



BYRNE JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT

FY2017 GRANT SOLICITATION

\$257.4 MILLION

APPLY BY AUGUST 25, 2017 (STATE)
SEPTEMBER 5, 2017 (LOCAL)

GRANT HIGHLIGHTS

The Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) program provides states and local units of government with critical funding necessary to support a range of programs including law enforcement and technology improvement programs:

- 40% of the designated funding is allocated directly to local units of government by Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) and is immediately available to jurisdictions already identified.
- 60% of the funding is allocated to the states, District of Columbia, and U.S. Territories as a direct award from BJA. Of this percentage, an additional amount (Variable Pass Through) is required to be distributed by the states to local units of government within their state through a sub-grant award process.
- No match is required by BJA for this grant program. However, states typically have a match requirement.

WHO CAN APPLY

- There are separate solicitations for states and local units of government. Eligible jurisdictions are determined by BJA based on a formula that includes violent crime data and population.
- State allocations are posted here: www.bja.gov/Funding/17JAGStateAllocations.pdf
- For the local solicitation, applicants are limited to units of local government appearing on the [FY 2017 JAG Allocations List](#). Up to 1101 local awards will be made.

AWARD CATEGORIES AND PRIORITIES

There are a total of seven JAG grant purpose areas. The two grant purpose areas that are most appropriate for local agencies looking to utilize Motorola Solutions are **Law Enforcement** and **Technology Improvement Programs**.

Areas of emphasis include border security, transitioning law enforcement agencies to the National Incident-Based Reporting System, officer safety and wellness, reducing gun violence, and supporting partnerships between prosecutors and police.

- Jurisdictions that receive a direct award from BJA may still be eligible to receive funding from the state's 60% allocation through that state's sub-grant process.
- **Award/Project time period:**
 - State awards are four years in length with an award period from October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2020.
 - Local awards of at least \$25,000 or more are four years in length with an award period of October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2020.
 - Local awards that are less than \$25,000 are two years in length with an award period of October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2018.

- **Disparate Jurisdictions** — In some instances, jurisdictions will be identified as “disparate” and must work together with one jurisdiction serving as their fiscal agent. They may join their efforts and spend all the funds collectively or spend funds on separate initiatives. Each entity must sign an MOU prior to draw down of any grant funds.
- **Every eligible jurisdiction must submit an application in order to receive funding.**

INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS GUIDANCE

Grantees (including sub-grantees) that are using FY 2017 JAG Program funds to support emergency communications activities must ensure:

- Compliance with the FY 2017 SAFECOM Guidance for Emergency Communication Grants.
- Projects support the Statewide Communication Interoperability Plan (SCIP) and are fully coordinated with the full-time Statewide Interoperability Coordinator (SWIC).

BODY-WORN CAMERAS AND SMART POLICING

BJA has made equipping officers with body-worn cameras (BWCs) a priority funding area. JAG funds may be used to purchase BWCs and BJA encourages SAAs to use either their Variable Pass-Through (VPT) or their “less than \$10,000” funding that is added into the state award to set aside funds to assist small departments implement BWC programs.

Grantees who wish to use JAG funds to purchase BWC equipment must certify that they or the law enforcement agency receiving the BWC funding have policies and procedures in place related to equipment usage, data storage, privacy, victims, access, disclosure, training, etc. A copy of the required BWC certification can be found at www.bja.gov/Funding/BodyWornCameraCert.pdf

JAG funding may also be used for other Smart Policing solutions and BJA encourages use of JAG funds to support “smart on crime” strategies.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

All registrations and applications must be in by August 25, 2017 (State) or September 5, 2017 (Local), 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time (EST). If you must wait for Grant Management System (GMS) approval before submitting an application, you are urged to apply at least 72 hours before the deadline. You must make your grant application available for review by the governing body (or to the organization designated by the governing body) not fewer than 30 days before you submit your application to BJA.

Remember to submit your application by the deadline. Even if the governing body review and public notification period have not been met at the time of the grant submission, you are still eligible to receive funding. In these cases, DOJ will place a withholding special condition on the grant, which allows the grantee to complete the public notification portion and governing body review prior to being eligible to receive funding.

MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS OFFERS A PROVEN BASIS FOR YOUR APPLICATION

We offer a wide range of solutions to promote safety and security, and increase operational efficiency to help state, local and tribal agencies create safer cities and thriving communities, including:

- **Interoperable Two-Way Radios and Networks** — Enable or augment communications with Project 25-compliant, mission-critical-grade infrastructure to provide expanded coverage, reliability, capacity and security for emergency responders. Mobile and portable radios are designed specifically for the needs of first responders and provide interoperability on Project 25 networks, legacy Smartnet/Smartzone or conventional networks, and across multiple frequency bands for unparalleled interoperability through a single device. Connectivity between disparate or neighboring stand-alone communications networks can be achieved via IP-based gateways, consolidated P25 networks or hosted cloud solutions.
- **Body-Worn Camera Solutions** — Motorola Solutions’ Digital Evidence Management Solution is a unified, simplified, smart approach that transforms the way your agency captures, stores and manages multi-media content. The solution includes the Si Series Video Speaker Microphone that combines voice communications, body-worn video, still images, voice recording and emergency alerting into one compact, easy-to-use device — reducing hardware complexity for officers and reduce costs for agencies. Integrated with our secure, cloud-based CommandCentral Vault digital evidence management software, it delivers a powerful end-to-end solution.

- **Intelligence Led Public Safety (ILPS) Solutions** — Exceed new expectations for safety and efficiency by transforming big data into actionable intelligence with CommandCentral. Analyze more data, faster, to help you uncover new insights. Then deliver this information, in the right context to improve situational awareness across your operation.
 - **CommandCentral Analytics:** In an increasingly scrutinized world, the more agency initiatives are based on facts and results can be quantified, the better. Unfortunately, the crime analysis required for making sense of your data is oftentimes a manual, time-consuming process. Easily turn strategic planning into measured tactical action by automating the most advanced crime data analysis.
 - **CommandCentral Aware:** As you invest in technologies to more effectively aid those in the field, various disconnected systems overloading your agency with information may be making it difficult to provide true impact. Support the field with more meaningful, real-time intelligence by extracting deeper insights from integrated voice, video and data.
 - **CommandCentral Inform:** A single piece of information can often make the difference in making the most intelligence-led decisions. Yet, ensuring everyone has access to the information and can quickly understand its relevance can be difficult. Keep everyone informed and in sync with a map-based common operating picture available anywhere they are, on any device.

WHAT YOU NEED TO APPLY

- **Project Abstract** — brief description of the project and deliverables not to exceed one-half page
- **Program narrative** — describe the types of programs to be funded, brief analysis of the need for the program and anticipated coordination efforts
- **Budget and budget narrative** — briefly outline how funds will be used to support and implement the program
- **Review narrative** — dates of posting for public comment
- **Applicants disclosure of pending application** — Applicants are to disclose whether they have pending applications for federally funded grants or subgrants that include requests for funding to support the same project being proposed under this solicitation and will cover the identical cost items.
- **Certifications** — formal approval documents from the government entity. For FY2017, applicants must also certify compliance with “sanctuary policies” relating to immigration enforcement in accordance with 8 U.S.C. section 1373.

WHERE TO APPLY / ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- [The Byrne JAG State Solicitation](#)
- [The Byrne JAG Local Solicitation](#)
- [A complete listing of SAAs](#)
- [Variable Pass-Through Percentages](#)
- [FY17 SAFECOM Grant Guidance](#)
- [BJA BWC Toolkit](#)

Note: The initial application can be a placeholder and requires very limited information to be submitted — broad strategies, not specific details (e.g., information-sharing software to enhance a department’s records management system). Once the grant application is accepted by BJA, the applicant can provide specific details later.

WE CAN HELP YOU

The grant application process can be challenging to navigate. To help you, Motorola Solutions has partnered with the grant experts at PoliceGrantsHelp.com. Their team of funding experts can help your agency identify which areas you are eligible for, answer questions and offer insights on how to write an effective application.

Additional information and resources can be found on our website: www.motorolasolutions.com/govgrants.