

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

The Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA), state administering agency for the federal Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG), is seeking public input on its federal fiscal year 2014 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 outlines the priorities and subsidiary priorities developed through planning sessions in July and August of 2013 as a multi-year strategic plan for the administration of the Justice Assistance Grant. The plan produced the following priorities:

- Prevention and Intervention
- Recidivism Reduction
- Law Enforcement
- Courts, Prosecution, Defense and Community Corrections
- State Corrections
- Justice Information Sharing
- Justice Research and Evaluation

For each of the priorities subsidiary priorities were also developed and incorporated into the plan. For additional information regarding the contents of the full plan including the subsidiary priorities please visit:

http://www.icjia.state.il.us/public/index.cfm?metaSection=Grants&metaPage=JAG_PLANNING_PRIORITIES

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 May 31, 2014.**

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

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