

FY 2009 Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program Funding Results

Scope of Program:

The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) is pleased to announce the release of funding results for the FY2009 Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program solicitations. The purpose of this program is to increase public safety through innovative cross-system collaboration for individuals with mental illness or co-occurring mental health and substance abuse disorders who come into contact with the criminal justice system. In order to accomplish this goal, BJA released three solicitations in FY2009:

Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program (Site-Based Grants)

BJA sought joint justice and mental health applications to plan, implement, or expand a justice and mental health collaboration program. The program encourages early intervention for these system-involved individuals; provides new and existing mental health courts with various treatment options; maximizes diversion opportunities for nonviolent system-involved individuals with MI/COD; promotes training for justice and treatment professionals; and facilitates communication, collaboration, and the delivery of support services among justice professionals, treatment and related service providers, and governmental partners. This solicitation for funding was released on January 12, 2009 and closed on March 12, 2009. Applicants were limited to states, units of local government, federally recognized Indian tribes, and tribal organizations.

Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Training and Technical Assistance Program

BJA sought a training and technical assistance (TTA) provider with extensive expertise in: 1) providing proactive, comprehensive, user-friendly TTA services; 2) developing uniform protocols for the assessment and delivery of TTA, as well as tracking, evaluation, and follow-up; 3) using TTA strategies that include developing tools and resources for grantees, such as distance learning, peer-to-peer consultations, onsite technical assistance, and ongoing technical assistance by phone and e-mail; and 4) planning and hosting grantee meetings. This solicitation for funding was released on March 25, 2009 and closed on April 23, 2009. Applicants were limited to for-profit (commercial) organizations, nonprofit organizations, faith-based and community organizations, and institutions of higher learning.

Justice and Mental Health Collaboration State-Based Capacity Building Program

The goal of this program is to provide comprehensive resources and services to eligible but unfunded JMHCP applicants in FY 2009. BJA sought a service provider with extensive national-level expertise to: 1) provide proactive, comprehensive, user-friendly services; 2) establish a national resource center to serve as the primary source of information on justice and mental health collaboration programs; and 3) implement strategies that include developing tools and resources such as distance learning, peer-to-peer consultations, and onsite, phone, and e-mail assistance to customers. This solicitation for funding was released on January 21, 2009 and closed on March 26, 2009. Applicants were limited to for-profit (commercial) organizations, nonprofit organizations, faith-based and community organizations, and institutions of higher learning.

Review Process:

BJA is committed to ensuring a fair and consistent process for awarding grants. BJA reviews applications to make sure that the information presented is reasonable, understandable, measurable, and achievable, as well as consistent with program and legislative requirements as stated in the solicitation. Applications are initially screened to determine whether the applicants meet all eligibility requirements. Only applications submitted by eligible applicants that meet all other requirements (such as timeliness, proper format, and responsiveness to the scope of the solicitation) will be evaluated, scored, and rated by a peer review panel. A peer reviewer is an expert in the field of the subject matter of a given solicitation. Peer reviewers' ratings and any resulting recommendations are advisory only. In addition to peer review ratings,

considerations may include, but are not limited to, underserved populations, geographic and topical diversity, strategic priorities, past performance, fiscal integrity and financial capability of applicants, and available funding. Absent explicit statutory authorization or written delegation of authority to the contrary, all final grant award decisions will be made by the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Justice Programs.

Funding Sought and Awarded:

Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program (Site-Based Grants)

BJA received 246 applications for the site-based solicitation, seeking a total of \$43,401,754 in funding. BJA made 43 site-based awards for a total of \$7,874,824 in funding. Based upon the level of funding available, BJA made awards to approximately 17 percent of the applications.

Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Training and Technical Assistance Program

BJA received 10 applications for the training and technical assistance solicitation. BJA made one award for a total of \$299,993 to the Council of State Governments Justice Center.

Justice and Mental Health Collaboration State-Based Capacity Building Program

BJA received seven applications for the training and technical assistance solicitation. BJA made one award for a total of \$524,657 to the Council of State Governments Justice Center.

Feedback and Technical Assistance for Unfunded Applicants:

Applicants who did not get funding under the solicitation will receive written notification. The email will include written comments from the peer reviewers about the applicant's submission, if the applicant was eligible and submitted a responsive application. These comments will be sent to the Authorized Representative on the application. If your organization does not receive the comments, contact BJA at AskBJA@usdoj.gov.

Solicitation	Grantee	State	Award Amount
Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program (Category I: Planning)	Bluebonnet Trails Community MHMR Center	TX	\$49,928.00
	Gila River Indian Community	AZ	\$49,977.00
	Linn County Department of Health Services	OR	\$50,000.00
	Macon County	IL	\$50,000.00
	51st District Court	MI	\$50,000.00
	County of Beaver	PA	\$50,000.00
	Logan County Probation	IL	\$50,000.00
	Montgomery County	VA	\$50,000.00
	PACT 4 Families Collaborative	MN	\$50,000.00
	Pickens County	GA	\$50,000.00
Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program (Category II: Planning & Implementation)	City of Hattiesburg	MS	\$228,300.00
	City of Indianapolis	IN	\$250,000.00
	Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes	MT	\$250,000.00
	Cook County Sheriff's Office	IL	\$250,000.00
	Kanawha County Commission	WV	\$250,000.00
	Milwaukee County Department of Health and Human Services	WI	\$250,000.00
	Oklahoma Department of Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services	OK	\$250,000.00
	St. Louis County	MO	\$198,158.00
	Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities	TN	\$196,750.00
	Vermont Judiciary Courts	VT	\$250,000.00
	Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation	AL	\$250,000.00
	Citrus County Board of County Commissioners	FL	\$235,647.00
	Dauphin County	PA	\$250,000.00
	Idaho Supreme Court	ID	\$250,000.00
	Jasper County	MO	\$250,000.00

	Kentucky Administrative Office of the Courts	KY	\$249,932.00
	New York City Mayor's Office of the Criminal Justice Coordinator	NY	\$249,739.00
	Oregon Criminal Justice Commission	OR	\$250,000.00
	Palm Beach County	FL	\$249,942.00
	Racine County	WI	\$227,652.00
	Skagit County	WA	\$249,843.00
Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program (Category III: Expansion)	Allen County Juvenile Court	OH	\$138,514.00
	Colorado Judicial Department	CO	\$199,755.00
	Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Mental Health	MA	\$200,000.00
	County of Hillsborough	NH	\$200,000.00
	Hamilton County Juvenile Court	OH	\$200,000.00
	Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department	CA	\$200,000.00
	Marin County	CA	\$200,000.00
	Metropolitan Government of Nashville	TN	\$199,882.00
	Washtenaw County Community Support and Treatment Services	MI	\$200,000.00
	Charleston County	SC	\$150,992.00
	Chatham County	GA	\$199,813.00
	Pima County Juvenile Court Center	AZ	\$200,000.00
Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Training and Technical Assistance Program	The Council of State Governments	KY	\$299,993.00
Justice and Mental Health Collaboration State-Based Capacity Building Program	The Council of State Governments	KY	\$524,657.00
Awards: 45	Total Funding:		\$8,699,474.00