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Office of Justice Programs

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

United States Attorneys

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Open Grant Program Solicitations from the Office of Justice

Programs

The Office of Justice Programs (OJP) provides federal leadership in developing the Nation's capacity to prevent and control crime, administer justice, and assist victims. In this capacity, OJP administers the majority of the Department of Justice (DOJ) grant funding as appropriated by Congress. In an effort to keep United States Attorneys informed of open FY 2015 grant solicitations, we are providing the following information.

FY 2015 Grant Program Solicitations

Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)

Solicitation Title: BJA, Justice Information Sharing Training and Technical Assistance (JIS TTA) Program

Who Can Apply? Applicants are limited to public agencies that perform criminal justice functions, and public or private entities including, but not limited to, for-profit (commercial) and non-profit organizations (including tribal for-profit and non-profit organizations), faith-based and community organizations, Federally recognized Indian tribal governments (as determined by the Secretary of the Interior) that perform law enforcement functions, and institutions of higher education (including tribal institutions of higher education) that support national level initiatives to improve the functioning of the criminal justice system. Consistent with OJP fiscal requirements, for-profit organizations are not permitted to make a profit as a result of this award or charge a management fee for the performance of this award.

What's It For? BJA will award funding to support efforts of state, local, and tribal criminal justice agencies to adopt innovative justice information sharing solutions through the provision of training and technical assistance services. Funding is being made available under two priority categories: State Cybersecurity Technical Assistance Program, and Implementing Privacy and Civil Liberties Protections for Information Sharing Practitioners. Initiatives supported under this solicitation must adopt strategies consistent with the DOJ Global Standards Package (GSP) and support criminal justice policies, practices, and programs that are data-driven and evidence-based.

When's It Due? Applications are due July 30, 2015.

Please review the requirements set forth in the solicitation above and encourage eligible entities to submit applications for funding. For more information, please visit OJP's website, www.ojp.gov. Open solicitations are posted at www.grants.gov and ojp.gov/funding/Explore/CurrentFundingOpportunities.htm.

If you have any questions, please contact Ralph E. Martin, Director, Office of Audit, Assessment, and Management at (202) 305-1802, or by e-mail at ralph.martin@usdoj.gov.

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