The WIDJ is currently facing a need to upgrade its AFIS system once again. As a result of a recent analysis, Wisconsin's AFIS system will need to be upgraded structurally and increase capacity to avoid missing key reporting benchmarks. In addition to increasing storage size, this upgrade will offer additional functionality and support the Federal Bureau of Investigation's latest Next Generation Identification (NGI) specifications. This upgrade would include implementing the latest FBI			



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Electronic Biometric Standards (EBTS), which would replace the current Wisconsin standard.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-VF-GX-K002

Name Address of Recipient: National Association of VOCA Assistance Administrators, UA
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Title of Program: FY 15 2016 National Crime Victims' Rights Week Community Awareness Projects Competitive Solicitation

Title of Project: FY 15 2016 National Crime Victims' Rights Week Community Awareness Projects Competitive Solicitation

Amount of Award: \$375,000

Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Office for Victims of Crime
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Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program 42 U.S.C. 10603 (c)(1)(A)

Impact/Focus: National

CFDA Number 16.582

Project Description:

The purpose of this award is to allow the National Association of VOCA Assistance Administrators (NAVAA) to implement the National Crime Victims' Rights Week (NCVRW) Community Awareness Project in coordination with NCVRW 2016. This program furthers the Department's mission by supporting public awareness and community outreach and education activities for crime victims' rights and services. NAVAA will offer limited technical assistance to selected projects to enhance their ability to promote community collaboration and publicize their local NCVRW events.

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GRANT NOTIFICATION		Grant Number: 2015-VF-GX-K009	
Name Address of Recipient:		National Association of VOCA Assistance Administrators, UA 5702 Old Sauk Road	
City, State Zip:		Madison, Wisconsin 53705-2502	
Recipient Project Director/Contact: Steve Derene Executive Director Phone: (608) 233-2245			
Title of Program:		FY 15 National Joint Training Conference for VOCA Victim Assistance and Victim Compensation Administrators Competitive Solicitation	
Title of Project:		FY 15 National Joint Training Conference for VOCA Victim Assistance and Victim Compensation Administrators Competitive Solicitation	
Amount of Award: \$175,000		Date of Award: 09/23/2015	
Awarding Agency:		Office for Victims of Crime M A Berry	
Supplement:		No	
Statutory Authority for Program		42 U.S.C. 10603 (c)(1)(A)	
Impact/Focus: National		CFDA Number 16.582	
Project Description: The National Association of VOCA Assistance Administrators (NAVAA) and the National Association of Crime Victim Compensation Boards (NACVCB) propose conducting a 2-1/2 day joint training conference in the fall of 2016 for the managers, staff and board members of the 56 jurisdictions that administer VOCA victim assistance grants and the 53 state crime victim compensation programs. The purpose of the project will be to provide participants with current information essential to complying with their responsibilities as managers of VOCA victim assistance and/or crime victim compensation grants, up-to-date Federal grant requirements, current public policy and funding issues, new developments in the provision of victim services, including outreach to underserved and other targeted victim populations and with opportunities for the exchange information and views regarding management and programmatic policies, procedures and strategies among colleagues. CA/NCF For more information about this grant, contact the Office of Justice Program's Office of Communications at 202/307-0703.			



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GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-MU-BX-1050

Name Address of Recipient: Wyoming Office of the Attorney General
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Title of Program: FY 15 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - State Solicitation

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Amount of Award: \$511,196 Date of Award: 09/23/2015

Awarding Agency: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Geislia Barnes

Supplement: No

Statutory Authority for Program FY15(BJA - JAG) 42 USC 3750, et seq.

Impact/Focus: Formula CFDA Number 16.738

Project Description:

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG) allows states and units of local government, including tribes, to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime based on their own state and local needs and conditions. Grant funds can be used for state and local initiatives, technical assistance, training, personnel, equipment, supplies, contractual support, and information systems for criminal justice, including for any one or more of the following program areas: 1) law enforcement programs; 2) prosecution and court programs; 3) prevention and education programs; 4) corrections and community corrections programs; 5) drug treatment and enforcement programs; 6) planning, evaluation, and technology improvement programs; and 7) crime victim and witness programs (other than compensation).

The Wyoming Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) will utilize funding from this solicitation towards the five Regional Drug Enforcement Teams that are geographically located throughout the state. DCI currently has 28 Agents and 25 Task Force Officers (TFOs) assigned to the five Regional Drug Enforcement Teams, who work on a daily basis coordinating drug investigative information with local, state and federal counterparts. All allocations from this award will be utilized towards funding local law enforcement officers/deputies for assignment to each of the five enforcement teams, in addition to providing overtime funding for TFOs investigating drug and violent crimes. This will increase local law enforcement participation, coordination and cooperation for the drug team that focus enforcement efforts in their respective region. In addition, all five Regional Drug Enforcement Teams assist local law enforcement with traditional and violent crime investigations, when requested. The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Formula Program, State Solicitation Grant enables DCI to add critical TFO support to the drug enforcement teams, increasing investigations, arrests, drug seizures, money seizures, and successful prosecutions.

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