

ICJIA REQUESTS PUBLIC INPUT FOR PROMOTING SUCCESSFUL AND EFFECTIVE JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAMMING

The Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA), the state administering agency for the federal Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG), is seeking public input on its federal fiscal year 2016 JAG application.

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program allows state and local governments to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime and to improve the criminal justice system. JAG funds have supported government programs that enabled the enforcement of Illinois drug laws, worked to decrease the likelihood of violent crime, and improved the criminal justice system and its outcomes.

JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT PURPOSE AREAS AND PRIORITIES

JAG funds can be used for state and local initiatives, technical assistance, training, personnel, equipment, supplies, contractual support, and information systems for criminal justice in any of the following purpose areas:

- Law enforcement programs.
- Prosecution and court programs.
- Prevention and education programs.
- Corrections and community corrections programs.
- Drug treatment programs.
- Planning, evaluation, and technology improvement programs.
- Crime victim and witness programs (other than compensation).

In its application for these funds, ICJIA will submit a program narrative which includes a three year Strategic Plan that will be submitted to the Authority Board for approval at its September 2016, meeting. If approved, this Strategic Plan will guide the use of JAG funds through 2018 to addresses the goals in these program areas:

- Law Enforcement
- Prosecution, Court Programs, and Indigent Defense
- Prevention and Education
- Corrections and Community Corrections
- Drug Enforcement and Treatment Programs
- Crime Victim and Witness programs (other than compensation)
- Planning, Evaluation, and Technology Improvement

REQUEST FOR INPUT

You are invited to comment on these priorities. All input will be considered. This is your opportunity to inform ICJIA of emerging criminal justice issues, crime problems, and possible interventions, and to help guide ICJIA's administration of JAG funding.

Submit comments by e-mail, fax, or U.S. mail. Submission of comments does not constitute an application for grant funding. **All comments must be received by June 29, 2016.**

Public comments may be e-mailed to Gregory.Stevens@Illinois.gov

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