

The following is a CJIS GROUP summary of the titled Grant Program.

For complete information, refer to the official grant program announcement.

Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Program (BCJI)

Fiscal Year	Funding Source	Application Deadline	Budget/Appropriation
2013	DOJ	03/04/2013	\$20,000,000.00
Program Overview			
<p>The Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation (BCJI) Program is a part of the Obama Administration’s larger Neighborhood Revitalization Initiative (NRI) that helps local and tribal communities develop place-based, community-oriented strategies with coordinated federal support to change neighborhoods of distress into neighborhoods of opportunity.</p> <p>FY 2013 Purpose Areas:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify a neighborhood with a concentration of crime hot spots which have for a period of time composed a significant proportion of crime or types of crime. 2. Identify and build upon existing planning efforts, if any, to revitalize the neighborhood or address issues that relate to the crime issues identified. 3. Enhance a community-based team with the presence of criminal justice, social service, and neighborhood revitalization partners to implement the project. 4. Offer ongoing community engagement and leadership building support and ensure the community is engaged in the process. 5. Collaborate with local law enforcement and a research partner to conduct an analysis of crime drivers and an assessment of needs and available resources. 6. Develop a strategy that offers a continuum of approaches to address the drivers of crime, including potentially, enforcement, prevention, intervention, and revitalization strategies. 7. Establish effective partnerships both to provide solutions along the continuum and commit resources to sustain what works. 8. Implement a comprehensive and coordinated strategy with support from the BCJI TTA provider. 9. Assess program implementation in collaboration with research partners, and plan for sustainment of effective strategies with private and public state, local, and tribal funding. 			
Eligibility			
<p>Eligible entities include states, unit of local governments, non-profit organizations (including tribal non-profit organizations), public and private institutions of higher education, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments as determined by the Secretary of the Interior.</p>			
Applications			
<p>BCJI resources are targeted specifically at persistently distressed neighborhoods, and requires a consortium of partners (hereinafter referred to as “cross-sector partnership”) to work together to design a strategy addressing a targeted crime problem. This cross-sector partnership must designate one agency or organization as the fiscal agent, who will serve as the BCJI applicant and submit the application on behalf of the cross-sector partnership.</p> <p>Applicants should demonstrate in their budget narratives how they will maximize cost effectiveness of grant expenditures. Budget narratives should generally describe cost effectiveness in relation to potential alternatives and the goals of the project. For example, a budget narrative should detail why planned in-person meetings are necessary, or how technology and collaboration with outside organizations could be used to reduce costs, without compromising quality.</p> <p>Registration: Applicants must register with Grants.gov prior to submitting an application. OJP encourages applicants to register several weeks before the application submission deadline. The deadline to apply for funding under this announcement is 11:59 p.m. eastern time on March 4, 2013. In addition, OJP urges applicants to submit applications well in advance of the application due date. The deadline for submission is 11:59 p.m. eastern time on March 4, 2013.</p> <p>Application Submission: Jurisdictions are strongly encouraged to seek the support of their local U.S. Attorney and local policymakers.</p>			
Documents		Links	
 BCJI Grant Announcement 2013.pdf		Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Program (BCJI) Neighborhood Revitalization Initiative (NRI) Grants.gov	

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