



**U.S. Department of Justice**

**Bureau of Justice Grants**

**FY 2027 President's Budget Request**

## Overview

As part of its reorganization plan, the Department plans to consolidate the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), the Office of Justice Programs (OJP), and the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) into a single grants component named the Bureau of Justice Grants (BJG).

The BJG is headed by an Assistant Attorney General (AAG), who will be appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate. The AAG oversees the programs currently in COPS, OJP, and OVW. The AAG also oversees grants operations and management.

The FY 2027 budget request for the consolidated grants component totals \$3.1 billion in discretionary funding, \$2.1 billion in mandatory funding, and 876 positions. These amounts are the sums of funding and personnel for COPS, OJP, and OVW.

The Department's reorganization of COPS, OJP, and OVW into a single, consolidated grants component has multiple goals that will empower COPS, OJP, and OVW to provide more funding and more support to their constituencies, by increasing efficiencies and increasing access to the broader universe of Departmental grant funds. The consolidation will create process and cost efficiencies and improve partnerships with State, local, Tribal, and other community stakeholders.

The BJG aims to improve services to the field and decrease grantee burden in accessing the Department's grants; reduce bureaucracy, create efficiencies, and reduce administrative costs; use these efficiencies to increase the amount of funding that is awarded to grantees; and create a single point of contact in DOJ for all grant matters, through the consolidated component's AAG.

The Department's consolidation plans have already led to opportunities to make the grants application process less burdensome for grantees. COPS, OJP, and OVW are collaborating to create a single Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) template that is expected to be used for all Departmental grants, and they are reviewing if consolidation of NOFOs is possible so that an applicant can apply for multiple grants through a single application. In addition, COPS, OJP, and OVW are streamlining grant management processes such that all three organizations will utilize a uniform grant review and administration framework. The Department also expects that consolidation of administration services will generate potential cost efficiencies, which will allow more funding to be awarded to grantees.

COPS, OJP, and OVW each have important constituencies and provide vital funding to communities. Through this consolidation, each program office in BJG will maintain their branding. This reorganization prioritizes grants to law enforcement, victims of domestic violence, and other community stakeholders by using efficiencies to increase the grant funding available to these communities.

The FY 2027 budget request for the consolidated grants component includes \$348.6 million in discretionary program increases and \$1.7 billion in discretionary program decreases.

The following pages provide detailed information about COPS, OJP, and OVW.