

## **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 2021 JAG application.

JAG allows state and local governments to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime and improve the criminal justice system. JAG funds have supported government programs to enforce Illinois drug laws, decrease the likelihood of violent crime, and improve 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 purpose areas. In its application for these funds, ICJIA will submit a program narrative that includes a five-year strategic plan to be approved by the Authority Board. The strategic plan will guide the use of JAG funds to address these priorities:

- 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)
- Mental health programs and related enforcement and corrections programs

### **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, or U.S. mail. Submission of comments does not constitute an application for grant funding. **All comments must be received by July 22, 2021.**

Public comments may be e-mailed to [Luisa.Salazar@Illinois.gov](mailto:Luisa.Salazar@Illinois.gov)

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