

## **Eligibility and Application Information**

## **Updated June 2024**

- Applicants should align their submitted project requests with active Byrne-JAG purpose areas. Purpose Areas 2022-25
- Applicants may include Connecticut Judicial and Executive Branch state agencies, non-profit organizations, coalitions, intermunicipal groups and taskforces, federally recognized Tribal Nations, and private entities.
- Localities with populations over 100,000 may independently apply for state-level JAG funding, provided they demonstrate that their project addresses a state-wide issue. Localities with populations under 100,000 that receive or eligible for local-level JAG funding and are seeking additional funding for projects aligned with OPM CJPPD's JAG strategic plan should partner with state agencies to facilitate the funding.
- Nonprofits seeking to pursue Byrne JAG funds must provide evidence/history of
  project portfolio exceeding \$250,000 per year, and must be willing to allow OPM CJPPD
  to review their financial systems to ensure that the applying nonprofit would be able to
  pass strict federal and state financial reviews and audits. Additionally, nonprofit entities
  that do not meet the stated guidelines can seek to partner with Justice system-involved
  entities who qualify for Byrne-JAG to have project/program funds passed through.
- All applications for funding are reviewed internally by a selection committee established by OPM CJPPD, with final approval/denial provided by the OPM Secretary and/or the OPM CJPPD Undersecretary.

## **Application Update**

Starting June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024, the application process for Byrne JAG funding will resume accepting applications on a rolling basis.

## **Funding Decision and Reapplication**

- CJPPD staff will review the submitted applications on the following criteria:
  - o Contains allowable expenditure per US DOJ guidelines.
  - o Consistent with the applicable Byrne JAG strategic plan, particularly the program areas.
  - o Includes a data-driven, evidence-based, or both approach that will be tracked during implementation.
  - Has an application budget and narrative structure that meets both state and federal guidelines.
- If an application meets all criteria above, the grant award process will commence. If an application does not meet the criteria, it will be returned to the applicant for revision and can be resubmitted.
- Applicants are permitted to apply for multiple awards within or across different purpose areas. However, each application should not exceed \$200,000.00 in requested funding.