From: Kristi Remington <(b) (6)

To: "(b)(6) - Chad Mizelle Email Address (b)(6) - Chad Mizelle Email Address", "(b)(6) - Maureen Henneberg Email Address (b)(6) - Maureen Henneberg Email Address", "(b)(6) - Brian Nieves Email Address (b)(6) - Brian Nieves Email Address"

Subject: [EXTERNAL] LE Letter re Violence Prevention and Victims Services

Date: Mon, 16 Jun 2025 08:39:49 -0400

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Attachments: Law_Enforcement_Ltr_6_13_25.pdf;
Survey_of_Likely_Voters_on_Safety_Services_Shows_Republican_and_2024_Trump_Voters_Support_Federal_Funding_for_Violence_Prevention_Programs_and_Victim_Services.pdf

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I am reaching out to pass along a letter to Attorney General Bondi from several law enforcement groups and current/retired law enforcement officials regarding funding for violence prevention and victims services. Also attached is a survey done by McLaughlin & Associates on the overwhelming public support for funding such services. While there is recognition that budgets must be trimmed down, the letter stresses that violence prevention and victims services help prevent the cycle of violence in American communities.

Kind regards,

Kristi Remington
S-3 Group
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June 13, 2025

The Honorable Pamela Bondi
Attorney General of the United States
U.S. Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20530

Via Email

Dear Attorney General Bondi:

As dedicated public servants—law enforcement professionals and public safety leaders—we are reaching out to you today with one unified message: America's communities need the proven tools that keep neighborhoods safe, assist victims, support law enforcement, and reduce violent crime.

We're deeply concerned by the Department of Justice's decision on April 22, 2025, to terminate public safety grants, including many under the Community Violence Intervention and Prevention Initiative (CVIPI). This decision disrupts partnerships that are saving lives and detrimentally impacts critical work done in concert with law enforcement agencies in some of the nation's most violence-stricken areas.

CVIPI received historic support through the passage of the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act, which was co-sponsored by our current Secretary of State, then Senator Marco Rubio.

police, first responders, hospitals, faith-based groups, and local community organizations to reduce violence at the street level, strengthening the fight against gun violence, gang activity, and other violent crime that too often spills over to neighboring communities.

for all. This success is not just a public safety

From hospital-based intervention programs that cut repeat gun injuries in half, to street outreach programs that de-escalate violence before it erupts, CVI strategies help law enforcement do what they're trained to do: protect and serve. These initiatives reduce repeat crimes, lighten investigative caseloads, and build critical trust between officers and the communities they risk their lives to protect.

The data back this up. Cities like New York, Baltimore, and Chicago have seen double-digit reductions in shootings and homicides because of these programs. Officers are safer. And communities, neighborhoods, and streets are safer.

We have seen in real time that CVI programs working to support law enforcement agencies in responding to violence enhance officer safety. These programs reduce the number of high-risk incidents officers must face alone, often prevent the cyclical nature of retaliatory violence, and bolster the broader capacity of law enforcement to address public safety needs more effectively. As you know, police departments across the country are facing real challenges—staffing shortages, burnout, and an increasingly complex public safety landscape. Cutting off programs that *help* law enforcement is a step backward at the worst possible time. These aren't feel-good programs; they're lifesaving, law-enforcement-enhancing strategies that *work.*

Attorney General Bondi, you've always stood for strong effective policing, the availability of services and assistance for victims, and safer streets. This is a moment to affirm that commitment by restoring the CVIPI grants. Doing so isn't just good public policy—it's a clear stand for the safety of every American community, from major cities to rural towns.

We urge you to act swiftly to reinstate this vital funding. The safety of officers and the communities they serve depends on it.

With respect,

National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE)
National Association of Women Law Enforcement Executives (NAWLEE)
Hispanic American Police Command Association (HAPCOA)
Law Enforcement Action Partnership (LEAP)
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Chief Karl Jacobson, New Haven, CT
Chief Chad Kasmer, Tucson, AZ
Chief Brian O'Hara, Minneapolis, MN

Chief Paul Humphrey, Louisville, KY
Chief Todd Schmaderer, Omaha, NE
Chief Shon Barnes, Seattle, WA
Chief Keith Humphrey, University of Memphis (TN)

Deputy Chief Emada E. Tingirides, Los Angeles Police Department (CA)
Captain Charlie Fields, Cedar Rapids Police Department (IA)
Chief Gina V. Hawkins (Ret.)
Chief Charles H. Ramsey (Ret.)
Chief Carmen Best (Ret.)
Chief Rodney Bryant (Ret.)
Chief Murphy Paul (Ret.)
Chief Michael Harrison (Ret.)
Chief Jason Armstrong (Ret.)
Chief Ronal W. Serpas (Ret.)

cc: Todd Blanche, Deputy Attorney General
Chad Mizelle, Acting Associate Attorney General
Maureen Henneberg, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Justice Programs
The Honorable Chuck Grassley, Chair, Senate Judiciary Committee
The Honorable Dick Durbin, Ranking Member, Senate Judiciary Committee
The Honorable Jim Jordan, Chair, House Judiciary Committee
The Honorable Jamie Raskin, Ranking Member, House Judiciary Committee

McLaughlin & Associates

To:
From: **Brian Larkin – McLaughlin & Associates**
Re: **National Survey of Likely Voters – Survey Summary**

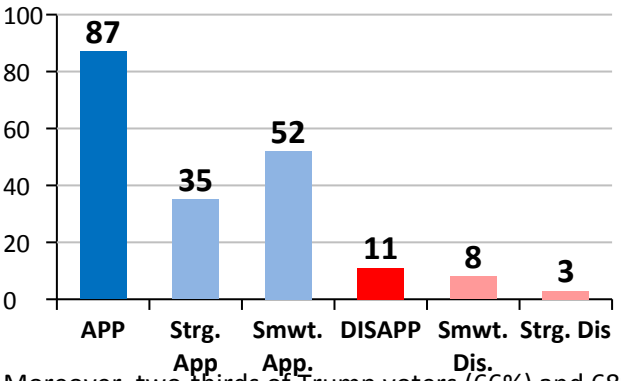
Survey of Likely Voters on Safety Services Shows Republican and 2024 Trump Voters Support Federal Funding for Violence Prevention Programs and Victim Services

Mclaughlin and Associates conducted a survey of likely voters across the US and found strong majorities support the use of federal funding for violence prevention and victim services. This memo highlights the findings for likely voters who voted for Trump in the 2024 general election and likely voters who are affiliated with the Republican Party. Republican voters and people who voted for Trump in 2024 oppose cuts to victim services and violence prevention programs. These voters believe violence prevention and victim services are essential public safety programs that should receive federal funding and are important to protect from federal cuts.

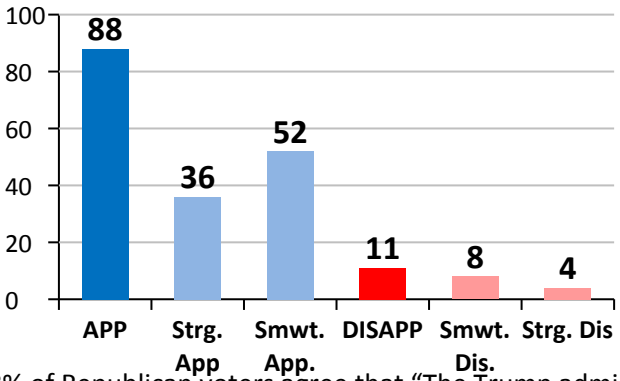
With near unanimity at 87% and 88% respectively, Trump and Republican voters approve of "Federal funding for violence prevention programs and victim services."

Do you approve or disapprove of federal funding for violence prevention programs and victim services?

Trump Voters



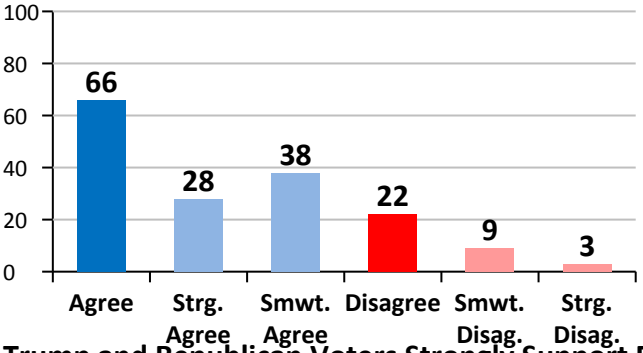
Republican Voters

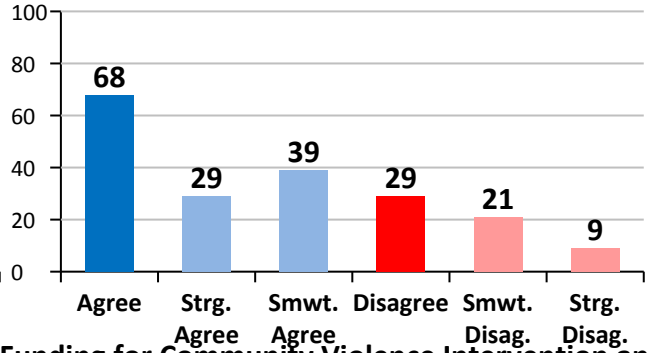


Moreover, two-thirds of Trump voters (66%) and 68% of Republican voters agree that "The Trump administration and the Department of Justice should ***reinstate funding*** for victim services, community violence prevention programs and youth outreach."

Agree/Disagree: "The Trump administration and the Department of Justice should reinstate funding for victim services, community violence prevention programs and youth outreach."

Trump Voters ***Republican Voters***





Trump and Republican Voters Strongly Support Funding for Community Violence Intervention and Youth Services:

Youth violence prevention programs, law enforcement and community partnerships, and community violence intervention programs all contribute to violence mitigation and safer communities. Likely voters strongly support law enforcement AND other measures to alleviate pressure on police departments by stopping violence before it happens.

- *Trump and Republican voters consider community violence intervention programs that train residents in conflict mediation, peer counseling and community safety essential for public safety and should be protected from cuts.*
  - Fifty-nine percent (59%) of Trump voters and 58% of Republican voters say these programs are essential
  - Fifty-six percent (56%) of Trump voters and 56% Republican voters say these programs should be protected from cuts

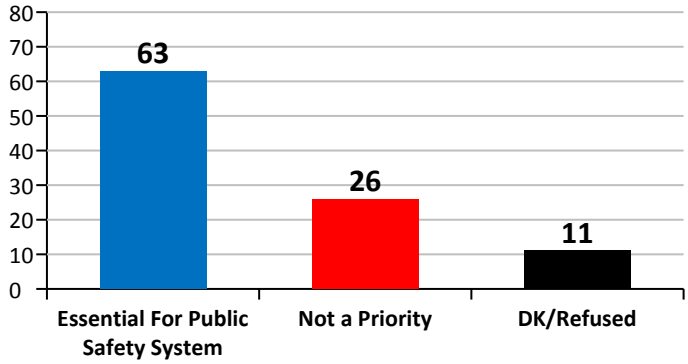
- *Trump and Republican voters consider youth programs that prevent delinquency and gang activity, and promote schooling, education and job training essential for public safety and should be protected from cuts.*
  - Seventy-five percent (75%) of Trump voters and 76% of Republican voters say these programs are essential
  - Sixty-six percent (66%) of Trump and 66% Republican voters say these programs should be protected from cuts

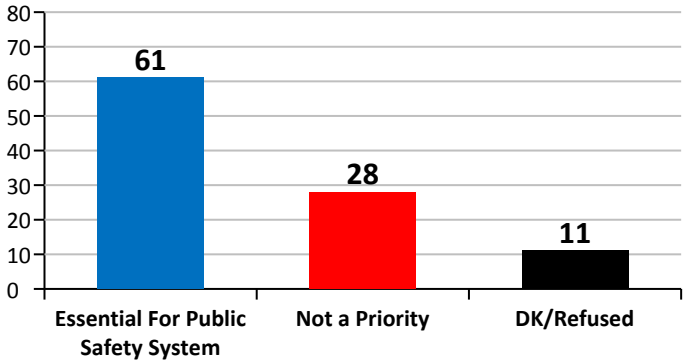
- Sixty-three percent (63%) of Trump voters and 61% of Republican voters agree *"Strong neighborhood programs that can prevent violence, help reduce pressures on law enforcement agencies and reduce crime are essential for a strong public safety system."*

Which of the following statements comes closest to your own personal opinion: *"Strong neighborhood programs that can prevent violence, help reduce pressures on law enforcement agencies and reduce crime are essential for a strong public safety system," OR "Strong neighborhood programs that can prevent violence should not be a public safety priority for government investment."*?

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Trump and Republican Voters Strongly Support Funding for Victim Services, Including Trauma Recovery Centers:

In the current political environment, where crime has been highlighted by public figures, Trump and Republican voters show a heightened awareness of its impact on victims and the importance of funding services to help victims recover. Voters believe helping victims recover from trauma, physical injury, and economic loss are an essential component of public safety.

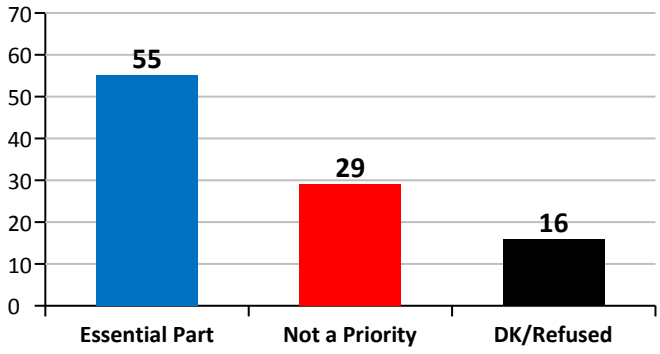
- Trump and Republican voters consider trauma recovery centers for victims of violence, rape, and abuse essential for public safety and should be protected from cuts.
    - Seventy-five percent (75%) of Trump voters and 75% Republican voters say trauma recovery centers are essential.
    - Seventy-two percent (72%) of Trump voters and 73% of Republican voters say trauma recovery centers should be protected from cuts.

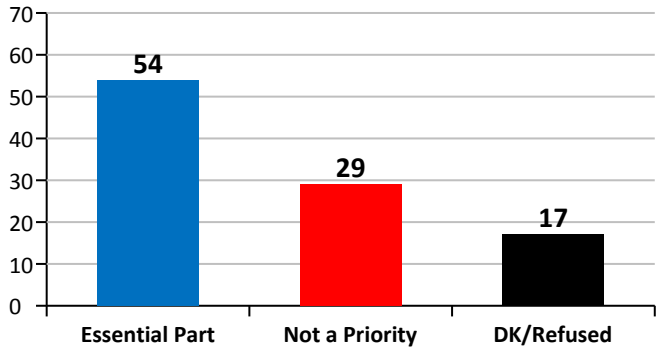
- Fifty-five percent (55%) of Trump voters and 54% of Republican voters agree "Services for victims of violent crime that help them recover from economic loss, physical injury and trauma are an essential part of crime reduction and public safety programs."

Which of the following statements comes closest to your own personal opinion: "Services for victims of violent crime that help them recover from economic loss, physical injury and trauma are an essential part of crime reduction and public safety programs," OR "Services for victims of violent crime that help them recover from economic loss, physical injury and trauma should not be a public safety priority for government investment."?

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Trump and Republican Voters Strongly Support Funding for Domestic Violence Victim Services:

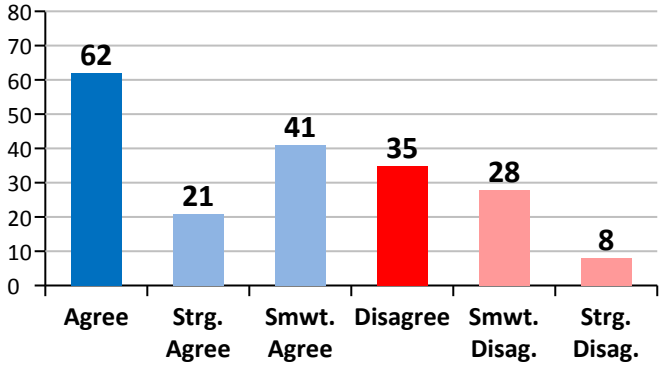
Trump and Republican voters strongly agree that victims of domestic violence deserve the utmost support. Preserving funding and services for victims of domestic violence is considered one of the most important goals of the government and private organizations that support these victims.

- Trump voters and Republican voters consider emergency shelter for victims of domestic violence essential for public safety and should be protected from cuts.
    - Seventy-six percent (76%) of Trump voters and 74% of Republican voters say these programs are essential
    - Seventy-one percent (71%) of Trump voters and 71% of Republican voters say these programs should be protected from federal cuts

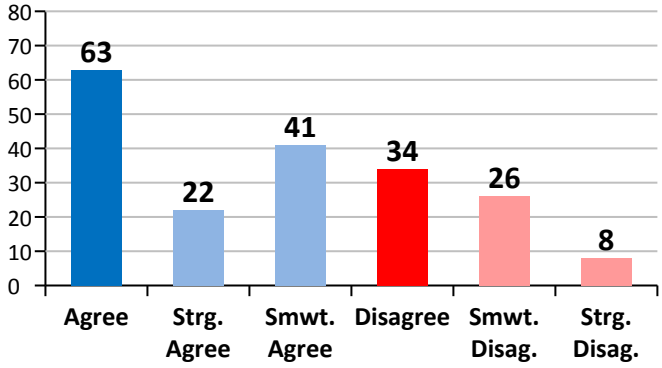
- Sixty-two percent (62%) of Trump voters and 63% of Republican voters agree "Cutting funding for victim services will result in the loss of counseling for victims and their families, safe housing for victims of domestic violence, and increase the odds of repeated violence."

Agree / Disagree: "Cutting funding for victim services will result in the loss of counseling for victims and their families, safe housing for victims of domestic violence, and increase the odds of repeated violence."

Trump Voters



Republican Voters



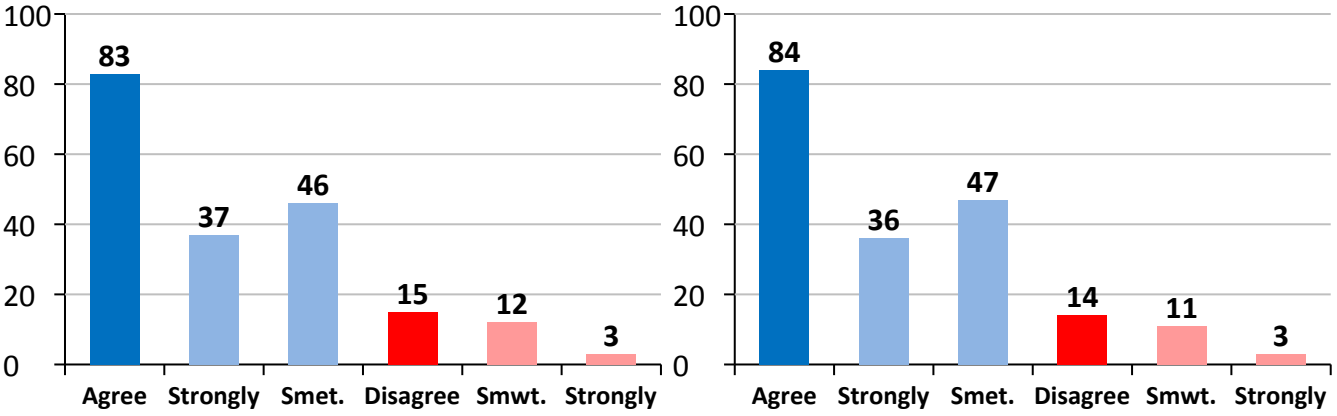
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Trump Voters and Republican Voters Strongly Support Law Enforcement Partnerships with Community Programs:

Trump voters and Republican voters believe that community programs can help law enforcement. Overwhelmed police departments need strong neighborhood programs that can address crises like drug addiction, mental illness and at-risk youth so those issues don't become problems police have to deal with.

- Eighty-three percent (83%) of Trump voters and 84% of Republican voters agree that "There is no one size fits all solution to violence and crime. It requires strong neighborhood programs such as community violence prevention programs and victim services, as well as effective law enforcement response."

Trump Voters ***Republican Voters***

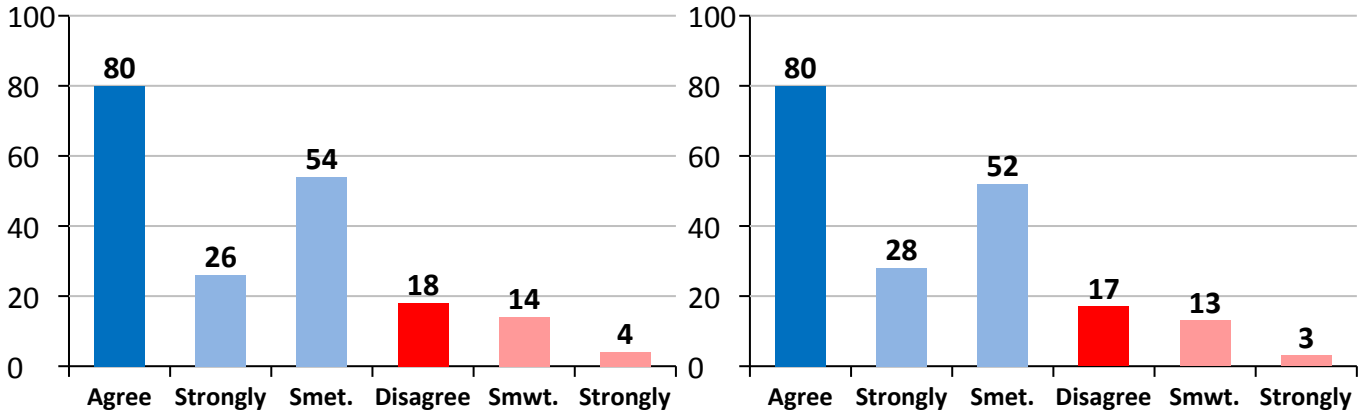


- Eighty percent (80%) of Trump voters and 80% Republican voters agree that "Federal funding for public safety should be used for police and community partnerships that are proven to work, such as community violence prevention programs and trauma recovery services."

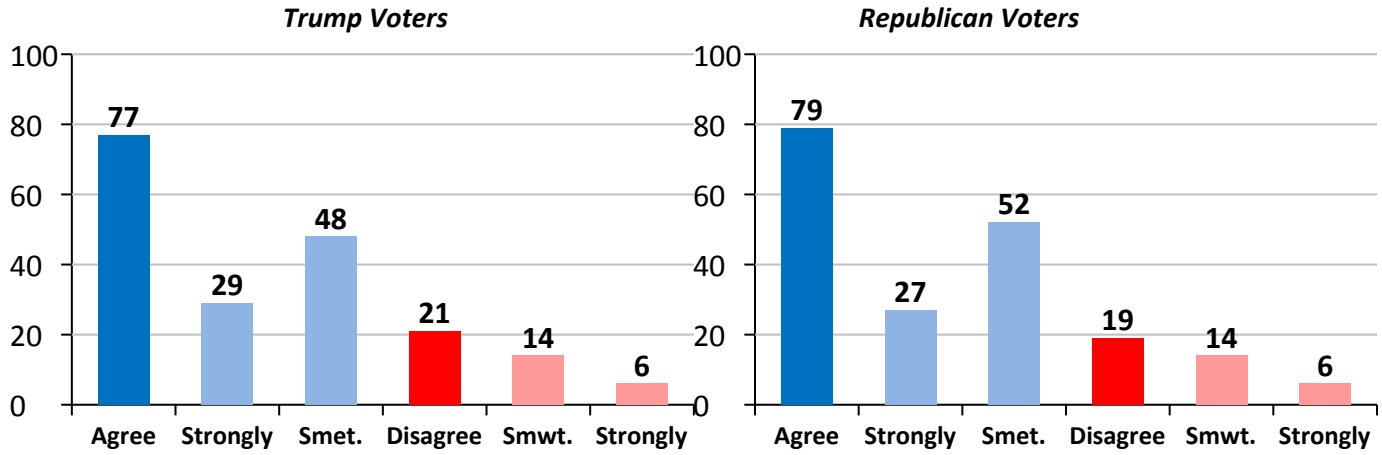
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- Seventy-seven percent (77%) of Trump voters and 79% of Republican voters agree that "Police cannot stop cycles of violence on their own. Neighborhood programs that prevent violence and provide crisis assistance are an important part of crime prevention."



Conclusion:

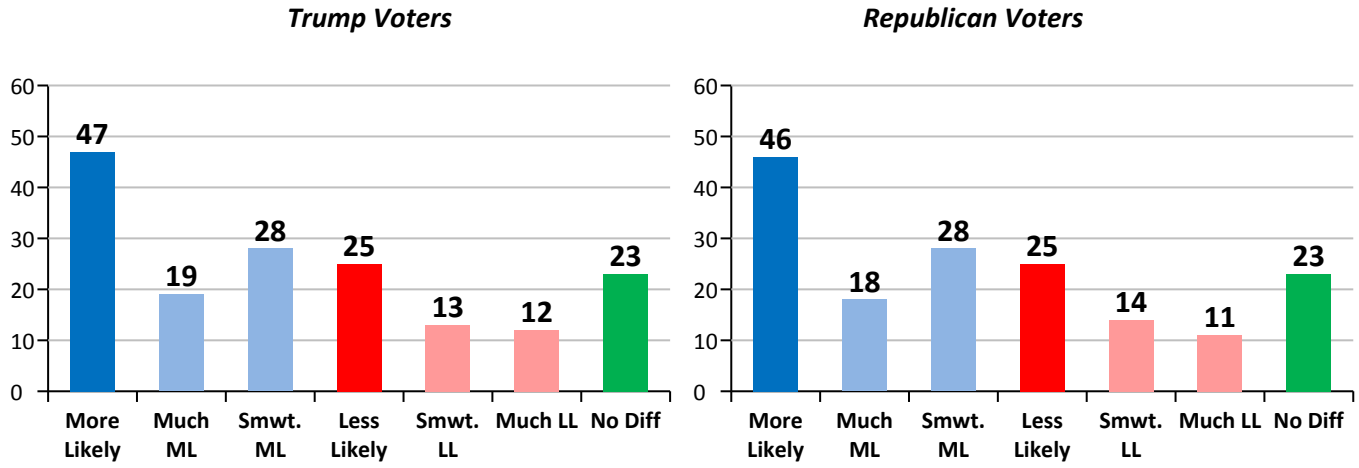
After being informed about the scale of the April 2025 grant terminations, 66% of Trump voters and 68% of Republican voters agreed that the "Trump administration and the Department of Justice should reinstate funding for victim services, community violence prevention programs and youth outreach."

Additionally, by a nearly two to one margin, Trump Voters (47% vs 25%) and Republican voters (46% vs 25%) were more likely to vote for a candidate who supports using taxpayers' money to support policies that reduce crime and support victim service than they were less likely.

Are you more likely or less likely to vote for a candidate who supports using taxpayers' money on programs to reduce crime and support victim service programs? If it would make no difference, just say so.

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Methodology:

McLaughlin & Associates conducted a national online survey of 1,000 likely voters from May 5 – 12, 2025, on behalf of the Alliance for Safety and Justice. A personalized text message invitation was sent to each respondent to complete the survey on a secure online platform. Interview selection was random and interviews were stratified by area, race/ethnicity, age, gender and vote history to correlate with actual voter turnout from previous even-year elections. In order to qualify for this survey, respondents had to indicate that they are likely to vote in U.S. Senate and House elections. This memo reports the results for 468 respondents who voted for Trump in the 2024 General Election and 370 respondents who are likely Republican voters. This survey of 1,000 likely voters has an accuracy of +/- 3.1% at a 95% confidence interval. The error margin increases for cross-tabulations. Totals may not add up to exactly 100% due to rounding errors.

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From: "Baran, Virginia (OVW)" <(b) (6)
To: "Henneberg, Maureen (OJP)" <(b) (6) "Mizelle, Chad (OAG)" <(b) (6)
Cc: "Merkle, Phillip (OJP)" <(b) (6) "Madan, Rafael A. (OJP)" <(b) (6) "Johnson, Rachel (OJP)" <(b) (6) "Allen, Lara (OJP)" <(b) (6) "Chapman, Robert (COPS)" <(b) (6) "Roos, Nick (ODAG)" <(b) (6) (b) (6) OVW)" <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Grant Freeze Memo - Request for Clarification
Date: Fri, 24 Jan 2025 19:33:19 -0500
Importance: Normal

Thanks for including me, Maureen, and good evening, Chad,

I've reviewed the GRANT FREEZE memo, and before OVW takes any action I want to be certain that I understand precisely what steps you have directed OVW to take. I have some questions in addition to Maureen's.

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I am reachable this weekend and available for a call.

Thank you.

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From: Henneberg, Maureen (OJP) <(b) (6)
Sent: Friday, January 24, 2025 7:09 PM
To: Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Merkle, Phillip (OJP) <(b) (6) Madan, Rafael A. (OJP) <(b) (6) Johnson,

Rachel (OJP) <(b) (6) Allen, Lara (OJP) <(b) (6) Baran, Virginia (OVW) <(b) (6) Chapman, Robert (COPS) <(b) (6) Roos, Nick (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Grant Freeze Memo - Request for Clarification

Hello Chad –

In hopes that it would be helpful to inform the discussion, I am sending along a preview of some of our questions:

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Appreciate the opportunity to discuss as we work through the issues to achieve the end goal.

Thank you,
Maureen

From: Henneberg, Maureen (OJP)
Sent: Friday, January 24, 2025 5:41 PM
To: Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: Grant Freeze Memo - Request for Clarification

Hello Chad – I am pleased that we will have the opportunity to work together again. We have just received the memo from Jolene on freezing grant funds. Are you available to discuss some clarifying questions? If so, I am available at (b) (6)

Thank you, Maureen

Maureen A. Henneberg
Deputy Assistant Attorney General
U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs
Desk: (b) (6)
Mobile: (b) (6)
Email: (b) (6)

From: "Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG)" <(b) (6)
To: "Mizelle, Chad (OAG)" <(b) (6) "Manion, Jason (OASG)" <(b) (6)
Cc: "Henricks, Aaron (ODAG)" <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Meeting re:Grants Update
Date: Mon, 10 Mar 2025 12:34:23 -0400
Importance: Normal

Here are a few examples of the grants we propose terminating. In all, we are targeting (b) (5) I have a spreadsheet with all of them which I can send, but its 20mb. Also wanted to flag that OJP will need about (b) (5)

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From: Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, March 10, 2025 10:21 AM
To: Mizelle, Chad (OAG); Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG); Manion, Jason (OASG)
Cc: Henricks, Aaron (ODAG)
Subject: Meeting re:Grants Update
When: Tuesday, March 11, 2025 9:00 AM-9:30 AM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).
Where: CM Office 5111

From: "Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG)" <(b) (6)
To: "Whitaker, Henry (OAG)" <(b) (6) "Dhillon, Harmeet K. (CRT)" <(b) (6) "Manion, Jason (OASG)" <(b) (6) "Bhirud, Ketan (ODAG)" <(b) (6) "Morrison, Jeffrey (CRT)" <(b) (6) "Lea, Brian (OASG)" <(b) (6) "Perkins, Paul (ODAG)" <(b) (6) "Kambli, Abhishek (OASG)" <(b) (6)
Cc: "Mizelle, Chad (OAG)" <(b) (6) "Jahreis, Hannah (OAG)" <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Harvard meeting
Date: Mon, 21 Apr 2025 22:28:20 -0400
Importance: Normal

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Happy to be on the call to talk through this as needed.

From: Whitaker, Henry (OAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, April 21, 2025 9:12 PM
To: Dhillon, Harmeet K. (CRT) <(b) (6) Manion, Jason (OASG) <(b) (6) Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Bhirud, Ketan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Morrison, Jeffrey (CRT) <(b) (6) Lea, Brian (OASG) <(b) (6) Perkins, Paul (ODAG) <(b) (6) Kambli, Abhishek (OASG) <(b) (6)
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It's the most wonderful time of the week— (b) (5)

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3. “New proposals”:

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    b. Let me know if someone else thinks of something we should bring up on the call.

Thanks, and let me know if it would be useful to discuss.

Henry Whitaker
Office of the Attorney General
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From: "Terrell, Leo (CRT)" (b) (6)
To: "Jahreis, Hannah (OAG)" <(b) (6) , "Mizelle, Chad (OAG)" (b) (6)
Subject: FW: weekly update.3 24 2025 (2)
Date: Mon, 24 Mar 2025 10:52:43 -0400
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Hello Hannah,

Hope an afternoon meeting with Chad for 20 minutes or less is still on Target for tomorrow or Wednesday.

Leo

U.S. Department of Justice

Civil Rights Division

Office of the Assistant Attorney General — *Washington, D.C. 20530*

To: Assistant Attorney General
Civil Rights Division

From: Leo Terrell
Senior Counsel

Re: Weekly report for March 24, 2025

Date Occurred or Expected	Items to Report
	Combating Anti-Semitism Task Force
HHS/ED complaints	The Division agreed to assign 6 attorneys to work with HHS to investigate charges of antisemitism on medical school campuses. HHS represents that the charges could ultimately be referred to DOJ for enforcement and that having DOJ staff conduct the investigations will ensure that they are closer to litigation ready when they are referred. [redacted (b)(5) per CRT] The Division has identified the 6 attorneys to be assigned to this project and is finalizing an MOU with HHS.
FBI	This week, we anticipate: • Following up with FBI leadership on adding a member to the task force. • Working with the FBI and others to ensure appropriate security measures are in place for on-campus visits so that the visits are not disrupted • Setting up a meeting with FBI leadership to discuss the creation of an Anti-Semitic Incident Investigation Unit that will feed cases to USAOs
CRT	We will work to create litigation teams within the Civil Rights Division to bring claims and charges arising from allegations of anti-Semitism
Task Force membership	We are working with various stakeholders on additional members of Task Force
Campus / City visits	We continue to plan for campus visits including: • [redacted (b)(5) per CRT]

	• (b)(5) per CRT [redacted] The Task Force will visit: 1) Columbia University, (b)(5) per CRT [redacted] We intend to meet with university leadership for 90-120 minutes. The purposes of the campus visits are to: 1) highlight for university leadership the Administration's prioritization of eradicating antisemitism, particularly when it occurs unaddressed on college campuses; 2) inform university leadership of the Administration's commitment to utilize all available government resources to ensure the universities prevent and, where necessary, respond appropriately to incidents of antisemitism; and 3) meet with students, staff, and local stakeholders, where appropriate, to reinforce the message that the federal government will not allow incidents of antisemitism to continue. (b)(5) per CRT [redacted]
City visits	(b)(5) per CRT [redacted]

	(b)(5) per CRT [redacted]. We issued letters to the cities' mayors and law enforcement officials on **March 12**. Press release followed. The letters will seek meetings with city leadership, including the mayor and district attorney, to discuss steps the federal government may take in response to each city's failure to adequately address anti-Semitism, including potentially cutting federal funding.
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From: The AAG for Administration <(b) (6)
To: The AAG for Administration <(b) (6)
Subject: Memorandum from the Chief of Staff to the Attorney General Regarding Grants Programs
Date: Fri, 24 Jan 2025 17:29:40 -0500
Importance: High
Attachments: Memorandum_from_the_Chief_of_Staff_to_the_Attorney_General,_01.24.2025.pdf

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See attached memorandum from the Chief of Staff to the Attorney General.

Bcc:
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The Office of Justice Programs (OJP)
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U. S. Department of Justice

Office of the Associate Attorney General

Washington, D.C. 20530

January 24, 2025

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS;
THE OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN;
THE OFFICE OF COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES

FROM: THE CHIEF OF STAFF TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL CKM

SUBJECT: GRANT FREEZE

Consistent with the Department's obligation to ensure that grants are awarded and paid in a manner consistent with federal law, including the President's Executive Orders *Protecting the American People Against Invasion* and *Ending Illegal Discrimination And Restoring Merit-Based Opportunity*, and so as to permit the Acting Attorney General sufficient time to review and, if appropriate, audit the Department's grants, please immediately take the following steps:

1. Pause distribution of funds under any Department grant program for a period of 30 days.

2. To the extent funds have recently been paid, or are in the process of being paid, under a Department grant program, initiate clawback or recoupment procedures.

3. Provide a report to the Chief of Staff to the Attorney General (exercising the authority of the Acting Associate Attorney General) within 14 days of any contracts, grants, or other agreements providing Department funding to non-governmental organizations supporting or providing services, either directly or indirectly, to removable or illegal aliens.

Please let the Chief of Staff to the Attorney General (exercising the authority of the Associate Attorney General) know if you have any questions.

From: "Lauria, Jolene A. (JMD)" <(b) (6)
To: "Mizelle, Chad (OAG)" <(b) (6)
Cc: "Alvarez, Christopher C. (JMD)" <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: FYI Awareness only: 5:00 PM Today Pause All Grants notice to Grantees
Date: Tue, 28 Jan 2025 11:53:11 -0500
Importance: Normal

Correct – no grantees with available funding will be able to draw down funds after 5:00;

OMB Set the 5:00 PM Deadlines for us.

Jolene Ann Lauria
Assistant Attorney General for Administration

If you wish for Peace, work for Justice

From: Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, January 28, 2025 11:26 AM
To: Lauria, Jolene A. (JMD) <(b) (6)
Cc: Alvarez, Christopher C. (JMD) <(b) (6)
Subject: Re: FYI Awareness only: 5:00 PM Today Pause All Grants notice to Grantees

So practically, this means that for grants already awarded but not fully funded, that we won't make any disbursements, correct? And this is per the OMB memo, not my memo, right?

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From: Lauria, Jolene A. (JMD) <(b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, January 28, 2025 10:05:54 AM
To: Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Alvarez, Christopher C. (JMD) <(b) (6)
Subject: FYI Awareness only: 5:00 PM Today Pause All Grants notice to Grantees

Chad-

You don't have to call me back- I just wanted to give you a heads up this is happening at 5:00PM

Thank you.

Jolene Ann Lauria
Assistant Attorney General for Administration

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From: Alvarez, Christopher C. (JMD) <[redacted]
Sent: Tuesday, January 28, 2025 9:37 AM
To: Lauria, Jolene A. (JMD) <[redacted]
Subject: FW: Memorandum from the Chief of Staff to the Attorney General Regarding Grants Programs
Importance: High

Jolene,
Based on communication with the Grant components the next step to implement the temporary pause for grant disbursements in accordance with the Chief of Staff memoranda and OMB M-25-25 guidance. OJP will send the attached email to all OJP, OVW, and COPS grantees this morning notifying of the temporary pause at 5:00pm tonight.

OJP will implement the pause in JustGrants/ASAP systems tonight for all OJP, OVW, and COPS.
Thanks Chris

Chris Alvarez
DAAG/Controller
Justice Management Division
Mobile [redacted]

From: The AAG for Administration <[redacted]
Sent: Friday, January 24, 2025 5:30 PM
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To: "Mizelle, Chad (OAG)" <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: (b) (5) ?
Date: Mon, 24 Mar 2025 13:19:38 -0400
Importance: Normal
Attachments: UPDATED_FINAL_OJP_AWARD_REDS_3.23.25.xlsx

This on (b) (5)

From: Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, March 24, 2025 1:11 PM
To: McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6)
Subject: Fw: (b) (5)

What list is she working off of?

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From: Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, March 24, 2025 1:11:03 PM
To: Mailman, May EOP/WHO <(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6)
Whitaker, Henry (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: Re: (b) (5) ?

Let me circle with the team and see when works.

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From: Mailman, May EOP/WHO <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, March 24, 2025 1:10:01 PM
To: Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) Whitaker,
Henry (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: (b) (5)

Soonest I could do is 5:30 PM. Need to invite others from the White House:

James Blair
Alex Pfeiffer
Alex Meyer
Matthew Brasseaux

May
(b) (6)

From: Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, March 24, 2025 1:05 PM
To: Mailman, May EOP/WHO <(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6)

Whitaker, Henry (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: Re: (b) (5)

Let's get on the phone and discuss. When works?

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From: Mailman, May EOP/WHO <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, March 24, 2025 12:58:55 PM
To: McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6) Whitaker, Henry (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: (b) (5)

To be clear (b) (5)

May
(b) (6)

From: Mailman, May EOP/WHO
Sent: Monday, March 24, 2025 12:50 PM
To: (b) (6) <(b) (6) 'Mizelle, Chad (OAG)' <(b) (6) 'Whitaker, Henry (OAG)' <(b) (6)
Subject: (b) (5)

To the (b) (5)

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May Mailman
Senior Policy Strategist
Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Policy
Cell: (202) (b) (6)
Office: (202) (b) (6)
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From: "Terrell, Leo (CRT)" (b) (6) >
To: "Mizelle, Chad (OAG)" (b) (6) >
Subject: FW: weekly update.3 3 2025
Date: Mon, 03 Mar 2025 15:51:49 -0500
Importance: Normal
Attachments: weekly_update.3_3_2025.docx

Sir,

Attached, please find my weekly Task Force Report. In addition, I included my additional assignments.

Leo

U.S. Department of Justice

Civil Rights Division

Office of the Assistant Attorney General — *Washington, D.C. 20530*

To: Assistant Attorney General
Civil Rights Division

From: Leo Terrell
Senior Counsel

Re: Weekly report for March 3, 2025

Date Occurred or Expected	Items to Report
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FBI	This week, we anticipate: • inviting FBI leadership to participate in the task force • (b)(5) per CRT [redacted]
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To: "Cypher, Catharine (OAG)" <(b) (6) "Mizelle, Chad (OAG)" <(b) (6)
Subject: Fw: Please terminate the following grants immediately
Date: Mon, 07 Apr 2025 19:36:20 -0400
Importance: Normal
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FYI

Vetan

From: Allen, Lara (OJP) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, April 7, 2025 7:34 PM
To: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Henneberg, Maureen (OJP) <(b) (6) Madan, Rafael A. (OJP) <(b) (6)
Cc: McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Please terminate the following grants immediately

Yep. Working on that one now. (b) (5)

I have attached the two letters that we just sent for the ones below for the New England Arab American Organization (1 award) and ME Dept of Corrections (3 awards).

From: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, April 7, 2025 7:27 PM
To: Allen, Lara (OJP) <(b) (6) Henneberg, Maureen (OJP) <(b) (6) Madan, Rafael A. (OJP) <(b) (6)
Cc: McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: Re: Please terminate the following grants immediately

Hi Lara,

Please add this award too:

15PBJS-24-GK-01850-BJSB

Vetan

From: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, April 7, 2025 7:12:52 PM
To: Allen, Lara (OJP) <(b) (6) Henneberg, Maureen (OJP) <(b) (6) Madan, Rafael A. (OJP) <(b) (6)
Cc: McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: Re: Please terminate the following grants immediately

Lara,

Thanks for checking and yes, confirmed.

Vetan

From: Allen, Lara (OJP) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, April 7, 2025 7:12:09 PM
To: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Henneberg, Maureen (OJP) <(b) (6)
Madan, Rafael A. (OJP) <(b) (6)
Cc: McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Please terminate the following grants immediately

Hi Vetan –

Just confirming the new one listed here 15PBJA-23-GG-04170-ADVA is to NEW ENGLAND ARAB AMERICAN ORGANIZATION which was not on the original list last night for the ME Dept. Corrections. But I will pull the email addresses for that entity and issue the separate letter to them.

(b) (5)

Working the letters now.

From: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, April 7, 2025 6:40 PM
To: Henneberg, Maureen (OJP) <(b) (6) Allen, Lara (OJP) <(b) (6) Madan,
Rafael A. (OJP) <(b) (6)
Cc: McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: Please terminate the following grants immediately

Hi All,

Per OAG, please send out termination notices asap and terminate the following Maine grants:

15PBJA-23-GG-04170-ADVA
15PBJA-21-GG-02792-SMTP
15PJDP-22-GG-03097-COIP
15PBJA-23-GG-02430-SCAX

Vetan

From: "Office of Justice Programs (OJP)" <OfficeofJusticePrograms@ojp.usdoj.gov>
To: "(b) (6) <(b) (6) "zoesahloulneaao (Vendor)" <(b) (6) "(b) (6) <(b) (6)
Subject: Notice of Termination
Date: Mon, 07 Apr 2025 19:27:31 -0400
Importance: Normal
Inline-Images: image001.png

VIA: Electronic Mail

NOTICE OF TERMINATION

Date: April 7, 2025

Award Recipient Name: New England Arab American Organization

Subject: Termination of Awards

Based on a careful review, the awards listed immediately below are hereby terminated pursuant to 2 C.F.R. § 200.340(a)(4):

Award Number
- 15PBJA-23-GG-04170-ADVA

As provided, respectively, in the awards themselves, the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements in 2 C.F.R. Part 200, as adopted and supplemented by the Department of Justice in 2 C.F.R. Part 2800 (together, the "Part 200 Uniform Requirements"), apply to these awards. Specifically, the award documents provide notice of the applicability of the termination provisions in § 200.340.

These awards are being terminated because they "no longer effectuate[] the program goals or agency priorities." 2 C.F.R. § 200.340(a)(4). The Department has changed its priorities with respect to discretionary grant funding to focus on, among other things, more directly supporting certain law enforcement operations, combatting violent crime, protecting American children, and supporting American victims of trafficking and sexual assault, and better coordinating law enforcement efforts at all levels of government. These awards demonstrate that they no longer effectuate Department priorities.

Consistent with this notice of termination, the use of award funds will not be allowed for obligations incurred, or expenditures made, after receipt of this notice.

Effective date: April 7, 2025

Portion of the Federal award to be terminated: All unobligated balances remaining.

Right to Appeal: Consistent with 2 C.F.R. § 200.342, you may appeal this termination in writing within 30 business days of the date of this notice. Unless the Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Justice Programs grants a waiver, an untimely appeal request may result in denial of the appeal. Any written appeal must be submitted by email to OJP.Appeals@usdoj.gov, addressed to the Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Justice Programs. In the subject line of the email, the name of the award recipient appealing the decision, the award number, and the words "Termination Appeal" must be specified, and the email message itself must contain the following:

1. A copy of the written notice of termination;
2. The date on which the written notice of termination was received;
3. A brief statement of the argument that forms the basis of the appeal, and any disputed factual, legal or other issues;
4. The amount of disallowed costs in dispute, if any;
5. Any other relevant materials.

Closeout & Continuing Responsibilities: Please note the following continuing responsibilities related to closeout and other obligations in 2 C.F.R. § 200.340(d): "When the Federal award is terminated in part or its entirety, the Federal agency or pass-through entity and recipient or subrecipient remain responsible for compliance with the requirements in §§ 200.344 [("Closeout")] and 200.345 [("Post-closeout adjustments and continuing responsibilities.")]." Such responsibilities include, but are not limited to, your obligation to "promptly refund any unobligated funds" that have been paid out but "are not authorized to be retained." 2 C.F.R. § 200.344(g). Failure to do so may result in the filing of a report documenting "material failure to comply with the terms and conditions of" this award on SAM.gov and taking other appropriate enforcement actions, which could affect eligibility for future grants. *Id.* § 200.344(i). Finally, duties regarding retention of grant records for at least three years after the submission of a final financial report are hereby noted. *See id.* § 200.334.

Please acknowledge receipt of this Termination Notice
(End of Notice)

From: "Office of Justice Programs (OJP)" <OfficeofJusticePrograms@ojp.usdoj.gov>
To: "(b) (6) <(b) (6) "(b) (6) <(b) (6) "(b) (6) <(b) (6) "(b) (6) <(b) (6)
Subject: Notice of Termination
Date: Mon, 07 Apr 2025 19:21:15 -0400
Importance: Normal
Inline-Images: image001.png

VIA: Electronic Mail

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Subject: RE: Please terminate the following grants immediately
Date: Mon, 07 Apr 2025 21:16:36 -0400
Importance: Normal

That is great! TY for sending! Adding in Chad and Gates for TP awareness.

From: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <[redacted]
Sent: Monday, April 7, 2025 7:59 PM
To: Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <[redacted]
Cc: Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <[redacted]
Subject: FW: Please terminate the following grants immediately

FYI – total remaining funding to support anti-opioid efforts in Maine after the terminations is nearly $9 million.

From: Allen, Lara (OJP) <[redacted]
Sent: Monday, April 7, 2025 7:57 PM
To: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <[redacted] Henneberg, Maureen (OJP) <[redacted] Madan, Rafael A. (OJP) <[redacted]
Cc: McHenry, James (ODAG) <[redacted]
Subject: RE: Please terminate the following grants immediately

The remaining balance for our funding supporting anti-opioid efforts under our COSSAP programs are the awards listed below and the total unobligated balance for those awards is $8,930,111.

Legal Name	City	State	Award Number	Solicitation Title	Total Award Amount	UFMS Unobligated Balance
TOWN OF SCARBOROUGH	SCARBOROUGH	ME	15PBJA-21-GG-04487-COAP	BJA FY 21 Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Site-based Program	$286,065	$82,322
PUBLIC SAFETY, MAINE DEPARTMENT OF	AUGUSTA	ME	15PBJA-21-GG-04534-COAP	BJA FY 21 Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Site-based Program	$6,000,000	$5,275,712
CUMBERLAND, COUNTY OF	PORTLAND	ME	15PBJA-23-GG-02392-COAP	BJA FY 23 Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use Site-based Program	$1,000,000	$819,005
FRANKLIN, COUNTY OF	FARMINGTON	ME	15PBJA-24-GG-04456-COAP	BJA FY24 Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use Site-Based Program	$1,000,000	$1,000,000
BELFAST, CITY OF	BELFAST	ME	15PBJA-24-GG-04524-COAP	BJA FY24 Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use Site-Based Program	$1,000,000	$1,000,000
PENQUIS C.A.P., INC.	BANGOR	ME	15PJDP-21-GG-03625-JJOP	OJJDP FY 2021 Opioid Affected Youth Initiative	$702,864	$74,144
PENQUIS C.A.P., INC.	BANGOR	ME	15PJDP-24-GG-01665-JJOP	OJJDP FY24 Opioid Affected Youth Initiative	$741,975	$678,928

From: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, April 7, 2025 7:41 PM
To: Allen, Lara (OJP) <(b) (6) Henneberg, Maureen (OJP) <(b) (6) Madan, Rafael A. (OJP) <(b) (6)
Cc: McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: Re: Please terminate the following grants immediately

Can we also please confirm how much in funding for anti-opioid efforts in Maine remains after these cuts? Based on the grants spreadsheet, it looks like about $1.5 million, but OAG just wants to confirm.

Vetan

From: "Cypher, Catharine (OAG)" <(b) (6)
To: "Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG)" <(b) (6) "McHenry, James (ODAG)" <(b) (6) "Gilmartin, Chad (PAO)" <(b) (6) "McGavick, Gates (PAO)" <(b) (6) "Mizelle, Chad (OAG)" <(b) (6)
Cc: "Makecha, Tarak (JMD)" <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final list of proposed OJP grant terminations
Date: Mon, 24 Mar 2025 13:36:01 -0400
Importance: Normal

A few thoughts on this before we give to the AG for final sign off.

(b) (5)

@McGavick, Gates (PAO) can you get us a draft release that we can review with her this afternoon? I know you had one in the works but I think being able to extract the sanctuary city number will be good!

From: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, March 24, 2025 11:55 AM
To: McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6) Gilmartin, Chad (PAO) <(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final list of proposed OJP grant terminations

Two things to propose: (1) we are happy remove from the list any additional grantees that you all believe should continue to be funded, and (2) we need not issue a press release to move forward with terminating any subset of this list.

From: McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, March 24, 2025 7:34 AM
To: Gilmartin, Chad (PAO) <(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6)
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Thanks, Chad and Gates, for this helpful perspective.
The issue, for these and others, is that each of these examples is for a grant (b) (5) That's why they were included.
So, we face competing (b) (5)

We would also flag that the (b) (5) (b) (5) (b) (5).

Relatedly, we have been (b) (5)

If we can provide any additional information on these to help with the decision-making, please let us know.

Thanks.

From: Gilmartin, Chad (PAO) <(b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, March 23, 2025 7:48 PM
To: McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6) Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6)
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I think Gates raises a solid point from a comms perspective.

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To: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6) Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6) Gilmartin, Chad (PAO) <(b) (6)
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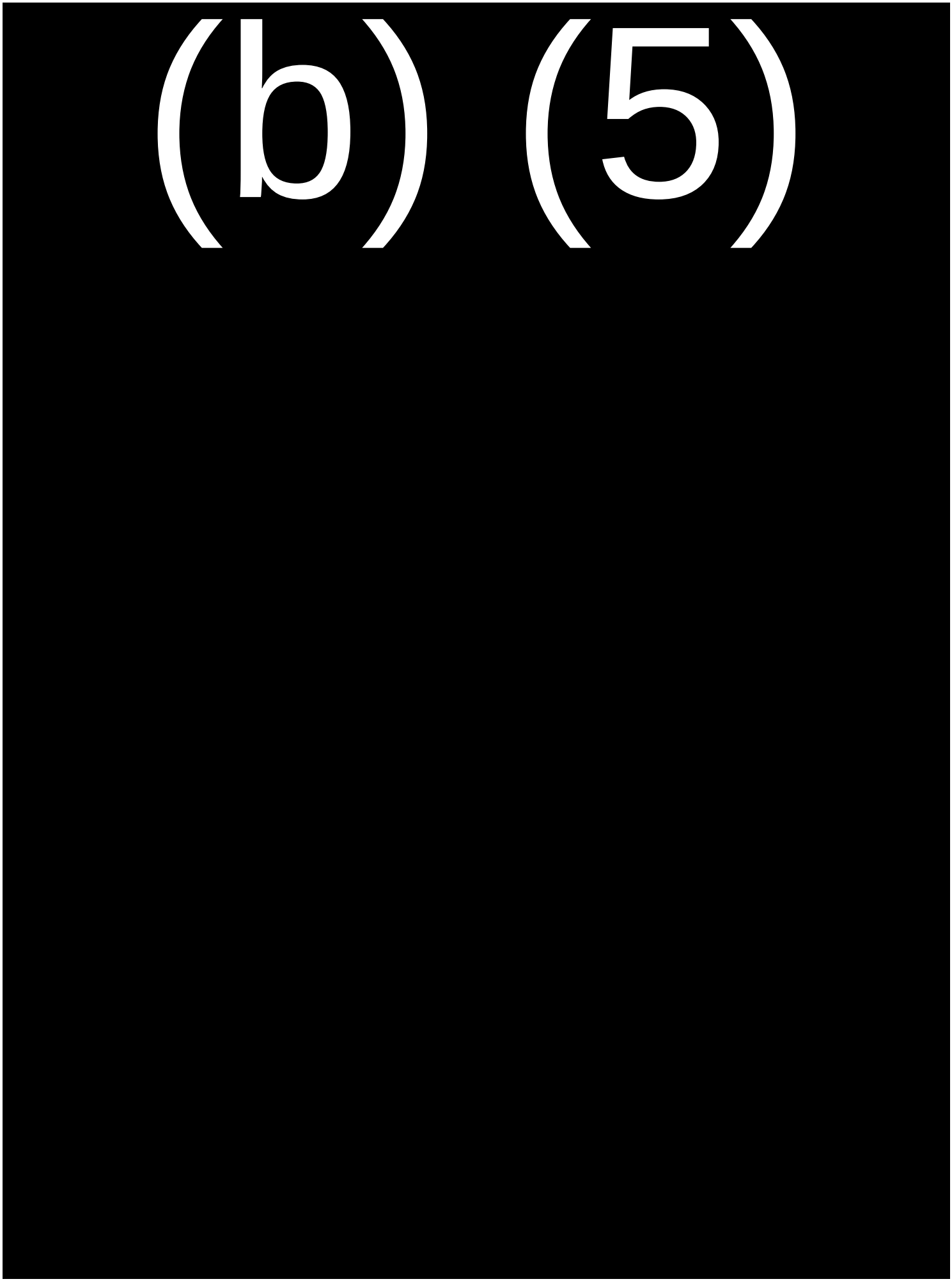
Thanks Vetan. This is a great breakdown. Adding Chad Gilmartin in here.

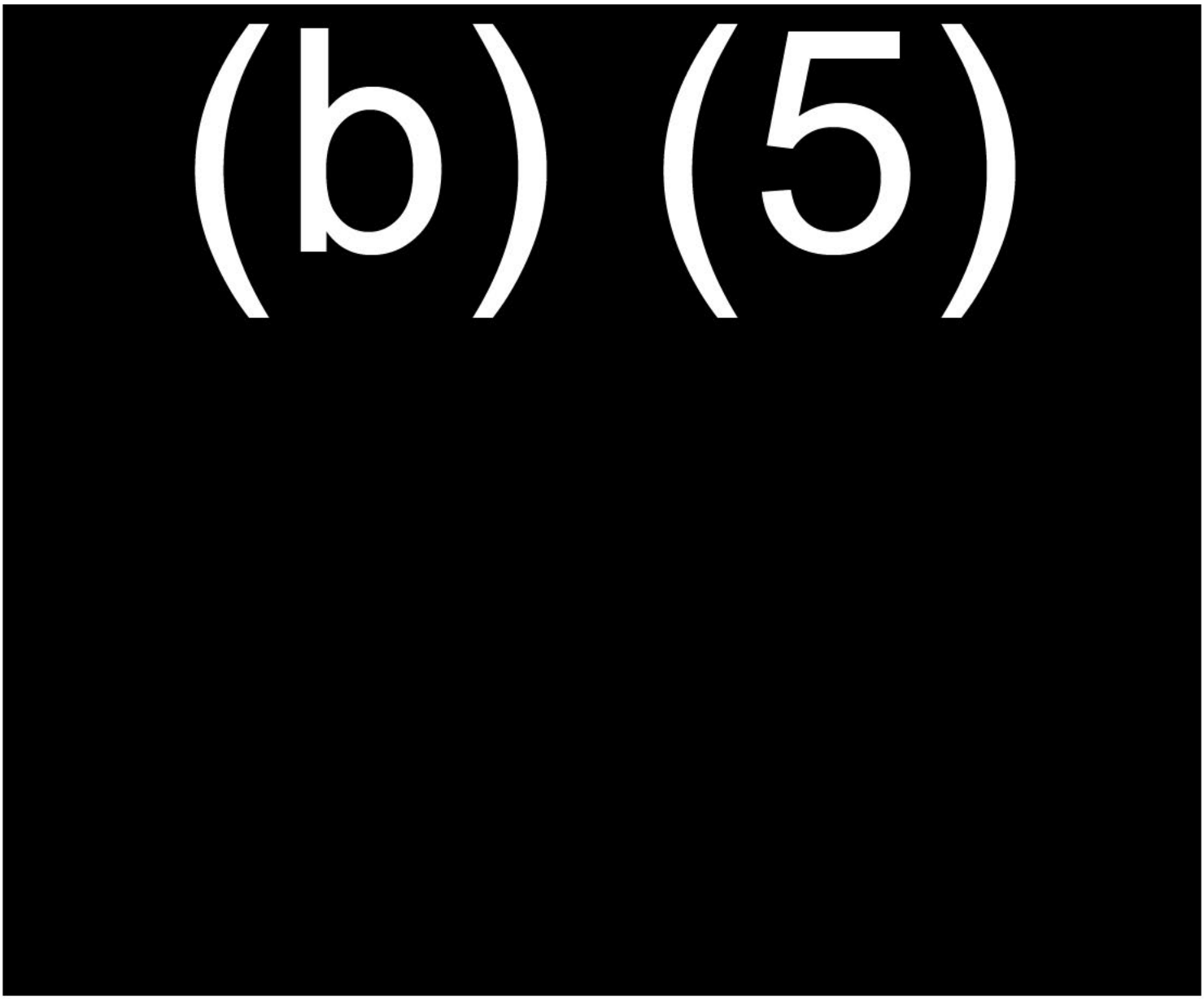
From a comms perspective, (b) (5)

I know that we don't have to outright announce every group we're pulling grants from. However, from a (b) (5) standpoint, I think it (b) (5)

A few examples pulled from just the first 1/4th of the full list:

(b) (5)


(b) (5)



To be clear (b) (5) . Obviously, we have a clear admin-wide mandate to cut down on fraud and waste, and it doesn't make sense for DOJ to be funding many of these programs. However, (b) (5)

USDA had a similar issue recently when they faced a torrent of negative press following their funding cuts, which included food banks and similar programs. The prospect of bad stories shouldn't necessarily drive our policy decision-making process, but I think we all have a shared interest in avoiding them when we can.

I apologize for the long email on a Sunday evening and if folks feel my concerns are unwarranted, very open to pushback. Just wanted to flag for discussion.

From: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, March 23, 2025 5:19:56 PM
To: Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6)
Cc: McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6) Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6)
Subject: Final list of proposed OJP grant terminations

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Hi All,

With thanks to Tarak for his support and analysis, attached is a final list of OJP discretionary grants we propose terminating. (b) (5)) Please see below for more information about the final list and let us know if you have any questions or would like to discuss.

Thanks,

Vetan

- (b) (5)
- Here are some examples of the awards we plan to terminate:
  - (b) (5)

- (b) (5)
  - [redacted]
  - [redacted]
  - [redacted]
  - [redacted]
  - [redacted]
  - [redacted]
  - [redacted]
  - [redacted]
  - [redacted]
  - [redacted]
  - [redacted]
- [redacted]
- In Phase 2 of this project, we plan to (b) (5) [redacted]

From: "Makecha, Tarak (JMD)" <(b) (6)
To: "Mizelle, Chad (OAG)" <(b) (6) "Cypher, Catharine (OAG)" <(b) (6)
"Conklin, Hayley (OAG)" <(b) (6)
Subject: FW: Final list of proposed OJP grant terminations
Date: Tue, 01 Apr 2025 12:22:34 -0400
Importance: Normal
Attachments: OJP_Discretionary_Grant_Proposal_Working.docx; DOJ_Discretionary_Awards_Master_Working.xlsx
Inline-Images: image001.png; image002.png; image003.png

Can we do the OJP grant termination approval via email?

I'm worried about the delays given the meeting was pushed from Friday to Monday, Monday to Thursday, Thursday to Tuesday.

I have both the data and termination logic ready (see attached). I'd be happy to write an email for approval.

From: Dawson, Madeline (OAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, April 1, 2025 12:11 PM
To: McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6) Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Makecha, Tarak (JMD)
<(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Jahreis, Hannah (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final list of proposed OJP grant terminations

It sounds like 1pm would work for everyone on Tuesday, 4/8?

From: McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, April 1, 2025 12:05 PM
To: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Dawson, Madeline (OAG) <(b) (6) Makecha, Tarak (JMD)
<(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Jahreis, Hannah (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final list of proposed OJP grant terminations

Any time after noon works for me as well.

From: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, April 1, 2025 11:59 AM
To: Dawson, Madeline (OAG) <(b) (6) Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6) McHenry, James (ODAG)
<(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Jahreis, Hannah (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final list of proposed OJP grant terminations

As of now, any time except 11:30-11:50 next Tuesday would work for me. Thanks.

From: Dawson, Madeline (OAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, April 1, 2025 11:13 AM
To: Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6) McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO)
<(b) (6) Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Jahreis, Hannah (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final list of proposed OJP grant terminations

Hi everyone,

Due to some travel that has popped up on the AG's calendar, we need to shift this meeting again (sorry!!!).

Can we aim for Tuesday next week?

From: Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, March 31, 2025 11:34 AM
To: McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6) Dawson, Madeline (OAG) <(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO)
<(b) (6) Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Jahreis, Hannah (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final list of proposed OJP grant terminations

Latest data and one page on the logic attached based on some additional feedback (thanks Vetan).

From: Makecha, Tarak (JMD)
Sent: Monday, March 31, 2025 10:05 AM
To: McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6) Dawson, Madeline (OAG) <(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Jahreis, Hannah (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final list of proposed OJP grant terminations

Yes

From: McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, March 31, 2025 9:59 AM
To: Dawson, Madeline (OAG) <(b) (6) Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Jahreis, Hannah (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final list of proposed OJP grant terminations

Works for me.

From: Dawson, Madeline (OAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, March 31, 2025 9:56 AM
To: Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6) Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Jahreis, Hannah (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final list of proposed OJP grant terminations

Good morning—I hope everyone had a good weekend!

We have to shift this meeting,-- apologies for the back and forth. We're looking into Thursday, April 3rd. Would 1pm work for everyone?

Let me know and I will adjust the calendar invite.

From: Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, March 27, 2025 4:38 PM
To: McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6) Dawson, Madeline (OAG) <(b) (6) Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Jahreis, Hannah (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final list of proposed OJP grant terminations

Team,

See attached and below for what I have so far, and what we can use for the meeting tomorrow. I do think there is more we can find within this list of grants, so we can consider this 'Tranche 1'.

Tranche 1 sits at $(b) (5) in award value with (b) (5) savings across (b) (5).

The focus remained on (b) (5). I also used an expanded vendor list and key topics to include/exclude from terminations. All of this can be found in the 'Mapping' tab.

Parsing out the key topics required (b) (5) which I can do for Tranche 1 or a later tranche.

One ask: please take a look through the list for terminations (filter column 'AB' in the 'OJP Discretionary Grants_202503' tab to 'Terminate') and do a sanity check to ensure something was included for termination that shouldn't be.

Let me know if you need anything else between now and the meeting tomorrow morning.

OJP Discretionary Grants	Overall	Terminate	Keep
Sanctuary	(b) (5)		
Not Sanctuary			
TBD			
Total			

From: Makecha, Tarak (JMD)
Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2025 9:26 PM

To: McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6) Dawson, Madeline (OAG) <(b) (6) Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Jahreis, Hannah (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final list of proposed OJP grant terminations

Brief update. I have a v1 tied to a (b) (5). List is up to (b) (5) terminations, but I'm still building out more optionality which requires going line by line.

If there is any urgency, let me know and I can send what I have so far. If not, I'll send a version to everyone later tomorrow.

From: McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, March 25, 2025 5:28 PM
To: McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6) Dawson, Madeline (OAG) <(b) (6) Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Jahreis, Hannah (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final list of proposed OJP grant terminations

That time works here.

From: McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, March 25, 2025 5:23 PM
To: Dawson, Madeline (OAG) <(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Jahreis, Hannah (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final list of proposed OJP grant terminations

I will be traveling on Friday, but Vetan can cover everything from ODAG's perspective.

From: Dawson, Madeline (OAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, March 25, 2025 5:04 PM
To: McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Jahreis, Hannah (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final list of proposed OJP grant terminations

Hi everyone,

Catharine mentioned that the AG would like a second meeting to continue this discussion. Looking at Friday morning, the AG could be available at 11:00am.

Please let me know if this will work for everyone and I'll send around a calendar invite.

From: McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, March 25, 2025 11:26 AM
To: Dawson, Madeline (OAG) <(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Jahreis, Hannah (OAG) <(b) (6)
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We'll be there. Thanks.

From: Dawson, Madeline (OAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, March 25, 2025 11:07 AM
To: McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6) Jahreis, Hannah (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final list of proposed OJP grant terminations

Thanks, all! You should've received the calendar invite I sent earlier this morning.

We're also hoping everyone can come to the OAG suite at 12:45pm for a pre-brief with Chad Mizelle, the AG's Chief of Staff. Please let me know if you can make it!

From: McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, March 25, 2025 8:49 AM
To: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Dawson, Madeline (OAG) <(b) (6) Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)

Cc: McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6) Jahreis, Hannah (OAG) <(b) (6)
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Works here - thanks!

From: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, March 25, 2025 8:35:58 AM
To: Dawson, Madeline (OAG) <(b) (6) Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) Jahreis, Hannah (OAG) <(b) (6)
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Works for me. Thanks Madeline!

From: Dawson, Madeline (OAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, March 25, 2025 8:31:24 AM
To: Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) Jahreis, Hannah (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final list of proposed OJP grant terminations

Hello,

Yes, happy to assist here. Right now, I'm aiming for 1:00PM this afternoon.

Please let me know if this will work for everyone and I will circulate a calendar invite.

From: Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, March 24, 2025 8:45 PM
To: Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6) Dawson, Madeline (OAG) <(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final list of proposed OJP grant terminations

I'll make myself available anytime for the meeting.

See attached for the updated list with a segmentation of sanctuary cities. Version control was tough, so I mapped everything together and made some judgement calls that I would consider conservative (removing from the termination list if any doubt).

The takeaway is that (b) (5)

To make the proposal clean (b) (5)

I'm happy to take feedback and iterate. And I'm also happy to run 'master' on the list so we don't run into version control issues.

Please let me know if you all need anything else from me.

OJP Discretionary Grants	Overall	Terminate	Keep
Sanctuary	(b) (5)		
Not Sanctuary			
TBD			
Total			

Termination Summary	#	Award Value	Unobligated	% of Total
Sanctuary	(b) (5)			
DEI				
Total				

OJP Change Log	Original Req	Removals	Additions	Net Total	Change
Vendors	(b) (5)				
Award Total					
Unobligated Total					

From: Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, March 24, 2025 6:26 PM
To: Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6)
Cc: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6) Dawson, Madeline (OAG) <(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6)
Subject: Re: Final list of proposed OJP grant terminations

Can we do a 30 minute meeting tomorrow with the AG. I would like her to get a full briefing on this from the lawyers before we push send. Adding Madeline for scheduling.

Madeline, please include Gates and Chad M to the invite.

I would like to come with a draft press release, summary of grants, and full list of grants from Tarak with Sanctuary Cities extracted.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 24, 2025, at 5:08 PM, Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6) wrote:

To Vetan's point, I'm also happy to spin up another version that is just sanctuary city (b) (5) plus the (b) (5) DEI to keep it simple if it will help drive the speed of decision making.

Let me know how I can be helpful and accelerate the decision!

From: Makecha, Tarak (JMD)
Sent: Monday, March 24, 2025 3:16 PM
To: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6)
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Thanks. Will keep as 'Other' given the broadness.

Do you know which additional (b) (5) I sent Friday night and the (b) (5) in the email chain below (highlighted)?

From: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, March 24, 2025 2:59 PM
To: Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: McHenry, James (ODAG) (b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final list of proposed OJP grant terminations

For the (b) (5) "others," the reasons tended to be either (b) (5)

From: Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, March 24, 2025 2:38 PM
To: Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)

Cc: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final list of proposed OJP grant terminations

See attached and below. Of the (b) (5) I have marked for termination (differs from (b) (5) – not sure which additional five were removed), (b) (5) were in sanctuary cities (I am using the existing tag in the spreadsheet).

The two additions I had were DEI, but that leaves (b) (5) (marked 'Other') that I didn't add and are not sanctuary. **Vetan and James, will ask that you identify the original reason for those being marked as 'red' for termination.**

Of those marked for termination, (b) (5) are tied to New York City, Atlanta and Chicago.

I'll be standing by to iterate.

	Overall	Terminate	Keep
OJP Disc. Grants	(b) (5)		
Sanctuary			
Not Sanctuary			
TBD			
Total			

Termination Summary	#	Award Value	Unobligated
Sanctuary	(b) (5)		
Other			
DEI			
Total			

From: Makecha, Tarak (JMD)
Sent: Monday, March 24, 2025 1:50 PM
To: Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final list of proposed OJP grant terminations

I'll work the sanctuary city split ASAP based on this list, I can also segment out what I added that is tied more closely to DEI, and then will likely need feedback for the original logic on the remainder.

From: Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, March 24, 2025 1:36 PM
To: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6) Gilmartin, Chad (PAO) <(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final list of proposed OJP grant terminations

Duplicative Material

From: "Conklin, Hayley (OAG)" <(b) (6)
To: "Makecha, Tarak (JMD)" <(b) (6) "Mizelle, Chad (OAG)" <(b) (6) "Cypher, Catharine (OAG)" <(b) (6)
Cc: "Jahreis, Hannah (OAG)" <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final list of proposed OJP grant terminations
Date: Tue, 01 Apr 2025 18:04:11 -0400
Importance: Normal
Attachments: OJP_Discretionary_Grant_Proposal_Working.docx; DOJ_Discretionary_Awards_Master_Working.xlsx
Inline-Images: image001.png; image002.png; image003.png

Adding Hannah on to get this in front of Chad.

Best,
Hayley

From: Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, April 1, 2025 12:23 PM
To: Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6) Conklin, Hayley (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: FW: Final list of proposed OJP grant terminations

Duplicative Material

From: "Cypher, Catharine (OAG)" <(b) (6)
To: "Mizelle, Chad (OAG)" <(b) (6) "Conklin, Hayley (OAG)" <(b) (6) "Tsaveras, Thomas (OAG)" <(b) (6)
Cc: "Jahreis, Hannah (OAG)" <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Agency Plans for America 250 -- (Needed by March 1st)
Date: Thu, 06 Mar 2025 15:08:46 -0500
Importance: Normal

This is the general description of what America at 250 is looking to achieve:

> America250's mission is to celebrate and commemorate the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, marking America's Semiquincentennial. We aim to inspire our fellow Americans to reflect on our past, strengthen our love of country, and renew our commitment to the ideals of democracy through programs that educate, engage, and unite us as a nation. America250 will foster shared experiences that spark imagination, showcase the rich tapestry of our American stories, inspire service in our communities, honor the enduring strength, and celebrate the resilience of the United States of America.

I think we host 1 or 2 things at DOJ main but our focus should be in the states. A few brainstorming ideas could include:

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From: Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, March 6, 2025 2:43 PM
To: Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6) Conklin, Hayley (OAG) <(b) (6)
Tsaveras, Thomas (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Jahreis, Hannah (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: Re: Agency Plans for America 250 -- (Needed by March 1st)

Thanks. Please continue to run point on this.

What kind of things are they looking for?

Get Outlook for iOS

From: Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, March 6, 2025 2:37:16 PM
To: Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6) Conklin, Hayley (OAG) <(b) (6) Tsaveras,

Thomas (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Jahreis, Hannah (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: Agency Plans for America 250 -- (Needed by March 1st)

Hey Chad!

I spoke with DPC about this email that supposedly went out in February and let them know that we never received comms on needing to develop a plan on America at 250. They were understanding but asked that we have something together by next week.

I can make a template for how we collect submissions (probably by Tuesday) so we can have a package to the WH by COB on Wednesday.

Who would you like to participate in helping with this? I think we should loop in OPA (Gates, Chad G, and James), TBD person from ODAG, maybe we engage OJP t (b) (5)

Please let me know your thoughts and we will get working on this.

Thank you!

Catharine

From: Haley, Vincent M. EOP/WHO <(b) (6)
Sent: Friday, February 21, 2025 11:13 AM
To: Haley, Vincent M. EOP/WHO <(b) (6)
Cc: Budowich, Taylor A. EOP/WHO <(b) (6) Adolphsen, Sam G. EOP/WHO <(b) (6) King, Wells C. EOP/WHO <(b) (6) Bardon, Lea V. EOP/WHO <(b) (6)
Subject: Agency Plans for America 250 -- (Needed by March 1st)

Dear All:

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[redacted]

Thank you in advance!

Best regards.

Vince Haley
Director, Domestic Policy Council

From: "Baran, Virginia (OVW)" (b) (6) >
To: "Mizelle, Chad (OAG)" (b) (6) , "Manion, Jason (OASG)" (b) (6)
Cc: "Kaplan, Jennifer E. (OVW)" (b) (6)
Subject: FW: OVW
Date: Thu, 27 Feb 2025 17:21:25 -0500
Importance: Normal
Attachments: Proposed_agenda_ODAG_OVW_3-4-2025.docx; 3-4-2025_Enclosures.zip

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Chad and Jason,

I hope this finds you well. OVW's General Counsel, Jennifer Kaplan, and I are meeting with James McHenry on Tuesday at his request. For your awareness I'm forwarding you the materials I sent him. The only item in the enclosures you likely haven't seen is my email yesterday to Jordan Fox at ODAG, regarding executive order tracking.

Ginger
Tel: (b) (6)

From: Baran, Virginia (OVW)
Sent: Thursday, February 27, 2025 5:16 PM
To: Kaplan, Jennifer E. (OVW) (b) (6) >; McHenry, James (ODAG) (b) (6)
Cc: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) (b) (6)
Subject: RE: OVW

James and Vetan,

I've attached a proposed agenda for Tuesday. The enclosures file contains the spreadsheet of our grants, noting formula or discretionary for each. The *OVW Grant Programs at a Glance* brief might be the most helpful document to start with.

I'm not aware of any upcoming publications besides FY 2025 Notices of Funding Opportunity, for which our proposed release plan is on the agenda and in the enclosures. We'll double-check if there are any other upcoming publications and be sure to alert you to them.

Please let me and Jennifer know if you need anything else in the meantime. We look forward to meeting with you.

Ginger
Tel: (b) (6)

From: Kaplan, Jennifer E. (OVW) (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, February 25, 2025 9:05 AM
To: McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6) Baran, Virginia (OVW) (b) (6)
Cc: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) (b) (6)
Subject: RE: OVW

James,

Yes, we can prepare such a spreadsheet (OVW has no earmarks, so that part is easy) and identify upcoming publications, if any.

Thank you.

Jennifer

From: McHenry, James (ODAG) (b) (6) >
Sent: Tuesday, February 25, 2025 7:41 AM
To: Baran, Virginia (OVW) (b) (6) >; Kaplan, Jennifer E. (OVW) (b) (6)
Cc: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: OVW

Ginger and Jennifer,

In advance of the meeting, if you could provide us with a chart or spreadsheet of each grant managed by OVW broken down by whether it is a formula or discretionary grant (and flagging any that may be earmarks), that would be extremely helpful.
Additionally, if you could let us know of any upcoming publications you may have, we would appreciate it.
Otherwise, for the meeting, an OVW 101 briefing sounds good, and we can raise any additional questions then.
We look forward to seeing you on Monday and working with you.
Thanks!

James

From: Baran, Virginia (OVW) (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, February 24, 2025 9:19 PM
To: Kaplan, Jennifer E. (OVW) (b) (6)
Cc: McHenry, James (ODAG) (b) (6) ; Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) (b) (6) Lee, Erica (OVW) (GOV) (b) (6)
Subject: Re: OVW

James,

See you on Monday at 9. As Jennifer said, let us know if there's anything you and Vetan would like in advance.

Ginger

On Feb 24, 2025, at 7:01 PM, Kaplan, Jennifer E. (OVW) (b) (6) wrote:

Hi, James-

That works for me, and Ginger's calendar looks clear, too. I've copied her assistant, Erica Lee, for confirmation.

If there are any materials that you'd like us to provide in advance, please let me know. We're happy to provide you with an OVW 101 briefing or address any particular questions you have.

Thank you.

Jennifer

From: McHenry, James (ODAG) (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, February 24, 2025 6:27 PM
To: Kaplan, Jennifer E. (OVW) <(b) (6)

Cc: Baran, Virginia (OVW) (b) (6) ; Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) (b) (6)
Subject: RE: OVW

Thank you, Jennifer! Are you and Ginger available to meet next Monday, March 3 at 9am?
We look forward to working with you.

James

From: Kaplan, Jennifer E. (OVW) (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, February 24, 2025 8:50 AM
To: McHenry, James (ODAG) (b) (6)
Cc: Baran, Virginia (OVW) (b) (6)
Subject: RE: OVW

James,

Thank you for reaching out. Our Supervisory Official (and Deputy Director for Grants Development and Management) is Ginger Baran Lyons, who I have copied here. I think that she and I are your best POCs at present.

I look forward to working with you.

Jennifer

From: McHenry, James (ODAG) (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, February 24, 2025 7:27 AM
To: Kaplan, Jennifer E. (OVW) (b) (6)
Subject: OVW

Good morning Jennifer,

I will be working on OVW issues for ODAG, and I'm trying to get a sense of the current leadership.
Do you have a list of the current OVW leaders or the best POCs going forward?
Thanks.

James

From:	Baran, Virginia (OVW)
To:	Manion, Jason (OASG)
Cc:	Kaplan, Jennifer E. (OVW)
Subject:	RE: Component Heads: Grants for Sanctuary Jurisdictions
Date:	Tuesday, February 25, 2025 1:53:00 PM
Attachments:	Memo_OVW NOFO release plan_2-12-2025.pdf OVW NOFO Release Plan Enclosures.zip

Jason,

I wanted to give you a preliminary response so that I can ensure that OVW is taking appropriate steps to comply with the Attorney General's Sanctuary Jurisdiction Directives (the AG memorandum) and your request for a list of responsive grants. The AG memorandum directs that, "[c]onsistent with statutory authority and past practice, the Department will require any jurisdiction that applies for certain Department grants to be compliant with 8 U.S.C. § 1373(a)." As you note in your email, the Associate Attorney General must report to the AG on the grants to which this requirement applies.

As you know, OVW is a grantmaking office within the Department that administers funding authorized by the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) and subsequent legislation and reports directly to the Associate Attorney General. Our portfolio of approximately two dozen formula and discretionary grant programs supports communities nationwide in serving victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking (the four VAWA crimes) and holding accountable offenders who commit those crimes. Although a small portion of our grants supports direct law enforcement activities related to these crimes (e.g., funding specialized domestic or sexual violence units or officers within police departments), the bulk of our funding supports services for victims, efforts to enhance a coordinated community response to the four VAWA crimes, and training for professionals who respond to the crimes. In the first Trump Administration, when certifications, conditions, and/or priorities related to section 1373 and immigration enforcement were included on certain DOJ grant programs, DOJ leadership decided to exclude OVW's grants from these requirements. Therefore, as a matter of past practice, DOJ has never predicated eligibility for its VAWA grants on certification of compliance with section 1373.

I understand from my attorneys that, because there is no obvious nexus between OVW grants and immigration enforcement, the question whether statutory authority exists to impose such a requirement on OVW grants (either formula or discretionary) is a complicated one that requires careful assessment of litigation risk. For this reason, when I provided Chad Mizelle with a February 12, 2025, memorandum outlining OVW's FY 2025 Notices of Funding Opportunities (NOFO) Release Plan, I proposed that, in the NOFOs for all OVW grant programs that *could* fund state or local governments or law enforcement agencies to engage in law enforcement activities, we would include a notice that awards "may" include a requirement for recipients to certify compliance with all applicable federal law, including but not limited to 8 U.S.C. § 1373. As the memorandum (attached with enclosures) explains, this language is intended as a placeholder notice while OVW works with DOJ leadership

offices to determine how to implement Section I of the AG memorandum on sanctuary jurisdictions, including assessing the litigation risk of applying this certification requirement to OVW funding. I attached to my February 12th memorandum a draft NOFO template, which identified the following OVW programs that would include the placeholder notice: STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grants, Trauma-Informed Victim-Centered Training for Law Enforcement Program (Abby Honold Act), Local Law Enforcement Grants for Cybercrimes against Individuals, Rural Program, Improving Criminal Justice Response Program, and the Enhancing Investigation and Prosecution Initiative. I would appreciate any thoughts you have about this notice approach and next steps for assessing the advisability of imposing sanctuary jurisdiction requirements on any OVW grants, which would help me meet your March 3 deadline.

In addition, although your email relates only to Part I of the AG memorandum, I know that OVW also must carry out the directives in Part II of the memorandum regarding identifying and evaluating funding to non-governmental organizations (NGOs) that support or provide services to removable or illegal aliens. As I explained when I met with Chad, OVW-funded grantees serve all victims of the four VAWA crimes, without regard to immigration status. Therefore, we expect that some of our NGO grantees may provide services to victims who are removable or illegal aliens, but this is not information that we collect or would request from grantees. Chad indicated that he understood that, and it was not the concern here, but rather, there was a concern about grants that promote or facilitate the violation of federal immigration law or exclusively serve certain groups.

To ensure that we are addressing the intent of the AG memorandum, it would be very helpful to have a conversation about how to conduct our analysis under Part II. Is this something that you can help us with – or point us toward someone else in the leadership offices who can?

Thank you.

Ginger
Tel: (202) (b) (6)

From: Baran, Virginia (OVW)
Sent: Friday, February 14, 2025 4:55 PM
To: Manion, Jason (OASG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Component Heads: Grants for Sanctuary Jurisdictions

Jason,

Confirming I'm in receipt of your email and will be in touch if I have questions. Thank you.

Ginger Baran Lyons

Deputy Director for Grants Development and Management (Supervisory Official)
Office on Violence Against Women (OVW)
U.S. Department of Justice
Tel: (b) (6)

From: Manion, Jason (OASG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Friday, February 14, 2025 3:18 PM
To: Shumate, Brett A (CIV) <(b) (6) Gustafson, Adam (ENRD) <(b) (6) Nam, Julius (CRS) <(b) (6) Wolfe, Kathleen (CRT) <(b) (6) Assefi, Omeed (ATR) <(b) (6) Henneberg, Maureen (OJP) <(b) (6) Baran, Virginia (OVW) <(b) (6) Chapman, Robert (COPS) <(b) (6) Talebian, Bobak (OIP) <(b) (6) Smith, Christina (ATJ) <(b) (6) Twomey, Tara (USTP) <(b) (6)
Subject: Component Heads: Grants for Sanctuary Jurisdictions
Importance: High

Component Heads:

Last week, Attorney General Bondi instructed the Associate Attorney General to, "[i]n coordination with components that provide Department grants, ... report to the Attorney General the grants to which this requirement [to be compliant with 8 U.S.C. 1373(a)] applies." The deadline for this report is March 7.

Some of your components may not provide Department grants. If your component does not provide grants, please confirm that in a reply.

If your component does provide Department grants, please review the AG's memo and begin compiling a list of grants that are (or might be) responsive to this memo. If possible, please provide that list to me by Monday, March 3. If that will not be possible, please let me know and explain why, and I will see whether we can get any necessary extensions to that deadline.

Thanks very much and please let me know if you have questions.

Jason Manion
Counselor to the Associate Attorney General

From:	Baran, Virginia (OVW)
To:	Collier, Nikki (JMD); Williams, Mike (JMD)
Cc:	Barksdale, Sybil (OVW); Kaplan, Jennifer E. (OVW)
Subject:	FW: Action Required: Component Certification Regarding Implementing Executive Order on "Defending Women from Gender Ideology Extremism and Restoring Biological Truth to the Federal Government" (Requested by: Friday, January 31, 2025, 12:00 p.m.)
Date:	Friday, January 31, 2025 11:53:00 AM
Importance:	High

Good morning, Nikki and Mike,

I'm responding on behalf of the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW). I understand I need to certify that the actions described in the OPM guidance have been completed or are in process of being completed. Notes for items 1b-k are below.

OVW and the grant programs we administer exist to defend women from violence and abuse. By statute the services these grants provide are available to victims of domestic, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking who are born female or male. OVW grantees serve victims regardless of how victims describe themselves. It's our assessment that our work does not inculcate or promote "gender ideology" as described in E.O. 14168 (*Defending Women*). I note, however, that the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA), as amended, prohibits OVW grantees from excluding, denying benefits to, or discriminating against any person on the basis of actual or perceived race, color, religion, national origin, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, or disability in any program or activity funded in whole or in part by OVW. 34 U.S.C. § 12291(b)(13)(A). Recipients may provide sex-segregated or sex-specific programming if doing so is necessary to the essential operation of a program, so long as the recipient provides comparable services to those who cannot be provided with the sex-segregated or sex-specific programming. *Id.* § 12291(b)(13)(B). This non-discrimination provision ensures that OVW-funded services are available for all victims but also permits recipients to provide sex-segregated or sex-specific programming where necessary for, among other reasons, the safety of victims.

I cite this provision because it applies to all OVW grants and serves as context for my responses to the items below.

b. Review all agency programs, contracts, and grants, and terminate any that promote or inculcate gender ideology.
As discussed above, OVW's grant programs are designed to protect women from violence and abuse. All of the programs are subject to the nondiscrimination provision at 34 U.S.C. § 12291(b)(13)(A), which prohibits grant recipients from discriminating against victims on the basis of their actual or perceived sex or gender identity.

I note that the authorizing statutes for two programs we administer—the Underserved Grant Program (34 U.S.C. § 20123) and the LGBT Specific Services Program (34 U.S.C. § 20129)—specifically address, respectively: victim populations that Congress deems underserved because of gender identity and transgender victims. These programs' purposes are to serve victims of domestic and sexual violence and not to promote ideology.

OVW administers grants in accordance with authorizing statutes and regulations. OVW also does not have any contracts that promote or inculcate gender ideology.

c. Review all agency position descriptions and send a notification to all employees whose position description involves inculcating or promoting gender ideology that they are being placed on paid administrative leave effective immediately as the agency takes steps to close/end all initiatives, offices, and programs that inculcate or promote gender ideology.
No OVW position descriptions involve inculcating or promoting gender ideology.

d. Take down all outward facing media (websites, social media accounts, etc.) that inculcate or promote gender ideology.
Our website content is not intended to promote ideology. There is material in which the terms “gender,” “transgender,” and “gender identity” can be found, such as reports to Congress, Notices of Funding Opportunity (NOFOs), resources for grantees, and other documents. Furthermore, “gender-based violence” is a common term that OVW has used as shorthand for the four crimes addressed by VAWA: domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking, all of which disproportionately victimize women. It also may be used to encompass other crimes that disproportionally affect women, such as female genital mutilation, sex trafficking, forced marriage, and honor killings. Does the appearance of these or other terms in OVW’s website content run counter to the E.O.? Are there criteria for establishing whether website and other public-facing content inculcates gender ideology? Further guidance would enable OVW to determine what content to take down.

e. Review agency email systems such as Outlook and turn off features that prompt users for their pronouns.
OVW uses Outlook for email. We called the JCON Service Desk to inquire about whether Outlook has a feature that prompts users for their pronouns and were told that no such feature is available.

f. Withdraw any final or pending documents, directives, orders, regulations, materials, forms, communications, statements, and plans that inculcate or promote gender ideology.
To the best of my knowledge and understanding of the E.O., OVW’s documents, directives, orders, regulations, materials, communications, statements, and plans do not inculcate or promote gender ideology. Our website does contain NOFOs and NOFO companion guides that describe the nondiscrimination provision outlined above, as well as a set of frequently asked questions regarding that provision. The latter document was issued by the Department in April 2014 and is also posted on website of OJP’s Office for Civil Rights, which enforces civil rights laws that apply to OVW recipients.

g. Cancel any trainings that inculcate or promote gender ideology or have done so in the past.
OVW does not have any trainings planned for the purposes of inculcating or promoting gender ideology.

h. Disband or cancel any employee resource groups or special emphasis programs that inculcate or promote gender ideology or have done so in the past.
OVW does not operate employee resources groups or special emphasis programs that inculcate or promote gender ideology.

i. Review all agency forms that require entry of an individual's sex and ensure that all list male or female only, and not gender identity. Remove requests for "gender" and substitute requests for "sex."
OVW is conducting a review of its component-specific forms that require entry of a person's sex. We will ensure the forms refer to "sex" and not "gender" and offer male and female as the options.

j. Ensure that all applicable agency policies and documents, including forms, use the term "sex" and not "gender."
OVW is in the process of reviewing forms to ensure that the term "sex" and not "gender" is used when collecting information about people. To expand this review to cover "policies and documents" more broadly than "forms," however, OVW requests further guidance. "Gender-based violence" is a common term that OVW has often used as shorthand for the four crimes addressed by VAWA: domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking, all of which disproportionately victimize women. Does the use of the term "gender-based violence" run counter to the E.O.?

k. Ensure that intimate spaces designated for women, girls, or females (or for men, boys, or males) are designated by biological sex and not gender identity.
Restroom facilities on OVW's floor at 2CON are labeled "Women" and "Men."

Thank you.

Ginger Baran Lyons
Deputy Director for Grants Development and Management (Supervisory Official)
Office on Violence Against Women (OVW)
U.S. Department of Justice
Tel: (b) (6)

From: The AAG for Administration <(b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2025 2:31 PM
To: The AAG for Administration <(b) (6)
Subject: Action Required: Component Certification Regarding Implementing Executive Order on "Defending Women from Gender Ideology Extremism and Restoring Biological Truth to the Federal Government" (Requested by: Friday, January 31, 2025, 12:00 p.m.)
Importance: High

Dear Component Heads:

The U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM) issued initial guidance (OPM Guidance,

attached) to agencies regarding implementation of President Trump's Executive Order, *Defending Women from Gender Ideology Extremism and Restoring Biological Truth to the Federal Government (Defending Women)*.

The Department of Justice will comply with *Defending Women* and with the OPM Guidance, including the items listed in 1.b-k. Components must complete the actions listed in the OPM Guidance **no later than 12:00pm on Friday, January 31, 2025**.

Please submit written certification from the Head of Component **no later than 12:00pm on Friday, January 31, 2025**, that the actions described in the OPM Guidance have been completed, or are in process of being completed, to Dr. Nikki Collier, JMD Chief of Staff, at (b) (6) and to Mike Williams, Deputy Assistant Attorney General for Human Resources and Administration/Chief Human Capital Officer, at (b) (6)

For more information, you may also contact (b) (6)

Regards,
Jolene Ann Lauria
Assistant Attorney General
for Administration

Bcc:
Chiefs of Staff
Component Executive Officers
Component Administrative Officers
Human Resources Officers
JMD Staff Directors

From: "Baran, Virginia (OVW)" (b) (6) >
To: "Mizelle, Chad (OAG)" <(b) (6)
Cc: "Jahreis, Hannah (OAG)" <(b) (6) >, "Kaplan, Jennifer E. (OVW)" (b) (6)
Subject: For review and approval: OVW NOFO release plan
Date: Wed, 12 Feb 2025 12:58:36 -0500
Importance: Normal
Attachments: Memo_OVW_NOFO_release_plan_2-12-2025.pdf; OVW_NOFO_Release_Plan_Enclosures.zip

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Good afternoon, Chad,

Attached is a memo outlining OVW's proposed plan for NOFOs, as we discussed last Thursday. The zip file contains enclosures. I so appreciate the opportunity to seek approval on this so that we can move ahead in step with the Attorney General's priorities and new directives. I've copied Jennifer Kaplan, OVW's General Counsel, who can help me answer any questions that might come up in OASG's review. We're hoping to get approval as soon as possible so we can get the grants out on time. Thank you!

Ginger
Tel: (b) (6)

From: "Schilling, Nicholas (OLP)" (b) (6) >
To: "Mizelle, Chad (OAG)" <(b) (6)
Subject: DRAFT DEI/A Repot for AG Memo
Date: Thu, 27 Feb 2025 11:42:29 -0500
Importance: Normal
Attachments: Ending_Illegal_DEIA_Enforcement_Report.2.26.25._DRAFT_AS_DISTRIBUTED_FOR_COMPONENT_REVIEW.docx

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Chad, attached is the draft DEI/A report shared with components yesterday for their input. Comments are coming to CRT to then incorporate. I wanted you to have this version in case there's a lag with incorporating the comments.

Nicholas Schilling Jr.
U.S. Department of Justice
Office of Legal Policy, Chief of Staff
(b) (6)
Cell: (b) (6)

From: Terri Poore <(b) (6)
To: (b)(6) - James McHenry Email Address; (b)(6) - Chad Mizelle Email Address; (b)(6) - Jordan Fox Email Address
Cc: Melina Milazzo <(b) (6)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Letter to Attorney General Bondi from Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Programs
Date: Fri, 25 Apr 2025 16:30:44 -0400
Importance: Normal
Attachments: Sign_on_Letter_to_AG_Bondi_expressing_concern_DOJ_Funding_for_DV_DV_SA_Stalking.pdf

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Please find attached a letter to Attorney General Bondi from over 600 local, state, national, and tribal organizations expressing our collective concern about the future of funding from the Department of Justice (DOJ) that forms the backbone of our nation's response to the crimes of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, and traifficking.

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Terri Poore, MSW
Policy Director
National Alliance to End Sexual Violence
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April 25, 2025

The Honorable Pam Bondi
Attorney General
U.S. Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Attorney General Bondi,

The undersigned local, state, and national organizations are writing to express our deep concern about the future of funding from the Department of Justice (DOJ) that has for decades formed the backbone of our nation's response to the crimes of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking and trafficking. This longstanding bipartisan commitment to supporting services and prevention efforts for victims of these crimes remains strong; however, the Department's recent actions have left these critical lifesaving programs uncertain about their ability to continue serving victims.

In February, Notices of Funding Opportunities (NOFOs) were withdrawn from the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) website. These NOFOs are the primary way programs that rely on Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) funding apply for grants as appropriated by Congress. As you know, the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) was recently reauthorized in 2022. In the FY 2025 Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act, Congress appropriated $715 million for VAWA grants intended to go out to grantees across the country by the end of this fiscal year. To date, there has been no information shared about when the NOFOs will be released.

Local, state, and national service providers have been anguished and panicked to receive recent notices terminating their federal grants. In addition, staff reductions at OVW are destabilizing for grantees.

Organizations funded by OVW and Office of Justice Programs (including Office for Victims of Crime) grants are community employers and many have very little funding in reserve to sustain their organizations. Without federal funding many of these organizations will close leaving communities less safe, with reduced access to victim services, law enforcement assistance, and prevention programs. Additionally, this uncertainty is causing workforce instability as rape crisis centers, domestic violence shelters, and other victim service agencies are local employers, conduct workforce development programs, and create job opportunities for victims of crime.

We are committed to and supportive of the important work of OVW and are additionally disheartened by the proposed consolidation plan aimed at drastically reducing the role of the office. OVW provides unique critical expertise and a dedicated independent voice within the federal government for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. No other federal agency has both policy-making authority and also a direct connection to victim service providers and the individuals, families, and communities they serve. We

reemphasize the statutory language creating OVW as updated by Congress in 2022: “The Office [on Violence Against Women] shall be a separate and distinct office within the Department of Justice, not subsumed by any other office, headed by a Director, who shall report to the Attorney General and serve as Counsel to the Attorney General on the subject of violence against women, and who shall have final authority over all grants, cooperative agreements, and contracts awarded by the Office.” 34 U.S.C. § 10442

The terminations of grants, programmatic restructuring, loss of staff, disappearance of NOFOs, and lack of communication from DOJ to the field are causing grave insecurity and alarm across the nation among thousands of direct service providers, rape crisis centers, domestic violence shelters, culturally specific organizations, legal assistance providers, victim advocates, law enforcement agencies, and prosecutors offices.

Funding for victim services and prevention is a smart, high-impact investment that saves lives. The data is clear: Services reduce long-term costs, improve public health, and make communities safer. Research found that in its first five years, the Violence Against Women Act—prevented $14.8 billion in victimization costs. Continuing to invest in a reliable, stable federal response to the crimes of domestic violence and sexual assault isn’t just the right thing to do—it’s a strategic move toward a healthier, more prosperous future where fewer lives are impacted by violence and communities remain safe.

We are asking for assurance that the Department of Justice is committed to continuing the work of OVW and continuing to administer authorized, appropriated federal funding at DOJ to support the nation’s response to domestic violence and sexual assault in a reliable, stable, and timely way. For more information, please contact Terri Poore, Policy Director, National Alliance to End Sexual Violence, (b) (6) or Melina Milazzo, Director of Public Policy, National Network to End Domestic Violence, (b) (6)

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Abigail's Arms Cooke County Family Crisis Center
Abuse and Rape Crisis Center
Abused Women's Aid in Crisis
Activating Change
Advocacy Center of Tompkins County
Ahimsa House
Alamo Area Rape Crisis Center
Alaska Family Services
Alaska Native Women's Resource Center
Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
Alexandra House, Inc.
Alianza Nacional de Campesinas
Alice's Place
Alliance Against Family Violence Inc, LLC
Alliance of Tribal Coalitions to End Violence

All Things New STC
Alma Center, Inc. (WI)
Alternative House
Alternatives Incorporated
American Samoa Alliance against Domestic & Sexual Violence
AMHC Sexual Assault Services
A New Hope Center, Inc.
A New Leaf
Angel Wings Out-Reach Center (MS)
Arise Sexual Assault Services
Arizona Coalition to End Sexual and Domestic Violence
Arkansas Coalition Against Sexual Assault
Artemis Center
A Safe Place, Inc. (MA)
A Safe Place (PA)
Asha Family Services, Inc.
Asian American Community Services
Asian Pacific Institute on Gender Based Violence (API-GBV)
ASISTA
ASPEN Abuse Support & Prevention Education Network
ASTOP, Inc. Sexual Abuse Center
Auglaize County Crisis Center
Avalon Center
AVANZAR
Awaken Voices Domestic Violence, Inc.
Aware, Inc. (PA)
AWARE, Inc. (VT)
A Woman's Place
Ayuda
Barren River Area Safe Space, Inc.
Barrier Free Living
Bay Area Women Against Rape / BRAVE Bay Area
Better Tomorrow
Beyond Harm
Beyond Survival
Blackburn Center
Blackstone Valley Advocacy Center (RI)
BLOOM365 (AZ)
Bluff Country Family Resource, Inc.
Boston Area Rape Crisis Center
Boston Medical Center Domestic Violence Program
Bridges Oregon
BWJP
California Partnership to End Domestic Violence

Call to Safety
Canyon Creek Services
CAPSA
Casa Inc.
Casa Myrna Vazquez
Catalyst
Catholic Charities Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Program
Center Against Rape and Domestic Violence
Center for Abused Persons
Center for Domestic Peace
Center for Gender & Refugee Studies
Center for Hope & Safety
Center for Human Rights and Constitutional Law
Center for the Pacific Asian Family
Centre Safe
Change Is Possible Family Violence Shelter
Chez Hope Inc.
Child and Family Services of Erie County
Children and Families of Iowa
Citizens Against Domestic and Sexual Abuse
Citizens Against Physical, Sexual, and Emotional Abuse, Inc. (CAPSEA)
Clarina Howard Nichols Center
Cleveland Rape Crisis Center
Clinton County Women's Center dba Roads to Peace
Clove Alliance
Coalition to Stop Violence Against Native Women
Collins Center and Child Advocacy Center
Colorado Coalition Against Sexual Assault
Colorado Organization for Victim Assistance (COVA)
Community Against Violence
Community Beyond Violence
Community Crisis Center
Community Solutions
Community Works
COMPASS Family and Community Services
Compassion's Foundation, Inc.
Congreso de Latinos Unidos
Connecticut Alliance to End Sexual Violence
Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence
Cordova Family Resource Center
Core El Centro
County Domestic Violence Program
Crime Victim Services, Inc.
Crime Victims Treatment Center

Criminal and Correctional Reform Consultants
Crisis Center
Crisis Center of the Plains
Crisis Intervention & Advocacy Center
Crisis Intervention Center
Crisis Intervention Service
Crisis Intervention Services
Crow Tribe of Indians Domestic Violence Program (MT)
CRST Family Violence Prevention Services Program (SD)
Cumberland Valley Domestic Violence Services
Dallas Area Rape Crisis Center
DASACC
Day One
DC Coalition Against Domestic Violence
DeafLEAD
DeafPhoenix
Delaware Alliance Against Sexual Violence
Delaware County Victim Assistance Center
District IV HRDC - Victim Services
Diversity Center of Oklahoma Inc.
Domestic Abuse Family Shelter, Inc. (MS)
Domestic and Sexual Violence Services of Carbon County
Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Services of Whatcom County
Domestic Violence Association of Central Kansas (DVACK)
Domestic Violence Center of Chester County (DVCCC)
Domestic Violence Crisis Center
Domestic Violence Intervention Program
Domestic Violence Project of Warren & Washington Counties
Domestic Violence Services, Inc.
Domestic Violence Services Network, Inc.
Domestic Violence Services of Southwestern Pennsylvania
Domestic Violence Solutions for Santa Barbara County
Dove Center
Doves Of Gateway
East Los Angeles Women's Center
East Texas Crisis Center
ECLI-VIBES
Element 74 (MO)
Elizabeth Buffum Chace Center (RI)
Elizabeth Freeman Center, Inc.
EMBARC Iowa
Embrace Services, Inc.
Emerge Center Against Domestic Abuse
Emergency Support Shelter

Empowerhouse
Empower Yolo, Inc.
End Domestic Abuse WI
End Violence Oklahoma
Enfuse Action Collective
Equinox, Inc.
Equitas Health
Esperanza United
Eve, Inc.
Eve's Place
Families In Crisis, Inc.
Families in Transition, Inc.
Family Advocates
Family and Child Abuse Prevention Center
Family and Community Resources, Inc.
Family Care Connection
Family Crisis Center
Family Crisis Center, Inc. (AR)
Family Crisis Center, Inc. (KS)
Family Crisis Centers (IA)
Family Resource Center, Inc.
Family Resources, Inc.
Family Services Incorporated
Family Support Center
Family Tree, Inc.
Family Violence Appellate Project
Family Violence Law Center
Family Violence Prevention, Inc.
Fayette Cares
Fearless! Hudson Valley, Inc
Finch Strategies, LLC
First Light
First Step Domestic Violence Services
Florida Council Against Sexual Violence
Forbes House
Fort Peck Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes' Red Bird Woman Center
Freedom Network USA
Friendship Center of Helena, Inc.
Friendship Home of Lincoln, Inc.
Friend to Friend, Moore County, NC
Georgia Coalition Against Domestic Violence
Good Shepherd Shelter
Goodwill of Greater Cleveland and East Central Ohio
GreenHouse17

Growing Strong Sexual Assault Center
Gulf Coast Center for Nonviolence
HarborCOV
Harbor House Domestic Violence Shelter-OhioGuidestone
Harmony House
Haven, Inc.
Haven House Family Services Center
HAVEN Household Abuse Victims Emergency Network
Haven House of Pickaway County Inc.
Hawaii State Coalition Against Domestic Violence
Hays-Caldwell Women's Center
Healing Action Network, Inc.
Healing Hearts & Families
Healing Native Hearts Coalition
Healthy Alternatives to Violent Environments
Healthy Families of Clallam County
Hearts of Hope
Helping All Victims in Need (HAVIN)
Helping Hands Against Violence
Helping Ourselves Prevent Emergencies
Highland Lakes Family Crisis Center
Hispanic Family Center of Southern NJ
Hope's Door New Beginning Center
Hope Alliance
Hopeful Horizons
HopeWorks of Howard County, Inc.
Hope’s Door
Hunt County Rape Crisis Center, Inc.
Huntingdon House
Idaho Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence
Illinois Accountability Initiative
Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault
IMPACT Boston
InCourage
Indiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence
Indiana Coalition to End Sexual Assault
Inspire Action for Social Change
INTERIM CDA
Interpersonal Violence Program at Coahoma Community College
Interval House
Iowa Coalition Against Domestic Violence
Iowa Coalition Against Sexual Assault
Jane Doe Inc. (MA)
Jeanne Geiger Crisis Center, Inc.

Jefferson City Rape & Abuse Crisis Service
Jewish Family Service
Jewish Family Service Los Angeles
Jewish Family Service of MetroWest NJ
Jewish Women International
Journey to Healing Program Bay Mills Indian Community (MI)
Joyful Heart Foundation
Julie Valentine Center
Just Solutions
Kansas Coalition Against Sexual & Domestic Violence
Kentucky Association of Sexual Assault Programs, Inc.
Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Victim Services & Programs (MI)
King County Sexual Assault Resource Center
Kingsbridge Heights Community Center
Kodiak Women's Resource and Crisis Center
L.I. Against Domestic Violence
Latinas Unidas por un Nuevo Amanecer (L.U.N.A.) (IA)
Laurel House
Legal Momentum, The Women's Legal Defense and Education Fund
Liberty Resources, Inc. - Help Restore Hope Center
Live Violence Free
Lonoke County Safe Haven
Los Angeles LGBT Center
Louisiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence
Louisiana Foundation Against Sexual Assault
Love Mercy Do Justice - The Covenant Church (IL)
Lubbock Open Door
Lubbock Rape Crisis Center dba Voice of Hope
Lumina Alliance
Lutheran Community Services Northwest
Lutheran Settlement House
Lydia’s House, Inc.
Maine Coalition Against Sexual Assault
Maine Coalition to End Domestic Violence
Manavi
Maryland Coalition Against Sexual Assault
Maryland Network Against Domestic Violence
Massachusetts Women of Color Network
Matagorda County Women's Crisis Center, Inc.
Mechanicville Area Community Services Center
Melrose Alliance Against Violence
Merryman House Domestic Crisis Center
Metropolitan Organization Countering Sexual Assault
Michigan Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence

Mid-Coast Family Services
Midwest Native Coalition for Justice and Peace
Miller County Missouri
Milwaukee Center for Children and Youth
Minnesota Alliance on Crime
Minnesota Indian Women's Sexual Assault Coalition
Mississippi Coalition Against Domestic Violence
Mississippi Coalition Against Sexual Assault
Missouri Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence
Monarch Services
Monsoon Asians & Pacific Islanders in Solidarity (IA)
Montana Chapter of the National Organization for Women
Montana Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence
Mosaic Vermont, Inc.
Ms Harm Reduction/The Jack Myers House
Mt. Graham Safe House
Mutual Ground
My Sister's Place
Narika
National Advocacy Center of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd
National Alliance to End Sexual Violence
National Center for Victims of Crime
National Center on Domestic Violence, Trauma, and Mental Health
National Council of Jewish Women - St. Louis
National LGBTQ Institute on Intimate Partner Violence
National Network to End Domestic Violence
National Organization for Victim Advocacy (NOVA)
National Organization for Women
National Organization of Asians & Pacific Islanders Ending Sexual Violence
National Organization of Sisters of Color Ending Sexual Assault
Native Alliance Against Violence
Native Women's Society (SD)
Nebraska Coalition to End Sexual and Domestic Violence
Nevada Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence
New Beginnings APFV
New England Learning Center for Women in Transition (NELCWIT)
New Hope, Inc.
New Hope Crisis Center
New Hope Midcoast
New Jersey Coalition Against Sexual Assault
New Mexico Coalition of Sexual Assault Programs
NEWS, Domestic Violence and Sexual Abuse Services
NewStory Center
New York City Alliance Against Sexual Assault

New York State Coalition Against Domestic Violence
Nisaa African Family Services
NJ Coalition to End Domestic Violence
NMIC
North Brooklyn Coalition Against Family Violence
North Carolina Coalition Against Domestic Violence
North Carolina Coalition Against Sexual Assault
North Coast Rape Crisis Team
North Dakota Domestic & Sexual Violence Coalition
Northeast Georgia Council on Domestic Violence
Northeast Youth and Family Services
Northland Family Help Center
North Star Advocacy Center
Northwest Center Against Sexual Assault
Northwest Georgia Family Crisis Center, Inc.
No To Abuse - Nevada Outreach Training Organization
NWA Center for Sexual Assault
NYC Anti-Violence Project
Ohio Alliance to End Sexual Violence (OAESV)
Ohio Domestic Violence Network
Ohio Hispanic Coalition
Ohio Victim Witness Association
OneEighty
OneVoiceHome
On The Rise, Inc.
Open Arms
Open Arms Domestic Violence & Rape Crisis Services
Options, Inc. (AR)
Orange County District Attorney's Office
Orange County Equality Coalition
Oregon Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence
Oregon Sexual Assault Task Force
Ouray County Support and Advocacy Project
Our House, Inc.
Our Sisters House
Ozark Rape Crisis, Inc.
PAIRWN
Palmetto Citizens Against Sexual Assault
Panhandle Crisis Center, Inc.
Partners Against Violence
Passages, Inc.
Peace House
Peace Over Violence
PeaceWorks, Inc.

Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence
Pennsylvania Coalition to Advance Respect
Penquis Children's Advocacy Center
People First Wisconsin
Phoenix Project
Plumas Rural Services
Polk County House of Hope inc. DBA: Hope's Safe Haven
Prairie Center Against Sexual Assault
Praxis International
PREVAIL
Prevail Illinois
Project Hope of Gunnison Valley
Project PAVE
Project Response
Project Safeguard
Project Sanctuary, Inc.
Project Sister Family Services
Prosecutors Alliance Action
Puerto Rico Coalition against Domestic and Sexual Violence
QUANADA
Rainbow House Domestic Abuse Services, Inc.
Rally Family Visitation Services, UCSF Health Saint Francis Hospital
Rape Advocacy, Counseling, & Education Services
Rape Counseling Services of Fresno
Rape Crisis Center of Collin County, dba The Turning Point
Rape Response Services
Rape Trauma Services: A Center for Healing & Violence Prevention
REACH
REACH Beyond Domestic Violence
Reach Counseling
Reaching HOPE
Reach of Cherokee County, Inc.
REACH of Haywood County
REACH of Macon County
Regional Family Crisis Center
Relationship Safety Alliance
Relationship Safety Alliance
Resilience
Resource & Crisis Center of Galveston County
Respect Together
Response: Help for Survivors of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
Rhode Island Coalition Against Domestic Violence
Rise House
Rise Up Foundation

Riveon Mental Health and Recovery
River City Domestic Violence Center
Riverview Center (IA)
Rockford Sexual Assault Counseling
Rocky Mountain Victim Law Center (CO)
Rural Resources Victim Services and Children's Advocacy Center
Ruth's House, Inc.
SAFE, Inc (MS)
Safe + Sound Somerset
Safe Alternatives to Violent Environments Inc.
Safe Berks
Safe Harbor of Northeast Ky Inc.
Safe Harbors of the Finger Lakes, Inc.
Safe Haven, Inc.
Safe Haven of Pender, Inc.
Safe Havens Interfaith Partnership Against Domestic Violence and Elder Abuse
Safe Horizon
Safehouse Crisis Center, Inc.
Safe House of Southeast Missouri
Safehouse Progressive Alliance for Nonviolence
Safe Journeys
Safeline, Inc.
Safe Passage
Safe Passage, Inc. (MA)
Safe Passage, Inc. (SC)
SafePlace
SAFE San Juans
SafeSpace Anti-Violence Program
Safe Voices
Saint Martha’s
Sakhi for South Asian Survivors
Salem County Women's Services
Saline County Safe Haven, Inc.
Samaritan House, Inc.
Sanctuary, Inc.
Sanctuary for Families
Sanders County Coalition For Families
Sandhills Crisis Intervention Program
San Francisco Asian Women’s Shelter
San Francisco Women Against Rape
Schuylkill Hope Center for Victims of Domestic Violence
Scott County Shelter Society
Second Chance DV SA Shelter
Seekhaven, Inc.

Semo Family Violence Council
Sexual Assault and Family Emergencies (SAFE)
Sexual Assault Center
Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Services
Sexual Assault Resource Center
Sexual Assault Response Services of Southern Maine
Sexual Assault Services of Northwest New Mexico
Sexual Assault Services Organization
Sexual Assault Support Services of Lane County, Oregon
Sexual Trauma Awareness & Response (STAR) Center
Sexual Violence Center
Shelter From The Storm, Inc.
Sheltering Hands
Sierra Community House
Sitkans Against Family Violence
Sojourner Family Peace Center
Sojourner House (RI)
Someplace Safe
South Carolina Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
South Dakota Coalition Ending Domestic and Sexual Violence
South Dakota Network Against Family Violence and Sexual Assault
South Valley Services
Southwest AR Crisis & Resource Center
Southwest Indigenous Women's Coalition
Spanish American Center
St. Louis Survivors Legal Support, Inc.
STAND! for Families Free of Violence
Stanislaus County Commission for Women
Stanislaus Family Justice Center
STAR (Standing Together Against Rape)
Stepping Stones, Inc.
StrengthUnited
Strong Hearted Native Women's Coalition, Inc.
Sullivan County Victim Services
Survival Adult Abuse Center, Inc. (MO)
Survivor Advocacy Outreach Program
Survivor Justice Center
Survivor Resource Center
Susan B. Anthony Project
Tabernacle Church
Tahirih Justice Center
Tennessee Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence
Texas Association Against Sexual Assault
Texas Council on Family Violence

The Advocates for Human Rights
The Beaman Home
The Blue Bench
The Bridge to Hope
The Center for Child and Family Advocacy/The House of Ruth
The Center for Empowerment and Education
The Center for Hope and Healing
The Center for Violence Free Relationships
The Center for Women and Families, Inc.
The Domestic Violence Shelter, Inc.
The DOVE Project
The DOVES Program
The Family Resource Center
The Harbor Children's Alliance and Victim Center
The Haven Shelter and Services, Inc.
The Ion Center for Violence Prevention
The Korean-American Family Service Center
The Mend Collaborative (CA)
The Network/La Red (MA)
The Network Against Domestic Abuse
The Refuge Utah
The Retreat Inc. (NY)
The Second Step
The Shade Tree, Inc.
The Wellspring Alliance for Families, Inc.
The Women's Center, Inc.
The Women's Community
Thrive Together Today, Inc. (IA)
Through These Doors
Tides of Change
Transitions Family Violence Services
Tri-County Help Center, Inc.
Tri-Valley Haven
Tundra Women's Coalition
Turning Point Domestic Violence Services
Turning Point of Lehigh Valley, Inc.
Ujima, The National Center on Violence Against Women in the Black Community
Umbrella, Inc.
Unalaskans Against Sexual Assault & Family Violence (USAFV)
UNIDOS
Union for Reform Judaism
Unitarian Universalist Urban Ministry
United Services, Inc
Uniting Three Fires Against Violence (MI)

Upper Ohio Valley Sexual Assault Help Center, Inc.
Urban Justice Center
Urban Native Collective
Utah Association for Domestic Violence Treatment
Utah Domestic Violence Coalition
Valencia Shelter Services
VALOR
Vera House, Inc.
Verde Valley Sanctuary
Verity
Vermont Network Against Domestic and Sexual Violence
Victim Outreach Intervention Center, Inc. (VOICe)
Victim Rights Law Center
Victims Assistance Center of Jefferson County
Victim Services Inc.
Victim-Witness Assistance Services
Violence Free Colorado
Violence Free Futures
Violence Free Minnesota
Violence Intervention & Treatment Program (VITP)
Violence Intervention Program
Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Action Alliance
Voices Against Violence/CVOEO
Voices of Hope, Lincoln
VOICES of Stephenson County
W.O.M.A.N., Inc.
Wafa House
Washington Coalition of Rabbis
Washington State Coalition Against Domestic Violence
Waymakers
WEAVE
Wellspring
Westchester Medical Center Victim Services
West Virginia Coalition Against Domestic Violence
Where All Women Are Honored - Winyan Wicayuonihan Oyanke (SD)
White Buffalo Calf Women's Society Inc. (SD)
White County Domestic Violence Prevention
Wild Iris Family Counseling & Crisis Services
Wings (CO)
Wintergarden Women's Shelter, Inc
WIRC CAA Victim Services
Wisconsin Coalition Against Sexual Assault
Womankind
Women's Center & Shelter of Greater Pittsburgh

Women's Center-High Desert, Inc.
Women's Center of Brazoria County
Women's Center of Montgomery County
Women's Equal Justice
Women's Law Center of Maryland Inc.
Women's Leadership Project Los Angeles
Women's Resource Center
Women's Resource Center
Women's Shelter of South Texas DBA The Purple Door
Women & Children First
Women Against Abuse
Women In Safe Home, Inc
Women In Transition
Women of Reform Judaism
Women's Center for Advancement
Women's Center of East Texas
Women's Foundation of Oregon
WRC
YCC Family Crisis Center
YWCA Central MA
YWCA Central Virginia
YWCA Clark County
YWCA Cortland Aid to Victims of Violence
YWCA Golden Gate Silicon Valley
YWCA Greater Cincinnati
YWCA Greater Harrisburg
YWCA Greater Lafayette
YWCA Hanover
YWCA McLean County Stepping Stones
YWCA Metro St. Louis
YWCA Mohawk Valley
YWCA Northeast Kansas
YWCA of Eastern Union County
YWCA of Northwest Ohio
YWCA USA
YWCA York
Zacharias Sexual Abuse Center
ZeroV (KY)

From: "Henneberg, Maureen (OJP)" <(b) (6)
To: "Mizelle, Chad (OAG)" <(b) (6)
Cc: "Roos, Nick (ODAG)" <(b) (6) "Cypher, Catharine (OAG)" <(b) (6) "Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG)" <(b) (6) "Madan, Rafael A. (OJP)" <(b) (6) "Allen, Lara (OJP)" <(b) (6)
Subject: Get backs from OJP's Meeting Last Week: Final Substantive "Sanctuary Cities" Rulings
Date: Mon, 03 Feb 2025 17:04:00 -0500
Importance: Normal
Attachments: Cities_of_Providence_and_Central_Falls_v._Barr_(1st_Cir).pdf; City_of_Los_Angeles_v._Sessions_(district_ct).pdf; Colorado_v._Bar_(district_ct).pdf; NY,_CT,_NJ,_Washington,_Massachusetts,_VA,_Rhode_Island,_NYC_v._Barr_(2nd_Cir).pdf; Oregon,_California,_San_Francisco_(9th_Cir).pdf; Philadelphia_v._Sessions_(3rd_Cir).pdf; San_Francisco_v._Barr_(9th_Cir).pdf; Los_Angeles_v._Barr_(9th_Cir).pdf; Chicago_v._Barr_(7th_Cir).pdf; City_of_Evanston_and_U.S._Conference_of_Mayors_v._Barr_(district_ct).pdf; City_of_Evanston_and_U.S._Conference_of_Mayors_v._Barr_(district_ct)_(AMENDED_FINAL_JUDGMENT_AND_ORDER).pdf

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Hello Chad – Rafe has provided the final substantive rulings as discussed at our meeting last week. Thank you, Maureen

Listed below are the final substantive rulings in the "sanctuary-cities" cases that were filed against the first Trump Administration. (Each ruling also is attached hereto as a .pdf file, for ease of reference.)

Cities of Providence and Central Falls v. *Barr*, 19-1802 (1st Cir. March 24, 2020)

New York, Connecticut, New Jersey, Washington, Massachusetts, Virginia, Rhode Island, City of New York v. *Barr*, 19-267, 19-275 (2nd Cir. Feb. 26, 2020)

Philadelphia v. *Sessions*, 18-2648 (3rd Cir. Feb. 15, 2019): the Department petitioned for a panel rehearing but the request was denied.

Chicago v. *Barr*, 18-2885, 19-3290 (7th Cir. April 30, 2020)

City of Evanston and U.S. Conference of Mayors v. *Barr*, 1:18-cv-04853 (N.D. Ill. Sept. 26, 2019): appealed to 7th Cir. (18-3178) and then jointly dismissed. There was subsequent litigation over attorney fees and expenses that was also appealed to the 7th Cir. (20-2150 and 20-2447). The district court issued an amended final order and judgment on November 15, 2021 (also attached).

City and County of San Francisco v. *Barr*, 18-17308, 18-17311 (9th Cir. July 20, 2020): a petition for a writ of certiorari was filed in Supreme Court but it was dismissed upon a joint stipulation of dismissal.

Oregon v. *Biden and Garland* (19-35843), *California* v. *Garland* (19-15950), *City and County of San Francisco* v. *Garland* (19-15947) (9th Cir. July 29, 2022)

City of Los Angeles v. *Sessions*, 2:18-cv-07347 (C.D. Cal. Feb. 15, 2019): appealed to the 9th Cir. (19-55314) and then stayed until resolution of *City of Los Angeles* v. *Barr*, No. 18-56292. The appeal for this case (19-55314) was eventually dismissed upon motion of the Department.

City of Los Angeles v. *Barr*, 18-56292 (9th Cir. Oct 31, 2019)

Colorado v. Barr, 19-cv-00736 (D. Col. April 23, 2020): this district court decision was appealed to the 10th Circuit (case no. 20-1256) but then was dismissed upon motion of the Department, without an appeals court ruling's having been issued.

From: "Mizelle, Chad (OAG)" <(b) (6)
To: "Fielden, Micah (OASG)" <(b) (6) "Jahreis, Hannah (OAG)" <(b) (6)
Cc: "Woodward, Stanley (OAG)" <(b) (6) "Harwood, Stacy (OASG)" <(b) (6) "Lea, Brian (OASG)" <(b) (6) "Bondoc, Ashleigh (OASG)" <(b) (6)
Subject: Re: ECATS-2025-398764 VIP Correspondence (Controlled)-State & Local Government-AG-Bondi
Date: Tue, 19 Aug 2025 09:22:05 -0400
Importance: Normal

If Stanley and Micah are okay, then good by me.

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From: Fielden, Micah (OASG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, August 18, 2025 2:38:36 PM
To: Jahreis, Hannah (OAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6) Woodward, Stanley (OAG) <(b) (6) Harwood, Stacy (OASG) <(b) (6) Lea, Brian (OASG) <(b) (6) Bondoc, Ashleigh (OASG) <(b) (6)
Subject: ECATS-2025-398764 VIP Correspondence (Controlled)-State & Local Government-AG-Bondi

Hi Hannah,

Please see attached a draft response to a July 7, 2025 letter from Sherene Hess, President of the County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania. Ms. Hess writes about termination of funds for the National Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Resource Center (PRC). Stanley and I have reviewed the response and recommend that Chad approve.

Stacy, will you please deliver the folder to Hannah?

Thanks,
Micah

From: Harwood, Stacy (OASG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, August 18, 2025 1:19 PM
To: Fielden, Micah (OASG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Bondoc, Ashleigh (OASG) <(b) (6) Lea, Brian (OASG) <(b) (6)
Subject: FW: ECATS-2025-398764 VIP Correspondence (Controlled)-State & Local Government-AG-Bondi

*****You and Stanley reviewed and already approved. *****

For your review. I have the blue folder in the OASG front office.

Subject: Writing to express their deep concern regarding the U.S. Department of Justice's decision in 04/2025 to terminate funding for the National Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Resource Center and associated federal support programs. Ltr also was signed by the additional signees.

OJP prepared a response letter to the original writer. Draft included for leadership approval. Letter to be signed by Tammie Gregg, Acting Director of OJP's BJA.

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Signature: Page 1

Comments:

From: Quesada, Kathy (OES) <(b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2025 3:00 PM
To: Harwood, Stacy (OASG) <(b) (6)
Subject: ECATS-2025-398764 VIP Correspondence (Controlled)-State & Local Government-AG-Bondi

Hi Stacy,

The above pkg has been assigned to OASG. The blue folder will be delivered shortly.

(b) (6) [redacted]

From: "Bhirud, Ketan (ODAG)" <(b) (6)
To: "Wharton, Kendra (ODAG)" <(b) (6) "McHenry, James (ODAG)" <(b) (6)
Cc: "Mizelle, Chad (OAG)" <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: PREA/Transgender
Date: Thu, 27 Mar 2025 22:14:01 -0400
Importance: Normal

James, Thanks. This is helpful. Please keep me in the loop on the proposed letters.

Chad, you don't need to do anything on this right now. James or I will keep you updated. It sounds like James has a plan to (b) (5)

Ketan Bhirud
Associate Deputy Attorney General
U.S. Department of Justice

From: Wharton, Kendra (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, March 27, 2025 7:49 PM
To: Bhirud, Ketan (ODAG) <(b) (6) McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: Fwd: PREA/Transgender

Looping in Ketan who spoke with Chad.

Begin forwarded message:

From: "McHenry, James (ODAG)" <(b) (6)
Date: March 27, 2025 at 7:24:15 PM EDT
To: "Wharton, Kendra (ODAG)" <(b) (6)
Subject: PREA/Transgender

Kendra,

It took OJP forever to get back to me and their data is old. But there are (b) (5) We're going to have OJP send them letters and also flag the issue for later this year when each facility is due for its scheduled PREA audit.
If you or Chad need any further information on this, let me know.
Thanks.

James

(b) (5)

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From: "Cypher, Catharine (OAG)" <(b) (6)
To: "Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG)" <(b) (6) "Makecha, Tarak (JMD)" <(b) (6) "McHenry, James (ODAG)" <(b) (6)
Cc: "Mizelle, Chad (OAG)" <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: OJP Maine Grants
Date: Mon, 07 Apr 2025 19:26:02 -0400
Importance: Normal

Please add this one:

15PBJS-24-GK-01850-BJSB

From: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, April 7, 2025 7:14 PM
To: Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: Re: OJP Maine Grants

They're on it!

Vetan

From: Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, April 7, 2025 7:13:06 PM
To: Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6) Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6)
McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: OJP Maine Grants

Thanks, is Daniel Bell sending those to OJP to action tonight? If not, I am happy to.

From: Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, April 7, 2025 6:39 PM
To: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6) McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: OJP Maine Grants

Cuts approved by the AG to cut immediately:

15PBJA-23-GG-04170-ADVA
15PBJA-21-GG-02792-SMTP
15PJDP-22-GG-03097-COIP
15PBJA-23-GG-02430-SCAX

From: "McHenry, James (ODAG)" <(b) (6)
To: "Blanche40, Todd (ODAG)" <(b) (6) "Bove, Emil (ODAG)" <(b) (6)
Subject: FW: Tranche 1 Grant Terminations
Date: Wed, 23 Apr 2025 15:07:49 -0400
Importance: Normal
Attachments: Grant_Terminations_Tranche_1_20250423.xlsx

A summary of the grants terminated in Tranche 1.

From: Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, April 23, 2025 3:04 PM
To: Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6) Conklin, Hayley (OAG) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6) McHenry, James (ODAG) <(b) (6) Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Davis, Steven M. EOP/DOGE <(b) (6)
Subject: Tranche 1 Grant Terminations

Team,

Providing a few facts around the grant terminations.

- Total Grants in Tranche 1 that were terminated yesterday was 365 from OJP (see attached)
- These 365 grants represent 3.3% of the discretionary grant total of 10,971 or **2.2% of all grants of 16,913**
- Of the 365, 339 came from non-profits per guidance in our last working session to (b) (5)
- For example, (b) (5)
- **339 non-profit grants represent 22% of the total OJP non-profit total** (b) (5) exclusions were made based on prior guidance to exclude categories including:
  - (b) (5)
- I had an additional eyes that looked at these grants and two levels of approvals
- We used a 30 day appeal period in which we can not terminate if we want to keep them

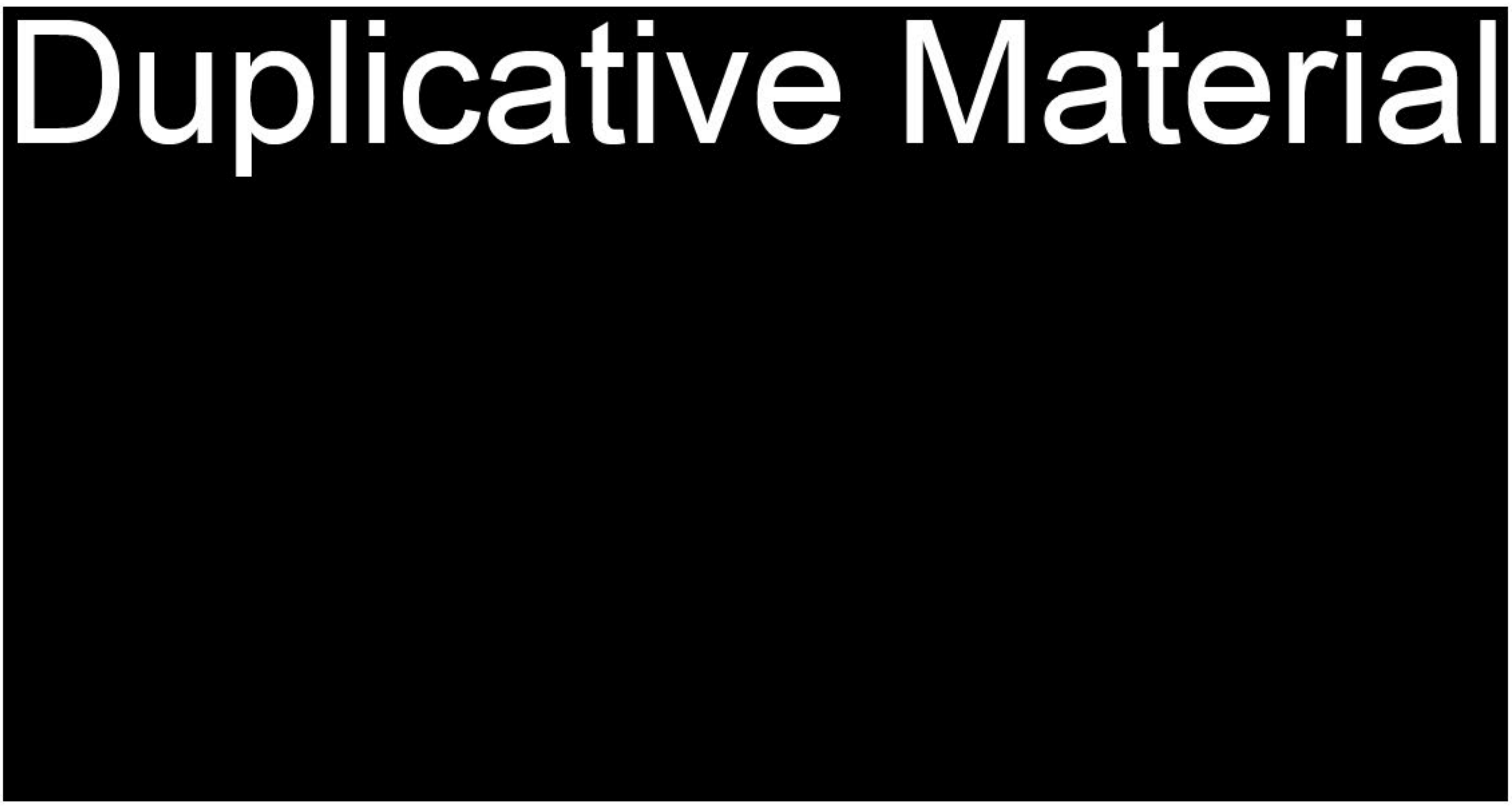
From: "Gilmartin, Chad (PAO)" <(b) (6)
To: "Woodward, Stanley (OAG)" <(b) (6)
Subject: Fw: Tranche 1 Grant Terminations
Date: Thu, 24 Apr 2025 16:10:25 -0400
Importance: Normal
Attachments: Grant_Terminations_Tranche_1_20250423.xlsx

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From: Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, April 24, 2025 9:24:32 AM
To: Gilmartin, Chad (PAO) <(b) (6) Jag, Rachel (ODAG) <(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6)
Subject: Fwd: Tranche 1 Grant Terminations

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Makecha, Tarak (JMD)" (b) (6)
Date: April 23, 2025 at 3:04:22 PM EDT
To: "Mizelle, Chad (OAG)" (b) (6) "Conklin, Hayley (OAG)" (b) (6) "Cypher, Catharine (OAG)" (b) (6) "McHenry, James (ODAG)" (b) (6) "Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG)" (b) (6) "Davis, Steven M. EOP/DOGE" (b) (6)
Subject: Tranche 1 Grant Terminations



From: "Woodward, Stanley (OAG)" <(b) (6)
To: "Fielden, Micah (OASG)" <(b) (6) "Bondoc, Ashleigh (OASG)" <(b) (6)
Subject: Fw: Tranche 1 Grant Terminations
Date: Tue, 29 Apr 2025 11:48:00 -0400
Importance: Normal
Attachments: Grant_Terminations_Tranche_1_20250423.xlsx

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From: Gilmartin, Chad (PAO) <(b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, April 24, 2025 4:10:25 PM
To: Woodward, Stanley (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: Fw: Tranche 1 Grant Terminations

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Subject: Tranche 1 Grant Terminations



From: "Woodward, Stanley (OAG)" <(b) (6)>
To: "Jag, Rachel (ODAG)" (b) (6) "Bondoc, Ashleigh (OASG)" (b) (6) Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG)" <(b) (6)>
Cc: "Mizelle, Chad (OAG)" (b) (6), "Cypher, Catharine (OAG)" (b) (6)>
Subject: RE: Tranche 1 Grant Terminations
Date: Mon, 12 May 2025 10:00:04 -0400
Importance: Normal
Attachments: Grant_Terminations_Tranche_1_20250423.xlsx; 2-28_Ltr_in_Support_of_Contd_Funding_for_AGA_CWAG.pdf

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Stop me if somebody has already handled but (b) (5)

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Can we confirm? (b) (5)

Thanks,

Stanley

From: Cypher, Catharine (OAG) (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, April 24, 2025 9:24:32 AM
To: Gilmartin, Chad (PAO) (b) (6) >; Jag, Rachel (ODAG) (b) (6) >; McGavick, Gates (PAO) (b) (6)
Subject: Fwd: Tranche 1 Grant Terminations

Duplicative Material

The Honorable Donald J. Trump
President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20500

Secretary of State Marco Rubio
U.S. Department of State
2201 C Street NW
Washington, DC 20520

Attorney General Pam Bondi
U.S. Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20530

Re: Continued Federal Support for the Attorney General Alliance Binational State Attorneys General Exchange and Training Program with Mexico & the National Association of Attorneys General Costa Rican Judicial Police Award

Dear Mr. President, Secretary Rubio, and General Bondi:

We, the President of the National Association of Attorneys General and the Chair of the Attorney General Alliance, along with our fellow State and Territory Attorneys General write to express our strong support for resuming and continuing funding for the Attorney General Alliance (AGA) and the Conference of Western Attorneys General (CWAG) *Binational State Attorneys General Exchange and Training* program with Mexico, which operates under the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL); as well as the National Association of Attorneys General (NAAG) 1-year international award with the U.S. Department of State offering technical assistance and support to the Costa Rican Judicial Police under the Costa Rica Attorney General Office.

As Attorneys General, we see firsthand the impact of transnational crime—particularly drug trafficking, violent crime, and money laundering—on our communities. The AGA and NAAG programs are vital in addressing these threats through enhanced collaboration and by strengthening Mexico and Costa Rica's legal systems. Focusing first on AGA's Binational State Attorneys General Exchange Program, this initiative, facilitated by the AGA and involving state and territorial Attorneys General, brings together U.S. and Mexican law enforcement officials, including prosecutors, investigators, forensic experts, and criminal analysts. By providing training in investigative techniques, legal strategies, and trial advocacy, the program enhances cross-border cooperation and helps dismantle criminal networks. Since its inception in 2008, 38 states and three territories have participated and hosted delegations, with the most recent event in Louisiana bringing together officials from several Mexican state Offices of the Attorney General.

Mexico's 2008 constitutional reforms introduced the adversarial system with oral trials, strengthened due process protections, and improved judicial transparency, all of which help combat corruption and enhance public trust in their criminal justice system. The AGA directly supports these reforms, equipping Mexican prosecutors with essential tools and training. Since 2008, the program has trained over 74,000 Mexican law enforcement officials both in-person and online, with nearly one-third—approximately 25,000—trained in just the last three and a half years. This demonstrates the program's growing demand and effectiveness.

However, drug cartels continue to resist these reforms, challenging prosecutors and law enforcement officials. The training offered through this program not only provides critical legal skills but also demonstrates how an efficient judicial system functions. It is a critical opportunity for the United States to have a direct influence on Mexico's criminal justice system. A loss of funding would be a serious setback, weakening prosecutorial capabilities and disrupting the progress made in strengthening Mexico's system.

Mexican prosecutors and law enforcement officials involved in this program have shown remarkable courage. Many have been threatened, targeted, and even murdered for their commitment to the rule of law. Some have shared their experiences with us, revealing scars from bullet wounds sustained in the line of duty. Their families live under constant threat simply for their dedication to justice. Supporting them strengthens the rule of law across our shared border, creating a safer and more stable region.

NAAG offers a similar program through its grant award in Costa Rica. The work of the Attorneys General through the NAAG program supports building the Costa Rican justice system and improves ethics and transparency, which in turn directly benefits the United States. Continuing the essential work underwritten by this grant helps to reduce transnational crime, corruption, and deficient investigative and vulnerable judicial practices in Costa Rica, all of which ultimately can and will have deleterious effects on the United States. Strengthening Costa Rica's justice system and supporting Costa Rican justice sector reform also aids in protecting the security of our borders.

These programs enhance Mexico and Costa Rica's ability to investigate and prosecute crime, improving internal security and, by extension, U.S. national security. It also promotes cross-border relationships, communication between law enforcement agencies, and long-term cooperation, which are critical to fighting border crime. These programs' unique benefits and long-term impact cannot easily be replicated. Losing them would undermine years of progress and degrade the safety of our communities.

For these reasons, we, the Attorneys General of our respective States and Territories as identified below, respectfully urge your Administration to continue investing in these essential programs. Thank you for your attention to this critical matter.

Sincerely,



John Formella
President
National Association of Attorneys General
New Hampshire Attorney General



Treg R. Taylor

Chair
Attorney General Alliance
Alaska Attorney General



Lynn Fitch
Co-Chair AGA Rule of Law
Mississippi Attorney General



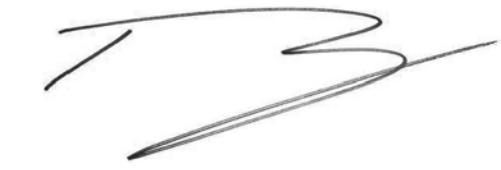
Liz Murrill
Louisiana Attorney General



Kwame Raoul
Illinois Attorney General



Aaron D. Ford
Nevada Attorney General



Raúl Torrez
New Mexico Attorney General

From: "Bondoc, Ashleigh (OASG)" <(b) (6)
To: "Woodward, Stanley (OAG)" <(b) (6) "Jag, Rachel (ODAG)" <(b) (6) "Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG)" <(b) (6) "Fielden, Micah (OASG)" <(b) (6)
Cc: "Mizelle, Chad (OAG)" <(b) (6) "Cypher, Catharine (OAG)" <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Tranche 1 Grant Terminations
Date: Mon, 12 May 2025 10:01:20 -0400
Importance: Normal

+ @Fielden, Micah (OASG)

M. Ashleigh Bondoc
Office of the Associate Attorney General
U.S. Department of Justice
(b) (6)

From: Woodward, Stanley (OAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, May 12, 2025 10:00 AM
To: Jag, Rachel (ODAG) <(b) (6) Bondoc, Ashleigh (OASG) <(b) (6) Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Tranche 1 Grant Terminations

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From: "Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG)" <(b) (6)
To: "Woodward, Stanley (OAG)" <(b) (6) "Jag, Rachel (ODAG)" <(b) (6) "Bondoc, Ashleigh (OASG)" <(b) (6)
Cc: "Mizelle, Chad (OAG)" <(b) (6) "Cypher, Catharine (OAG)" <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Tranche 1 Grant Terminations
Date: Mon, 12 May 2025 10:13:19 -0400
Importance: Normal

Hi Stanley,

I've reached out to our Office of Overseas Prosecutorial Development, Assistance and Training (OPDAT) to see if they can confirm.

Vetan

From: Woodward, Stanley (OAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, May 12, 2025 10:00 AM
To: Jag, Rachel (ODAG) <(b) (6) Bondoc, Ashleigh (OASG) <(b) (6) Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
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Cc: "Conklin, Hayley (OAG)" <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final Tranche 1 Grant List for AG Meeting
Date: Tue, 08 Apr 2025 17:27:03 -0400
Importance: Normal
Inline-Images: image001.png

I can create a scenario toggle for this.

From: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, April 8, 2025 4:40 PM
To: Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6) Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) Gilmartin, Chad (PAO) <(b) (6)
Cc: Conklin, Hayley (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final Tranche 1 Grant List for AG Meeting

Is it worth adding some (b) (5) entities to the revised Tranche 1? (b) (5)

From: Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, April 8, 2025 10:32 AM
To: Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) Gilmartin, Chad (PAO) <(b) (6) Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Cc: Conklin, Hayley (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: Final Tranche 1 Grant List for AG Meeting

Team,

I'm going 'pencils down' on the Tranche 1 grant analysis. See attached and below. Current total for termination for this tranche is (b) (5)

(b) (5)

Also, we have either terminated or have approval to terminate 10 grants. Five tied to Maine and five tied to Vera. Those are included in the figures below.

Let me know if there is any further analysis or supporting documentation needed before we meet with the AG.

Assuming the AG approves, I think there is further opportunity with OJP (expansion of in-scope geographies), COPS and OVW. We can call this 'Tranche 2' and move to get a list within 24 - 48 hours and approval to terminate as soon as the AG's schedule allows.

OJP Discretionary Grants	Overall	Terminate	Keep
Sanctuary	(b) (5)		
Not Sanctuary			
TBD			
Total			

From: "Makecha, Tarak (JMD)" <(b) (6)
To: "Cypher, Catharine (OAG)" <(b) (6) "Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG)" <(b) (6) "Mizelle, Chad (OAG)" <(b) (6) "McGavick, Gates (PAO)" <(b) (6) "Gilmartin, Chad (PAO)" <(b) (6)
Cc: "Conklin, Hayley (OAG)" <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final Tranche 1 Grant List for AG Meeting
Date: Fri, 18 Apr 2025 10:19:01 -0400
Importance: Normal
Inline-Images: image001.png; image002.png

Hi – Wanted to check in to see if there are any feedback on the analysis and next steps.

If no feedback on the analysis, (b) (5)

From: Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, April 14, 2025 10:25 PM
To: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6) Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) Gilmartin, Chad (PAO) <(b) (6)
Cc: Conklin, Hayley (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final Tranche 1 Grant List for AG Meeting

Thank you for all of your work on this! I am going to need a day or two to review the new analysis. I will try and have this turned around by Wednesday at the latest.

From: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, April 14, 2025 4:16 PM
To: Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6) Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) Gilmartin, Chad (PAO) <(b) (6)
Cc: Conklin, Hayley (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final Tranche 1 Grant List for AG Meeting

The proposed cuts make sense to me. Here's a draft termination notice that (1) provides grantees with 30 days to appeal and (2) makes clear that if the grantee's appeal is successful, funding will be promptly restored.

Here's how the appeal process could work:

(b) (5)

From: Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6)
Sent: Monday, April 14, 2025 3:13 PM
To: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) Gilmartin, Chad (PAO) <(b) (6)
Cc: Conklin, Hayley (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final Tranche 1 Grant List for AG Meeting

Bumping this. Can we move to terminate with the 30 day window to justify?

From: Makecha, Tarak (JMD)
Sent: Friday, April 11, 2025 11:35 AM
To: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6) Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) Gilmartin, Chad (PAO) <(b) (6)
Cc: Conklin, Hayley (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final Tranche 1 Grant List for AG Meeting

Team,

See attached and below. Total recommended for termination is now (b) (5). I would define this as a conservative cut.

The new analysis looks (b) (5)
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The normal caveat applies – significant judgement was applied, so additional eyes on this would be prudent.

I'd also value feedback on the next steps, with an optimization for speed of execution…

OJP Discretionary Grants	Overall	Terminate	Not in Termination Tranche
Sanctuary	(b) (5)		
Not Sanctuary			
TBD			
Total			

OJP Discretionary Grants	Overall	Terminate	Not in Termination Tranche
Not 501(c)(3)	(b) (5)		
501(c)(3)			
Total			

From: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG) <(b) (6)
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To: Makecha, Tarak (JMD) <(b) (6) Mizelle, Chad (OAG) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6) McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) Gilmartin, Chad (PAO) <(b) (6)
Cc: Conklin, Hayley (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: RE: Final Tranche 1 Grant List for AG Meeting

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From: "Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG)" <(b) (6)
To: "Mizelle, Chad (OAG)" <(b) (6) "Cypher, Catharine (OAG)" <(b) (6) "McGavick, Gates (PAO)" <(b) (6)
Cc: "Henricks, Aaron (ODAG)" <(b) (6)
Subject: Press talking points re: grants
Date: Tue, 11 Mar 2025 11:36:00 -0400
Importance: Normal
Attachments: DOJ_Grant_Freeze_Background_+_Messaging_(vk).docx

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Hi All,

Attached are additional examples of the programs we're planning to terminate and a few modified messaging points. Let me know if this is what you had in mind.

Thanks,

Vetan

From: Kapoor, Vetan (ODAG)
Sent: Tuesday, March 11, 2025 10:12 AM
To: McGavick, Gates (PAO) <(b) (6) Cypher, Catharine (OAG) <(b) (6)
Subject: Draft press talking points

Hey – would you all mind sending me the draft messaging document we were discussing this morning?

Thanks!

Vetan