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## JUSTICE DEPARTMENT AWARDS \$192 MILLION TO ADVANCE FORENSIC SCIENCE

Since 2004, the Office of Justice Programs has received an annual appropriation for DNA and other forensic science activities. The funding is administered through OJP's Bureau of Justice Assistance and National Institute of Justice and supports DNA analysis, laboratory capacity enhancement and forensic science research that provides knowledge and tools to improve the quality and practice of forensic science.

#### **Bureau of Justice Assistance (\$165.4 million)**

#### DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program (\$80.7 million)

The program has been a source of funding to states and local jurisdictions since 2011. The funding is awarded to states, then divided among eligible crime labs within the state. The awards assist with increasing the capacity for DNA analysis and the number of DNA samples, while decreasing the backlog and turnaround time for DNA analysis. Recipients may use funding to upgrade laboratories and purchase equipment and supplies, such as DNA sample collection kits.

State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
AK	Alaska Department of Public Safety	\$473,435
AL	Alabama Department of Forensic Services	\$1,287,647
AR	Arkansas State Crime Laboratory	\$1,094,178
AZ	City of Tucson	\$252,900
AZ	City of Mesa an Arizona Municipal Corporation	\$250,025
AZ	Arizona Department of Public Safety	\$754,606
AZ	City of Phoenix Police Department	\$576,697
AZ	Scottsdale Police Department Crime Laboratory	\$250,025
CA	Fresno County Sheriff Department	\$376,101
CA	City of San Diego	\$376,004
CA	Orange County Sheriff Coroner Department	\$405,643
CA	County of San Bernardino	\$408,260
CA	County of Los Angeles	\$1,198,364
CA	California Department of Justice	\$1,643,876
CA	San Diego County	\$376,112
CA	County of Ventura	\$376,102
CA	Sacramento County	\$388,747
CA	County of Santa Clara	\$376,102

Recipients include the following:

CA	City of Glendale, California	\$376,102
CA	Contra Costa County	\$376,101
СА	County of Alameda, California	\$376,101
CA	County of Kern	\$376,101
CA	City and County of San Francisco	\$376,101
CA	City of Oakland – Oakland Police Department	\$376,102
СА	County of Los Angeles	\$1,270,014
CA	County of San Mateo	\$376,102
CO	Jefferson County	\$175,006
CO	City of Colorado Springs	\$250,000
СО	Colorado Department of Public Safety	\$619,635
CO	City of Aurora	\$250,000
CO	City and County of Denver	\$284,190
СТ	Department of Emergency Services and Public	\$820,100
	Protection	. ,
DC	District of Columbia Department of Forensic	\$558,000
	Services	. ,
DE	Delaware Health and Social Services	\$425,436
FL	Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office	\$330,087
FL	Broward County	\$486,174
FL	Florida Department of Law Enforcement	\$2,750,432
FL	St. Lucie County Sheriff's Office	\$272,523
FL	Miami Dade County	\$849,698
FL	Pinellas County	\$294,635
GA	Georgia Bureau of Investigation	\$1,981,423
HI	City and County of Honolulu	\$526,125
IA	Iowa Department of Public Safety	\$661,955
ID	Idaho State Police	\$532,394
IL	DuPage County Office of the Sheriff	\$340,696
IL	Northeastern Illinois Regional Crime Laboratory	\$340,696
IL	Illinois State Police	\$2,384,863
IN	Indiana State Police	\$871,600
IN	Indianapolis-Marion County Forensic Services	\$511,893
111	Agency	ψ511,055
KS	County of Sedgwick	\$212,000
KS	Kansas Bureau of Investigation	\$366,187
KS	Johnson County Kansas	\$227,295
KY	Commonwealth of Kentucky	\$993,018
LA	Acadiana Criminalistics Laboratory	\$200,000
LA	Calcasieu Parrish Sheriff's Office	\$200,000
LA	St. Tammany Parrish Coroner's Office	\$200,000
LA	North Louisiana Criminalistics Laboratory	\$200,000
LA	Commission	\$200,000
LA	Jefferson Parrish Sheriff's Office	\$200,000
LA	Louisiana State Police	\$299,117
MA	City of Boston	\$239,254
MA	Massachusetts State Police	\$989,939
MD	Baltimore, County of	\$227,697
MD	Anne Arundel County, Maryland	\$228,151
MD	Montgomery County	\$213,151
MD	Prince George's County Government	\$216,869
MD	City of Baltimore	\$389,256
MD	Maryland State Police	\$434,484
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	Maine State Police	\$374,956
MI MI	County of Oakland	\$323,616
	State of Michigan	\$2,212,088
MN	Anoka, County of Minnagota Department of Public Sofety	\$106,783
MN	Minnesota Department of Public Safety	\$877,045

MN	Hennepin County, Minnesota	\$216,432
MO	St. Charles County	\$75,000
MO	St. Louis County	\$174,698
MO	Board of Police Commissioners	\$492,930
MO	St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department	\$280,057
MO	Missouri State Highway Patrol	\$483,798
MS	Mississippi Department of Public Safety	\$670,367
MT	Montana Department of Justice	\$487,181
NC	NC Department of Justice	\$1,696,313
NC	Charlotte, City of	\$364,821
ND	North Dakota	\$359,496
NE	State of Nebraska	\$531,186
NH	New Hampshire Department of Public Safety	\$392,216
NJ	County of Union	\$719,295
NJ	New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety	\$560,873
NM	New Mexico Department of Public Safety	\$467,138
NM	City of Albuquerque	\$579,003
NV	Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department	\$604,917
NV	Washoe County Sheriff's Office	\$465,032
NY	County of Suffolk	\$303,336
NY	Onondaga, County of	\$291,361
NY	New York State Police	\$885,000
NY	Nassau County	\$302,826
NY	County of Erie	\$476,851
NY	County of Westchester	\$303,493
NY	Monroe County	\$339,396
NY	City of New York, Office of the Chief Medical	\$1,180,000
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ОН	Cuyahoga County Coroner's Office	\$304,041
OH	City of Mansfield	\$250,000
OH	Ohio Attorney General	\$799,796
OH	Hamilton County	\$259,659
OH	City of Columbus	\$309,036
OH	Lake County	\$256,361
OH	Montgomery County Ohio	\$292,263
OK	Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation	\$763,636
OK	City of Tulsa	\$250,000
OK	City of Oklahoma City	\$250,000
OR	Oregon State Police	\$1,111,028
PA	Allegheny County	\$267,502
PA	City of Philadelphia	\$963,789
PA	Pennsylvania State Police	\$1,378,481
PR	Instituto de Ciencias Forenses	\$579,845
RI	Rhode Island Department of Health	\$380,095
SC	Richland County Government	\$250,000
SC	County of York	\$250,000
SC	Beaufort County Council	\$35,000
SC	South Carolina Law Enforcement Division	\$528,483
SC	County of Greenville	\$250,000
SD	Office of the Attorney General	\$441,665
TN	Metropolitan Government of Nashville And	\$230,869
111	Davidson County	Ψ250,007
TN	Tennessee Bureau of Investigation	\$2,060,017
TX	Harris County	\$844,249
TX	University of North Texas Health Science Center	\$588,602
TX	City of Fort Worth	\$464,386
TX	State of Texas	\$2,931,027
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TX	Tarrant County	\$334,212
TX	Houston Forensic Science Center, Inc.	\$1,728,033
UT	Utah Department of Public Safety	\$820,258
VA	Virginia Department of Forensic Science	\$1,588,369
VT	Vermont Department of Public Safety	\$315,913
WA	Washington State Patrol	\$1,862,128
WI	Wisconsin Department of Justice	\$1,052,792
WV	West Virginia State Police	\$494,564
WY	Wyoming Office of the Attorney General	\$344,145

#### Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grants Program (\$26.5 million)

The program helps improve forensic science and medical examiner/coroner services, including services provided by laboratories operated by states and units of local government. Funds may be used to eliminate a backlog in the analysis of forensic evidence and to train and employ forensic laboratory personnel. The Coverdell Act requires that 15 percent of program funds be awarded competitively and remaining funds awarded to states based on the state population and made to all applicants that apply.

Recipients of the Formula awards include the following:

State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
AL	Alabama Department of Economic And Community	\$264,698
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AK	Alaska Department of Public Safety	\$264,698
AZ	Arizona Criminal Justice Commission	\$392,583
AR	Arkansas State Crime Laboratory	\$264,698
CA	Governor's Office of Emergency Services	\$2,131,122
CO	Colorado Department of Public Safety	\$310,602
СТ	Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection	\$264,698
DC	Office of Victim Services and Justice Grants	\$264,698
DE	Delaware Criminal Justice Council	\$264,698
FL	Florida Department of Law Enforcement	\$1,158,418
GA	Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Counsel	\$572,659
GU	Guam Bureau of Statistics and Plans	\$264,698
HI	Hawaii Department of the Attorney General	\$264,698
ID	Idaho State Police	\$264,698
IL	Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority	\$683,465
IN	Indiana Criminal Justice Institute	\$363,107
IA	Iowa Governor's Office of Drug Control Policy	\$264,698
KS	Executive Office of the State of Kansas	\$264,698
KY	Kentucky Justice and Public Safety Cabinet	\$264,698
LA	Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement	\$264,698
ME	Maine Department of Public Safety	\$264,698
MD	Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention	\$326,078
MA	Massachusetts State Police	\$371,753
MI	Michigan Department of State Police	\$538,649
MN	Minnesota Department of Public Safety	\$304,178
MS	Department of Public Safety	\$264,698
МО	Missouri Department of Public Safety	\$331,027
MT	Montana Board of Crime Control	\$264,698
NE	Nebraska State Patrol	\$264,698
NV	Nevada Department of Public Safety	\$264,698

NH	New Hampshire Department of Justice	\$264,698
NJ	New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety	\$479,068
NM	New Mexico Department of Public Safety	\$264,698
NY	New York State Division of Criminal Justice	\$1,049,243
	Services	
NC	North Carolina Department of Public Safety	\$565,683
ND	North Dakota Office of the Attorney General	\$264,698
ОН	Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services	\$630,461
OK	Oklahoma District Attorney's Council	\$264,698
OR	Oregon State Police	\$264,698
PA	Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and	\$690,485
	Delinquency	
PR	Instituto de Ciencias Forenses	\$264,698
RI	Rhode Island Public Safety Grant Administration	\$264,698
	Office	
SC	South Carolina Department of Public Safety	\$277,700
SD	Office of the Attorney General	\$264,698
TN	State of Tennessee	\$368,337
TX	Texas Office of Governor, Criminal Justice Division	\$1,563,915
UT	Utah Department of Public Safety	\$264,698
VT	Vermont Department of Public Safety	\$264,698
VI	Virgin Islands Department of Justice	\$264,698
VA	Department of Criminal Justice Services	\$460,370
WA	Washington State Patrol	\$410,715
WV	West Virginia Division of Justice and Community	\$264,698
	Services	
WI	Wisconsin Department of Justice	\$314,038
WY	Wyoming Office of the Attorney General	\$264,698

Recipients of the Competitive awards include the following:

State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Arizona	City of Phoenix Police Department	\$74,413
California	County of Ventura	\$134,150
Colorado	City of Colorado Springs	\$65,910
Colorado	City of Aurora	\$247,762
Florida	Broward County Sheriff's Office	\$250,000
Illinois	County of Cook	\$190,500
Kansas	Johnson County Sheriff's Office	\$244,850
Massachusetts	City of Worcester, Massachusetts	\$70,537
Missouri	St. Louis County	\$244,275
Nebraska	Douglas County, Nebraska	\$245,516
Nevada	Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department	\$244,466
North Carolina	Raleigh-Wake City / County Bureau of Identification	\$237,279
North Carolina	Guilford County	\$155,694
Ohio	Montgomery County Ohio	\$100,222
Ohio	Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services	\$139,204
Ohio	Hamilton County	\$247,010
Ohio	County of Cuyahoga; DBA: Coroner's, Medical Examiner Office	\$188,000
Pennsylvania	City of Philadelphia - Police	\$220,000
Pennsylvania	County of Allegheny	\$250,000
Tennessee	County of Rutherford	\$170,676
Washington	Skagit County Coroner	\$250,000

#### Prosecuting Cold Cases using DNA and other Forensic Technologies (\$4.7 million)

The program focuses resources toward the prosecution of violent crime cold cases where DNA from a suspect has been identified thereby decreasing the number of unresolved violent crime cold cases. Advances in forensic technologies are increasing successful analysis of evidence once thought to be unsuitable for testing. In some cases, successful analysis leads to providing probative information for the resolution of cold cases.

State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
California	Contra Costa County District Attorney's Office	\$470,000
California	County of San Diego	\$470,000
Colorado	Denver Police Department	\$470,000
Connecticut	JUDICIAL BRANCH, STATE OF CONNECTICUT	\$470,000
Florida	Palm Beach Sheriff's Office	\$470,000
Florida	State Attorney's Office, 4th Judicial Circuit of Florida	\$470,000
Maryland	Prince George's County MD	\$470,000
Michigan	Charter County of Wayne, Michigan	\$470,000
Oregon	County of Washington,	\$470,000
Tennessee	Tennessee Bureau of Investigation	\$470,000

Recipients include the following:

#### Postconviction Testing of DNA Evidence (\$6.2 million)

In response to wrongful convictions overturned through forensic DNA analysis, the program provides funding to defray costs associated with postconviction DNA testing, such as additional personnel, overtime, testing supplies and services.

Recipients include the following:

State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
California	Cal State LA University Auxiliary Services, Inc.	\$500,000
California	Governor's Office of Emergency Services	\$500,000
Georgia	Fulton County	\$500,000
Idaho	Boise State University	\$500,000
Louisiana	Louisiana State University	\$497,807
Massachusetts	Committee for Public Counsel Services	\$497,229
Michigan	Charter County of Wayne, Michigan	\$500,000
Missouri	Curators, University of Missouri on behalf of UMKC	\$307,861
New Jersey	New Jersey Department of Law And Public Safety	\$500,000
New York	Research Foundation of CUNY on behalf of CUNY School of Law	\$499,981
North Carolina	North Carolina Administrative Office of the Courts	\$390,504
Texas	Dallas County	\$492,895
Washington	Washington State Patrol	\$500,000

Strengthening the Medical Examiner-Coroner System Program (\$1.7 million)

The program is strengthening the medical examiner-coroner system through increasing the number of and quality of board-certified forensic pathologists in addition to helping medical examiners improve the quality of forensic death investigations.

State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
California	Los Angeles County Department of Medical Examiner- Coroner	\$100,000
Connecticut	Connecticut Office of the Chief Medical Examiner	\$125,000
District of Columbia	District of Columbia Office of the Chief Medical Examiner	\$125,000
Florida	Broward County	\$124,973
Michigan	Western Michigan University School of Medicine	\$123,362
Ohio	Montgomery County Ohio	\$125,000
Pennsylvania	County of Allegheny	\$111,153
Tennessee	The University of Tennessee Health Science Center	\$100,000
Utah	Utah Department of Health, Office of the Medical Examiner	\$125,000
Virginia	VA Department of Health, Office of the Chief Medical Examine	\$117,811
Washington	King County	\$125,000
Wisconsin	Milwaukee County	\$100,000

Recipients for Purpose Area 1 (Fellowships) include the following:

Recipients for Purpose Area 2 (Accreditation) include the following:

State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Missouri	County of Greene	\$105,000
Utah	Utah Department of Health	\$100,000
Washington	County of Kittitas	\$99,799

#### National Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (\$43.4 million)

The program promotes the use of multi-disciplinary teams by supporting investigation, prosecution and victim advocacy involved with a comprehensive approach to addressing unsubmitted sexual assault kits. The program also helps law enforcement agencies and crime labs process sexual assault evidence and increase the number of sexual assault kits submitted to crime labs in order to solve more crimes, including cold cases.

Category I: Comprehensive A	Approach to Unsubmitted	Sexual Assault Kits
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State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Alabama	Jefferson County District Attorney's Office	\$2,000,000
California	City of Fresno	\$2,186,109
Florida	City of Fort Lauderdale	\$218,496
Florida	City of Jacksonville	\$1,000,000
Georgia	Criminal Justice Coordinating Council	\$2,500,000
Georgia	Fulton County Board of Commissioners	\$2,000,000
Kentucky	Justice and Public Safety Cabinet	\$1,500,000
Louisiana	Orleans Parish District Attorney	\$1,949,672
Massachusetts	Office of Grants and Research	\$1,500,000
Minnesota	City of Minneapolis Police Department	\$2,000,000

Minnesota	Minnesota Department of Public Safety	\$2,000,000
Mississippi	City of Jackson	\$1,179,593
Missouri	Office of the Attorney General	\$2,000,000
Montana	Department of Justice	\$992,072
Nebraska	City of Omaha	\$966,882
New Mexico	Second Judicial District Attorney	\$2,141,147
Tennessee	City of Memphis	\$2,000,000
Utah	Department of Public Safety	\$1,500,000
Virginia	Office of the Attorney General	\$2,084,762
West Virginia	Justice and Community Services	\$252,860

Category II: SAKI for Small Agencies (fewer than 250 sworn officers)

State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Texas	City of Irving	\$79,902

Category III: Expansion of DNA Databases to Assist with Sexual Assault Investigations and Prosecutions: Collection of Lawfully Owed DNA from Convicted Offenders and Arrestee DNA Collections

State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Minnesota	City of Duluth	\$ 662,659
Tennessee	Bureau of Investigation	\$1,000,000
Washington	State Attorney General	\$ 670,000

#### Category IV: Investigation and Prosecution of Cold Case Sexual Assaults

State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Illinois	City of Chicago	\$1,000,000
Maryland	County of Baltimore	\$911,108
Michigan	Charter County of Wayne	\$999,755
Minnesota	City of Duluth	\$678,502
New Jersey	Department of Law & Public Safety	\$918,058
New Mexico	Second Judicial District Attorney	\$993,979
Nevada	Attorney General's Office	\$261,599
North Carolina	City of Charlotte	\$587,891
North Carolina	City of Durham	\$518,667
North Carolina	City of Fayetteville	\$1,000,000
Ohio	City of Akron	\$150,000
Ohio	Cuyahoga County Prosecutor's Office	\$1,000,000

#### Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence – Inventory, Tracking and Reporting (\$2.2 million)

Funding through the SAFE-ITR program enables agencies to document their unanalyzed sexual assault kits, efficiently process sexual assault evidence and upload DNA profiles to the Combined DNA Index System (CODIS) – steps that are effective in reducing violent crime.

State	Awardee	Amount Award

Alaska	Department of Public Safety	\$998,791
Maryland	County of Baltimore	\$218,180
Minnesota	Minnesota Department of Public Safety	\$982,232

#### **National Institute of Justice (\$26.3 million)**

#### Research and Development in Forensic Science for Criminal Justice Purposes (\$15.4 million)

The program funds basic and applied R&D that leads toward more accurate, reliable, and cost-effective and rapid methods of analyzing physical evidence. The recipients will address the current needs of the forensic science community while adding to the existing body of knowledge. Recipients include the following:

State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Virginia	Noblis, Inc.	\$720,610
Illinois	Cadre Research Labs	\$199,615
Massachusetts	Worcester Polytechnic Institute	\$519,893
Massachusetts	Trustees of Boston University	\$361,656
West Virginia	West Virginia University Research Corporation	\$476,517
West Virginia	West Virginia University Research Corporation	\$466,543
Tennessee	Middle Tennessee State University	\$285,229
Washington	Jensen Hughes, Inc.	\$270,000
Texas	University of North Texas Health Science Center	\$444,723
Virginia	The Rector & Visitors of the University of Virginia	\$436,934
Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State University	\$205,963
Virginia	The Rector & Visitors of the University of Virginia	\$466,886
Pennsylvania	Fredric Rieders Family Renaissance Foundation	\$501,115
Virginia	Virginia Commonwealth University	\$382,296
Washington	University of Washington	\$711,906
California	The Regents of the University of California, Santa	
	Cruz	\$747,384
Pennsylvania	Fredric Rieders Family Renaissance Foundation	\$555,401
Michigan	Michigan State University	\$228,918
Pennsylvania	Fredric Rieders Family Renaissance Foundation	\$478,783
Florida	The Florida International University Board of Trustees	\$434,273
Illinois	Board of Trustees of Western Illinois University	\$160,181
South Carolina	Clemson University	\$457,536
New York	The Research Foundation for the SUNY	\$731,306
Utah	University of Utah	\$557,607
Arizona	Mayo Clinic Arizona	\$462,240
Michigan	Michigan State University	\$530,242
Texas	Texas State University	\$683,542
Iowa	Des Moines University	\$357,871
Indiana	Purdue University	\$400,973
Kentucky	Eastern Kentucky University	\$241,305
Virginia	Stoney Forensic, Inc.	\$871,366
Virginia	Noblis, Inc.	\$1,063,335

# Research and Evaluation for the Testing and Interpretation of Physical Evidence in Publicly Funded Forensic Laboratories (\$1.0 million)

The program funds projects that will identify and inform the forensic community of best practices through evaluating existing laboratory protocols and practices. Grantees will pursue projects that have a direct and immediate impact on laboratory efficiency and help scientists make laboratory policy decisions.

State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
North Carolina	Research Triangle Institute	\$348,052
Texas	University of North Texas Health Science Center	\$198,362
New York	Syracuse University	\$153,333
Virginia	Virginia Department of Forensic Science	\$290,353

Recipients include the following:

#### Graduate Research Fellowship Program (\$1.9 million)

Under its Graduate Research Fellowship solicitation, NIJ is awarding 16 new fellows whose dissertation research is relevant to advancing forensic science, for a total of \$1.9 million. This program supports the development of new researchers engaged in bringing science to problems of crime and justice.

Recipients include the following:

State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
North Carolina	North Carolina State University	\$150,000
Texas	Texas State University	\$150,000
Texas	Texas State University	\$150,000
Texas	Texas State University	\$150,000
Washington	University of Washington	\$107,205
California	University of California, Santa Cruz	\$100,000
Virginia	The Rector & Visitors of the University of Virginia	\$147,766
Virginia	Virginia Commonwealth University	\$49,994
New Jersey	Rutgers University, Camden	\$142,986
North Carolina	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	\$150,000
Nevada	University of Nevada, Reno	\$100,000
Florida	Florida International University	\$100,000

Nevada	University of Nevada, Reno	\$100,000
New York	The Research Foundation for the State University of New York	\$138,704
Arizona	Arizona State University	\$150,000
Texas	University of North Texas Health Science Center	\$81,058

#### National Missing and Unidentified Persons System (NamUS) (\$4.3 million)

The program provides funding and support for the management of the National Missing and Unidentified Persons System (NamUs), a centralized repository for missing persons and unidentified persons' information for law enforcement, medical examiners, coroners and the public. In addition, the grantee provides stakeholders with a number of forensic services, such as forensic odontology, fingerprint examination, mitochondrial and nuclear DNA analyses, and connects them with artists who can perform facial reconstructions of unidentified decedents. More information is available here: <a href="https://go.usa.gov/xVM9j">https://go.usa.gov/xVM9j</a>

Recipients include the following:

State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Texas	University of North Texas Health Science Center	\$4,288,461

#### Forensic Technology Center of Excellence (\$1.6 million)

The Forensic Technology Center of Excellence serves as NIJ's forensic science research and development program. Through a number of activities, the center implements forensic technology and best practices, evaluates research and technology, and builds relationships with the forensics community.

Recipients include the following:

Awardee	Amount Awarded
Research Triangle Institute	\$1,649,993

#### National Center on Forensics (\$2 million)

The National Center on Forensics will provide medico-legal learning opportunities for medical students training as deputy medical examiners/coroners in rural areas and will offer forensic science and legal training to district attorneys, judges and law enforcement officials.

Recipients include the following:

Awardee	Amount Awarded
George Mason University	\$2,000,000

More information about the programs and awards announced today is available here: <u>OJP</u> <u>Awards Data webpage</u>.

The Office of Justice Programs, directed by Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General Katharine T. Sullivan, provides federal leadership, grants, training and technical assistance, and other resources to improve the nation's capacity to prevent and reduce crime, assist victims and enhance the rule of law by strengthening the criminal and juvenile justice systems. More information about OJP and its components can be found at www.ojp.gov.

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