

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

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

## National Network of Fusion Centers Capability and Capacity Enhancement

Fiscal Year	Funding Source	Application Deadline	Budget/Appropriation
2013	DHS/DOJ	07/01/2013	\$1,340,000.00
<b>Program Overview</b>			
<p>BJA, in partnership with DHS, seeks to enhance the capability and capacity of the National Network of Fusion Centers. State and major urban area fusion centers (fusion centers) serve as focal points within the state and local environment for the receipt, analysis, gathering, and sharing of threat-related information between the federal government and state, local, tribal, territorial, and private sector partners.</p> <p>Located in states and major urban areas throughout the country, fusion centers are uniquely situated to empower front-line law enforcement, public safety, fire service, emergency response, public health, critical infrastructure protection, and private sector security personnel to understand local implications of national intelligence, thus enabling local officials to better protect their communities. Fusion centers provide interdisciplinary expertise and situational awareness to inform decision-making at all levels of government. They conduct analysis and facilitate information sharing while assisting law enforcement and homeland security partners in preventing, protecting against, and responding to crime and terrorism.</p> <p>Fusion centers are owned and operated by state and local entities with support from federal partners in the form of deployed personnel, training, technical assistance, exercise support, security clearances, connectivity to federal systems, technology, and grant funding.</p> <p><b>Award Categories:</b></p> <p><b>CATEGORY 1: Exercise and Evaluation Support.</b> BJA anticipates that it will make one award under this category of up to \$300,000 for an 18-month project period.</p> <p><b>CATEGORY 2: Coordination, Workshops, and Technical Assistance.</b> BJA anticipates that it will make one award under this category of up to \$1,040,000 for an 18-month project period.</p>			
<b>Eligibility</b>			
<p>Eligible applicants are national, regional, state, or local public and private entities, including for-profit (commercial) and nonprofit organizations (including tribal nonprofit or for-profit organizations), faith-based and community organizations, institutions of higher education (including tribal institutions of higher education), federally recognized Indian tribal governments as determined by the Secretary of the Interior, and units of local government that support initiatives to improve the functioning of the criminal justice system. For-profit organizations must agree to forgo any profit or management fee.</p>			
<b>Applications</b>			
<p>Applicants must register with Grants.gov in order to submit an application. OJP encourages applicants to register several weeks before the application submission deadline. In addition, OJP urges applicants to submit applications 72 hours prior to the application due date.</p> <p>The deadline to apply for funding under this announcement is 11:59 p.m. eastern time on <b>July 1, 2013</b>.</p>			
<b>Documents</b>		<b>Links</b>	
<p> National Network of Fusion Centers Capability and Capacity Enhancement Grant Announcement 2013.pdf</p>		<p>Bureau of Justice Assistance Grants.gov</p>	
<b>Grant Awards</b>			
<p>National Network of Fusion Centers Capability and Capacity Enhancement: Coordination, Workshops, and Technical Assistance - FY2013</p>			

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