



Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) (an Office of Justice Programs component)

BJA Mission:

To provide leadership and services in grant administration and criminal justice policy development to support local, state and tribal justice strategies to achieve safer communities.

BJA supports programs and initiatives in the areas of law enforcement and violent crime reduction, officer safety and wellness, justice information sharing, managing offenders, combating drug crime and abuse, adjudication, advancing tribal justice, and more.

BJA also provides national leadership through training and technical assistance to further the administration of justice and to help jurisdictions successfully achieve local objectives.

BJA funding opportunities available at: <https://www.bja.gov/funding.aspx>

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BJA Programming to Address Human Trafficking Crimes

- Since 2004, BJA and the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) have funded a multidisciplinary, anti-human trafficking task force model, the Enhanced Collaborative Model (ECM) Task Force to Combat Human Trafficking. During this timeframe:
 - BJA has awarded over \$32 million to 35 task forces at various stages of development.
 - BJA has funded eligible law enforcement entities/task forces in 24 states: *Nebraska, Michigan, Utah, Pennsylvania, North Dakota, Arizona, Wisconsin, Louisiana, California, Missouri, Washington, Illinois, New York, Florida, New Hampshire, Texas, Kentucky, Virginia, Nevada, Maryland, Colorado, Hawaii, Vermont, New Mexico.*
 - These resources assist jurisdictions to: identify victims, investigate, refer, and prosecute all forms of human trafficking, use a victim-centered, collaborative approach, and provide services to victims. BJA resources support task force coordination, training, outreach, and personnel.
- BJA funds a national training and technical assistance (TTA) partner, the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) to provide a range of services to and training for both grant funded and non-grant funded task forces. More information at: <https://www.theiacp.org/projects/anti-human-trafficking-training-and-technical-assistance>

ECM Model: Key Grant Partners and Activities

- FY 2019: Two grant categories – task force capacity building AND advancing task for operational effectiveness.
- Three year grants, \$800,000 - \$900,000 per award.
- Multiple key partners: local, state, tribal, federal law enforcement and prosecution, victim service providers, other social service providers, survivors, community partners, labor, health care/medical, education, faith-based and more.
- Grant deliverables and activities:
 - **Protocols** to guide overall task force operations
 - Process or **strategy for prosecution case reviews**
 - **Annual reports** that describe ongoing assessment efforts and outcomes.
 - **Training plan**
 - **Public awareness** materials
 - **Plan for conducting victim-centered investigations** for both sex and labor trafficking
 - **Task force sustainability plan**
 - Strategy for **increasing labor trafficking cases** at state and federal level (category 2)
 - **Peer to peer learning tools or resources** to share with other law enforcement entities and communities (category 2)