



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

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

DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program

Fiscal Year	Funding Source	Application Deadline	Budget/Appropriation
2015	DOJ	05/18/2015	\$68,000,000.00
Program Overview			
<p>The goal of NIJ's FY 2015 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program is to assist eligible States and units of local government to process, record, screen, and analyze forensic DNA and/or DNA database samples, and to increase the capacity of public forensic DNA and DNA database laboratories to process more DNA samples, thereby helping to reduce the number of forensic DNA and DNA database samples awaiting analysis. Under this program, in general, eligible applicants are given the opportunity, based on their individual needs, to determine what portion of their anticipated funding should be used for capacity building purposes and what portion should be used for analysis of forensic DNA and/or DNA database samples.</p>			
Eligibility			
<p>Eligible applicants are States¹ and units of local government with existing crime laboratories that conduct forensic DNA and/or DNA database sample analysis and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Participate in external audits, not less than once every two years, that demonstrate compliance with the requirements of the Quality Assurance Standards established by the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.Are accredited by a nonprofit professional organization actively involved in forensic science that is nationally recognized within the forensic science community.Participate in the National DNA Index System (NDIS), or have an agreement with an NDIS participating laboratory to upload their data.			
Match Requirement			
<p>This solicitation does not require a match. However, if a successful application proposes a voluntary match amount, and OJP approves the budget, the total match amount incorporated into the approved budget becomes mandatory and subject to audit.</p>			
Applications			
<p>Applicants must register in the OJP Grants Management System (GMS) prior to submitting an application for this funding opportunity. Registration is required for all applicants, even those previously registered in GMS. All registrations and applications are due by 11:59 p.m. eastern time on May 18, 2015.</p>			
Documents		Links	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2015 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program Solicitation.pdf DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program - FY2015 Awards.pdf		<ul style="list-style-type: none">DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program 2015 SolicitationOJP Grants Management System (GMS)	

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