

Nebraska Crime Commission Justice & Youth Programs Division

Request for Application

SFY 2026 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance (JAG) Technology Grant

AWARD PERIOD

November 1, 2025– June 30, 2026

AWARD AMOUNT

Approximately \$140,000

DEADLINE

October 14, 2025, by 5:00 p.m. (CT)

CONTACT INFORMATION

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INTRODUCTION

This solicitation is for applicants who wish to apply for competitive funds under the Nebraska Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Formula Grant Program (Statutory Authority § 10151-10726). The federal JAG Program is administered by the Office of Justice Programs (OJP), Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA). For more information on the JAG program, please refer to the [JAG Fact Sheet](#).

The Nebraska Crime Commission (NCC) is the State Administering Agency for JAG. The Justice and Youth Programs Division administers the grant funds under this program. Information about NCC and its various grants and other resources can be found at <https://ncc.nebraska.gov/>.

Important Dates:

Application Due Date: October 14, 2025

Project Start Date: November 1, 2025

Project End Date: June 30, 2026

FUNDS AVAILABLE

\$140,000 State (or Local). There is no match required under this program.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Eligible applicants include units of state and local government (i.e., city, county, town), Indian tribal government which has its own law enforcement, and state operated criminal justice programs.

An entity may apply, but will not be eligible for a grant until the entity has been prequalified through a series of threshold requirements including:

1. Unique Entity ID: A Unique Entity ID (UEI) issued through the System for Award Management (SAM) will be required instead of a DUNS number to receive funding. The UEI is entered in the Project Information section of the grant application. For more information and/or to obtain a UEI, please visit the following website: [Sam.gov](https://sam.gov).
2. System for Award Management (SAM) Registration: To enable NCC to report subawards in a timely manner, subrecipients are also required to register with the System for Award Management (SAM). SAM is a federally owned and operated free website, and it will be used to populate the information needed to report subaward information. In order to register, you must have a UEI number. Registration can be done at [Sam.gov](https://sam.gov).

This is a competitive solicitation. Grants may be funded in full or in part, based on the number of qualifying applications, available funding, and geographical representation. Each submitted grant application will be reviewed on its quality and adherence to these guidelines.

By applying for these grant funds, the applicant asserts that they have read, understand, and will comply with the following federal requirements and policies:

- [Civil Rights](#)
- [Nondiscrimination](#)
- [Limited English Proficiency Individuals](#)
- [Equal Opportunity Plans](#)
- [Department of Justice Financial Guide](#)

APPLICATION SUBMISSION AND FORMAT

Applications are due no later than **October 14, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.** (CDT). Late applications will not be accepted.

All applications shall be submitted electronically **through the AmpliFund application portal**. Have the required documentation on pages 10 and 11 of this NOFO completed and ready. **All documents are required for a complete application and must be submitted at one time.**

AmpliFund application portal link: <https://ne.amplifund.com/Public/Opportunities/Details/5f69d27b-5973-4b78-a7d2-ae1b541bc360>

Access to the application within AmpliFund closes at 5:00 PM on October 14, 2025. No applications or attachments will be accepted once the system closes. Failure to submit all documentation and/or information required for the proposed project will negatively affect the applicant's eligibility and award review process. If an award is granted, it may result in conditions that preclude the recipient from accessing or using award funds until conditions are satisfied.

It is recommended that the application submission process be completed 48 hours prior to the deadline to avoid delays that may result from technical difficulties. Log in to the system well in advance to ensure there are no issues. This platform requires users/organizations to register. If you already have a profile in the system, do not create a new one.

For technical assistance with the AmpliFund application portal, please contact Nebraska AmpliFund Support at (844) 735-0239 or support@ne-amplifund.zendesk.com. Applicants may also access resources and chat with AmpliFund Support staff through the AmpliFund Customer Support Portal at <https://ne-amplifund.zendesk.com>.

The Crime Commission reserves the right to reject any or all applications, to waive informalities and minor irregularities in applications received, and to accept any portion of the application, or all items proposed, if deemed in the best interest of the State of Nebraska to do so. Failure of the applicant to provide information requested in this Announcement or the grant application may result in the disqualification of the applicant. The fact that an applicant meets eligibility requirements and applies for eligible services does not guarantee funding.

Acceptance of Application Content: The final contents of the approved application become contractual obligations of the grant award issued to a successful applicant.

PURPOSE OF THE GRANT

JAG supports a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime and to improve the criminal justice system. The purpose of this **FY 2026 JAG Technology Solicitation** is targeted for agencies who need updates to technology infrastructure and data sharing equipment, and/or new technology software or hardware equipment.

Funding Priorities

The *Nebraska Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG) Needs Assessment Survey Analysis* conducted in the summer of 2024 revealed several recommendations made by Nebraska stakeholders to address the needs of the Nebraska Criminal Justice System. Technological infrastructure and data sharing were determined to be one of the top priorities. Technological infrastructure and data sharing includes technology for accessing or analyzing information and modernizing technological systems, particularly for enhancing decision-making, collaboration and program evaluation.

Projects seeking funds for services outside the scope of technological infrastructure and data sharing will not be considered for funding.

ELIGIBLE EXPENSES

Funding for this solicitation may only be used for technology infrastructure and data sharing software and hardware.

In order to be eligible for reimbursement, program costs must meet the following criteria:

- Costs must be necessary and reasonable for the stated purpose of the grant.
- Costs must be in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. [Learn more.](#)
- Costs must conform to any limitations or exclusions set forth in 2 C.F.R. Part 200.
- Costs must be consistent with policies and procedures of the JAG grant program and applied uniformly.
- Costs must be adequately documented with supporting materials including receipts, invoices, timesheets, paystubs, etc.

Example Uses of Funds

JAG funds can be used to support a variety of projects related to criminal justice and civil proceedings. Some examples include:

- Enhancement of forensic laboratories, including the capability to analyze deoxyribonucleic acid ("DNA") for identification purposes.
- Supporting projects related to preventing, detecting, seizing, and/or stopping the presence and use of contraband cellphones within correctional facilities. This includes the purchasing of managed access systems and other mitigation technologies (as permitted by applicable law).
- Purchasing detection equipment for fentanyl and methamphetamine. Equipment including handheld instruments and training for law enforcement safety, as well as opioid reversal agents.
- Support virtual reality de-escalation training.
- Automated fingerprint identification systems.
- Purchasing gunfire detection technology.
- Purchase of P25 compliant radio systems in order to ensure interoperability with the Nebraska Statewide Radio System (SRS).
- Body worn cameras.
- License plate readers.
- E-citation computers.
- Technology and equipment to modernize cameras in jails.
- Projects to assist in the sharing of data between law enforcement agencies and the courts.
- Other technological systems to enhance decision-making.
- Software or hardware that directly support or enhance an agency's technical capacity for collecting, processing, analyzing, and reporting NIBRS data.

FUNDING LIMITATIONS

Grant funds may not be used for:

1. JAG funds shall not be used directly for security enhancements or equipment to nongovernmental entities that are not engaged in criminal justice or public safety.
2. JAG funds shall not be used for items listed on the [JAG Prohibited Expenditure Guidance](#) as specified in the three categories below. Please see Attachment A.
 - **Category A – Strictly Prohibited:** The use of JAG funds for the purchase or transfer of any item listed in Category A is strictly prohibited and no waiver may be granted to utilize JAG funds for items listed in Category A.
 - **Category B – Statutorily Prohibited without Waiver:** The use of JAG funds for the purchase or transfer of items listed in Category B is prohibited unless Department of Justice first certifies in writing that extraordinary and exigent circumstances exist that make the use of JAG award funds to provide such matters essential to the maintenance of public safety and good order.
3. JAG funds shall not be used for luxury items, real estate, or construction projects.
4. Buy money: requests for confidential funds will not be accepted due to the strict federal procedures per the [DOJ Grants Financial Guide](#).
5. Radio systems will **only be allowable** if they are for the purpose of ensuring interoperability with the Nebraska Statewide Radio System (SRS).

Federal law prohibits the use of federal funds from certain activities irrespective of the federal funding source or the specifics of the grant program. These prohibitions include but may not be limited to:

1. Lobbying, including attempts to influence legislation or the outcome of any federal, state, or local elections. Recent changes to the law have expanded the prohibition to any federally appropriated funding used, either directly or indirectly, to support the enactment, repeal, modification, or adoption of any law, regulation, or policy, at any level of government, without the express written approval of OJP. Violations of this prohibition are now subject to civil fines of up to \$100,000 per violation.
2. Fundraising (including financial campaigns, endowment drives, solicitation of gifts and bequests, and similar expenses incurred solely to raise capital or obtain contributions).
3. The direct or indirect support of any contract or subaward to either the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now (ACORN) or its subsidiaries, without the express prior written approval of OJP.
4. Funds may not be used to discriminate against or denigrate the religious or moral beliefs of victims who participate in programs for which financial assistance is provided from those funds, or of the parents or legal guardians of such victims.

Supplanting Prohibited: Federal funds must be used to *supplement* existing state or local funds for program activities and may not replace state or local funds that have been appropriated or allocated for the same purpose. Additionally, federal funding may not replace state or local funding that is required by law. If a question of supplanting arises, the applicant or subgrantee will be required to substantiate that the reduction in non-federal resources occurred for reasons other than the receipt or expected receipt of federal funds.

GRANT REQUIREMENTS

Reporting Requirements: JAG subgrantees are required to submit quarterly programmatic and fiscal reports in Amplifund. Upon submission, an NCC grant manager will then review and approve or deny the reports. Each program report and fiscal report must be submitted prior to requests for reimbursements being approved.

Quarterly Performance Measurement Tool (PMT): BJA requires all funded agencies (subrecipients) to submit statistical data on a quarterly basis using the on-line Performance Measurement Tool (PMT) system. Agencies will be required to create internal data collection processes to collect the specific data points for quarterly reporting in the PMT system and designate a point of contact within the agency to enter the data. Additional information on PMT reporting and accessing the PMT system will be provided to funded projects.

Law enforcement agencies receiving JAG funding must submit quarterly accountability metrics data in the PMT system related to training officers have received on use of force, racial and ethnic bias, de-escalation of conflict, and constructive engagement with the public. Grantees that fail to submit this data will have their grant funds suspended until the deficiency is addressed.

Audit Requirements: All audits will comply with 2 C.F.R. Subpart F (§200.500). Audits for private non-profit agencies shall comply with the DOJ Financial Guide.

- Agencies and organizations receiving federal funds from various sources totaling \$1,000,000 or more during their Fiscal Year are required to have a Single Audit. Total cost of the audit must be prorated among funding sources. Agencies and organizations receiving federal funds from various sources totaling less than \$1,000,000 during their Fiscal Year are not required to have a Single Audit. However, a complete agency audit complying with 2 C.F.R. Subpart F (§200.500), is highly recommended once every three years for private non-profit agencies receiving funding from the Crime Commission.
- ONE Copy of the Single Audit is required to be submitted to the Crime Commission within 9 months of the agency fiscal year end, or within 30 days of receipt of the Audit report if received earlier than the 9-month deadline.

Law Enforcement Task Forces Required Training: BJA requires within 120 days of award acceptance, each current member of a law enforcement task force funded with award funds who is a task force commander, agency executive, task force officer, or other task force member equivalent rank, must complete required online (internet-based) task force training. Additionally, all future task force members must complete this training once during the period of performance for this award, or once every 4 years.

The required training is available free of charge online through the BJA-funded Center for Task Force Integrity and Leadership (www.ctfli.org). The training addresses task force effectiveness, as well as other key issues including privacy and civil liberties/rights, task force performance measurement, personnel selection, and task force oversight and accountability. If award funds are used to support a task force, the subrecipient must compile and maintain a task force personnel roster, along with course completion certificates. Certificates will need to be sent to NCC within 120 days of award acceptance.

Additional information regarding the training is available through BJA's website and the Center for Task Force Integrity and Leadership (www.ctfli.org).

Suitability to interact with minors - Recipients of awards under this funding announcement for which the purpose of some or all the activities is to directly benefit a set of individuals under 18 years of age must make determinations of suitability. Determinations must be made for all individuals who may interact with participating minors. This requirement applies regardless of an individual's employment status with the recipient organization and can include (but not limited to) employees of the recipient agency, consultants, contractors, employees of a contractor, trainees, volunteers, teachers, or mentors. The details of this requirement will be provided in Special Conditions upon award of grant funds. For more information on this requirement visit the OJP web site at <https://www.ojp.gov/funding/explore/interact-minors>.

Office of Civil Rights – Pursuant to 28 C.F.R. Section 42.302 all recipients of federal funds must be in compliance with EEO and Civil Rights requirements. All programs that receive DOJ funds or are subawarded DOJ funds via program agreements are required to conform to the grant program requirements. If there is a violation to this it may result in suspension or termination of funding, until such time as the recipient is in compliance.

Nondiscrimination (Civil Rights) – Federal laws prohibit recipients of financial assistance from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, or disability in funded programs or activities, not only in respect to employment practices but also in the delivery of services or benefits. Federal law also prohibits funded programs or activities from discriminating on the basis of age in the delivery of services or benefits. All subgrantees must prepare a **written** policy regarding how the agency will actively notify staff and program participants of nondiscrimination policies.

Civil Rights Training – All programs that receive DOJ funds are required to complete civil rights training within 90 days of the beginning of the project period and must ensure all program staff are trained on the civil rights laws and the agency's written policies regarding nondiscrimination. Nebraska Crime Commission will assign civil rights training in the training portal at the start of the project period.

Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Individuals – In accordance with Department of Justice Guidance pertaining to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d, recipients of federal assistance must take reasonable steps to provide meaningful access to their programs and activities for persons with Limited English proficiency. All subgrantees must develop a **written** LEP plan. For more information access: <http://www.lep.gov>.

Equal Employment Opportunity Assurance of Compliance – Compliance is required with the following federal laws which prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age or disability. These are Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990; Age Discrimination Act of 1975; and the Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972. All subgrantees must prepare an Equal Opportunity Employment Plan of Certification form and a **written** policy regarding how the agency will actively notify staff of nondiscrimination policies. More information may be found at: <https://www.ojp.gov/program/civil-rights/eeop/faqs>

Employment Eligibility Verification – Any award recipients (at any tier) must properly verify the employment eligibility of the individual who is being hired, consistent with the provisions of 8 U.S.C. § 1324a(a)(1) and (2).

System for Award Management (SAM) Registration – All applicants must be registered on the SAM (formerly Central Contractor Registration/CCR) database. This is the repository for standard information about federal financial assistance applicants, recipients, and subrecipients. If you had an active CCR, you have an active record in SAM. Applicants must update or renew their SAM registration. Information to register or update your entity records can be accessed at <http://www.sam.gov/>. All applicants must provide a PDF copy of their SAM registration that shows the current status of the registered entity. The name of the applicant organization must match what is on the SAM registration.

Certified Assurances and Certifications Regarding Lobbying; Suspension and Other Responsibility Matter; and Drug Free Workplace - As recipients of federal funds, the Crime Commission must sign and pass on certain Certified Assurances and requirements to subgrantees. Certified Assurances and Certifications Regarding Lobbying; Suspension and Other Responsibility Matter; and Drug Free Workplace must be signed and returned with the grant application.

Special Conditions - Awarded applicants must sign Special Conditions that include but are not limited to requirements under federal and state laws in addition to requirements for accounting, data collection and reporting.

Contracts – Any request for a noncompetitive approach for a contract of \$250,000 or more will require additional approval from the federal Office of Justice Programs. Contracts must adhere to established procurement processes. Contracts are utilized to purchase specific services and are based on set fees.

Subawards – Also referred to as sub-subrecipients. Projects involving subawards must be issued and monitored for compliance with federal requirements by the lead agency identified on the application information page. Subawards involve the passing down of federal funds to a partner agency based on actual costs. Each partner agency subawarded funds under this project must have a signed subaward and special conditions with the subrecipient

Fiscal Requirements - Commingling of funds on either a program-by-program or project-by-project basis is prohibited. The subrecipients accounting system must maintain a clear audit trail for each source of funding for each fiscal budget period and include the following:

- a) Separate accountability of receipts, obligations, expenditures of all grant funds, disbursements, and balances.
- b) Itemized records supporting all grant receipts, expenditures and match contributions in sufficient detail to show exact nature of activity.
- c) Data and information for each expenditure and match contribution with proper reference to a supporting voucher or bill properly approved.
- d) Hourly timesheets describing work activity, signed by the employee and supervisor, to document hours personnel worked on grant related activities. Match hours must be documented in same manner.
- e) Increased oversight of Pro-rating of costs that are pro-rated to grant are required to be calculated by utilizing the Proration of Costs Spreadsheet and submitting this spreadsheet with every monthly drawdown request that those expenses are being requested. The NCC Grant Manager assigned to your organization will ensure that only the actual costs for that reporting period are reimbursed.
- f) Maintenance of payroll authorizations and vouchers.
- g) Maintenance of records supporting charges for fringe benefits.
- h) Maintenance of inventory records for equipment purchased, rented, and contributed.
- i) Maintenance of billing records for consumable supplies (i.e., paper, printing) purchased.
- j) Provisions for payment by check.
- k) Maintenance of travel records (i.e., mileage logs, gas receipts).
- l) Lease Agreements, contracts services, and purchases of equipment that adhere to established procurement processes.
 - State agencies are governed by procedures of the Department of Administrative Services (DAS), these are located at <http://das.nebraska.gov/materiel/purchasing.html>
 - Counties must follow the process outlined in Nebraska statute located at <http://www.nebraskalegislature.gov/laws/statutes.php?statute=23-3108&print=true>
 - All other agencies (i.e., nonprofit, city) must adhere to the written process of the agency or if none exists, it reverts back to the Crime Commission's process (i.e., the DAS Procurement Process)

Equipment (including replacements) purchased in whole or in part with federal funds must be maintained, at a minimum, meeting the following requirements: (To fully benefit project purchases should be made at the beginning of the project period.)

- a) **Certification (provided in the SFY 2026 Certified Assurances, etc.) that property (i.e., equipment and supplies) purchased with JAG funds will be used for criminal justice purposes.**
- b) Maintain property records which include all of the following:
 - i. Description of the property
 - ii. Serial number or other identification number
 - iii. Source of the property Identification of the title holder
 - iv. Acquisition date
 - v. Cost of the property
 - vi. Percentage of Federal participation in the cost of the property
 - vii. Location of the property
 - viii. Use and condition of the property
 - ix. Disposition data, including the date of disposal and sale price
- c) A physical inventory of the property and reconcile the results with the property records at least once every 2 years.
- d) Loss, damage, or theft:
 - A control system must be in place with adequate safeguards to prevent these occurrences.
 - Promptly and properly investigate any loss damage, or theft.
 - Establish and use adequate maintenance procedures to keep the property in good condition.
 - If authorized or required to sell the property, a proper sales procedure must be established to ensure the highest possible return.
- e) Original or replacement equipment acquired under the funded project that is no longer needed for the original project must be disposed. This is also true when equipment acquired under the funded project will be used for other activities. The following must be adhered to in equipment disposition:
 - If the item to be disposed of has a current per-unit fair market value of less than \$5,000, it may be retained, sold, or otherwise disposed of with no further obligation to the Crime Commission.
 - If the item has a current per-unit fair market value of \$5,000 or more, it may be retained and sold, but the Crime Commission will have a right to a specific dollar amount.

Payments -- All payments from the Crime Commission will be on a reimbursement basis. Required documentation must be submitted by the 15th of the month following the quarter to be reimbursed in the online grant management system. Reimbursement will not be made until all required documentation has been approved.

Applicant Disclosure of Pending Applications – Applicants are to disclose whether they have any pending application for federally and/or state funded grants that include requests for funding to support the same project being proposed under this solicitation and will cover the identical cost items outlined in the budget in the application under this solicitation. The Crime Commission seeks this information to help avoid any inappropriate duplication of funding. Applicants that have pending applications as described above are to provide the following information about pending applications submitted within the last 12 months:

- federal or state funding agency;
- solicitation name/project name; and
- point of contact information at the application funding agency.

If the applicant does not have any pending applications indicate “None” on the form.

Administrative Costs - For the purposes of this grant program, projects are permitted an allocation for administrative costs under one of the following options:

Federally Approved Indirect Cost Rates: Agencies who have an established federally approved indirect cost rate agreement in place may include the allocation for indirect costs. These agencies must provide a copy of their current federally approved indirect cost rate agreement with the budget request for funding.

OR ...

De Minimis Rate: Agencies who have NEVER had a federally approved indirect cost rate agreement can elect to charge a de minimis rate of 15% of the modified total direct costs (MTDC) which may be used indefinitely. Costs must be consistently charged as either indirect or direct (not both). Agencies must provide: a) list of the requested administrative costs items and the corresponding cost of each item; b) a copy of the agency's written allocation policy for the costs; and c) a written certification that the agency has never had a federally approved indirect cost rate agreement. An example for calculating a 15% de minimis rate is provided on page 26.

Monitoring -- 2 C.F.R. Part 200 and the DOJ Grants Financial Guide set forth monitoring requirements whereby the State must establish and carry out a process of assessing the progress of projects and programs that are funded, in whole or in part, by federal funds. Grant monitoring measures both financial and programmatic progress, and allows NCC to provide technical assistance, measure subgrantee compliance, and provide results-based feedback to subgrantees.

The State will monitor all grant awards. As part of the monitoring process, the grant manager will review all reports submitted by the subgrantee for accuracy, timeliness, completeness, etc. The State will conduct on-site or desk monitoring reviews of the project or program during the term of the grant period and for up to three (3) years after it expires or is otherwise terminated. All documentation related to the grant shall be provided to the State upon request at no cost. If the subgrantee fails to comply or cooperate with the State's monitoring process, the State may consider such noncooperation as a material breach of the grant agreement, and the grant may be terminated. Delinquent, inaccurate, incomplete, and/or fraudulent program and fiscal reports will be considered a material breach of the grant agreement. NCC's remedies include, but are not limited to, identifying the grantee as high risk, de-obligated funding, termination of the grant, disqualification from future funding, and/or referral to the U.S. Office of Inspector General. The subgrantee agrees to comply with any additional requirements that may be imposed during the grant period if the State determines that the subgrantee is deemed to be high risk pursuant to 28 C.F.R. parts 66, 70.

NCC Grant Management Training (GMT): Project Points of Contact (PPOCs) and Financial Points of Contact (FPOCs) are required to complete GMT. PPOCs and FPOCs for new projects, continuation projects whose personnel haven't attended GMT since 2021, and those with new project personnel will need to complete GMT at this time. **New PPOCs and FPOCs are required to complete GMT within 120 days.** For newly funded projects, the timeframe for completing GMT is the latter of 120 days after receiving the grant award or 120 days from the beginning of the project. In the event of personnel changes, new PPOCs and FPOCs are required to complete GMT within 120 days from the effective date of taking the position. **All PPOCs and FPOCs are required to retake GMT every three years.**

This training is also recommended (but not required) for other staff supporting the project as applicable. More information on completing GMT will be provided to funded projects.

REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS

- ☐ SAM Registration (Required) – Provide a downloaded PDF copy of their current and active SAM registration. The legal name of the applicant organization must exactly match the name associated with the SAM registration.
- ☐ Non-Profit Verification (Required - NON-PROFIT ONLY) – can include: 1) a copy of 501(c)(3) designation letter; 2) a letter from the state taxing body or Attorney General stating that the applicant is a non-profit organization operating within the state; OR 3) a copy of the state certificate of incorporation that substantiates the applicant's non-profit status.
- ☐ IRS Form 990 OR equivalent (Required - NON-PROFIT ONLY) – All non-profit applicants must provide a copy of their most recent 990 or equivalent.
- ☐ Certified Assurances (Required) – Provide certified assurances completed by the Authorized Official.
- ☐ Organizational Questionnaire (Required) – Provide Organizational Questionnaire form completed by the Financial Point of Contact.
- ☐ Board of Directors or Tribal Council Membership List (Required) – Provide a complete list of Board of Directors or Tribal Council Membership. List should include board title, term served, professional position/organization, and contact information.
- ☐ Organizational Chart (Required) – Provide an Organizational Chart that reflects the current leadership structure of the applicant agency.
- ☐ Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) – Required of an agency when an application for funds includes an explicit non-financial collaboration with partnering organizations. The MOU provides documentation that demonstrates that the partnered organizations consulted and coordinated the responsibilities of their project activities. The MOU must be signed by all partners. Signatories must be officially authorized to sign on behalf of the agency (Authorized Official). Attach MOU agreements related to this project.
- ☐ Agency Policies – Attach agency policies that are applicable to the proposed project. If no policy is submitted, the Crime Commission will default to the policy of the State of Nebraska. The following policies may be required:
 - Capitalization or Equipment Policy
 - Harassment Policy
 - LEP Plan
 - Data Collection and Reporting Policy
 - Breach of Personally Identifiable Information (PII) Procedures
- ☐ Indirect Cost Rate Agreement – Required for agencies that have a federally approved indirect cost rate agreement. Attach a copy of your agency's current Federally Approved Indirect Cost Rate Agreement.
- ☐ De Minimis Certification of Indirect Costs – Required for all agencies that are requesting 10% de minimis. If applicable, download and attach the completed form to the application.
- ☐ Indirect Costs Calculator – Required for all agencies that have a federally approved Indirect Cost Rate Agreement or are requesting 15% de minimis. If applicable, download and attach the completed form to the application.
- ☐ Other Attachments – Provide any other needed attachments corresponding with your application here, such as a copy of agency bylaws if needed to confirm the Authorized Official listed or completed NCC Grant Management Training (GMT) certificates within the last 3 years.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

PROJECT INFORMATION PAGE

Fill out the general application information as required by AmpliFund, including the name of the project, the federal amount requested, and the contact information for the person completing the agency's application. Please use "SFY 2026 JAG Technology – AGENCY NAME" for the application name.

From the menu on the Application Forms page, select SFY 2026 JAG Technology - Application Form to access the application and provide the following information. Necessary attachments that are not requested on this form may be provided under the SFY 2026 JAG Technology– Document Uploads form.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Please complete the contact information, providing the requested information as noted on the application itself. The applicant must be the agency that will receive and disburse the grant funds.

The federal Employee Identification Number (EIN) and the SAM Unique Entity Identification (UEI) number must be that of the applicant. Each applicant is required to attach a downloaded PDF copy of the applicant's SAM registration.

The application must identify a Project Point of Contact, a Financial Point of Contact, and an Authorized Official for the proposed project. Each position must be assigned to a different individual. These persons are responsible for oversight of the project and will need to complete various responsibilities, including completing certifications, throughout the course of the project. Changes in these positions will require a project change request identifying the new personnel.

- **Project Point of Contact (PPOC):** primary contact for the project, responsible for overall project management and correspondence with the Crime Commission.
- **Financial Point of Contact (FPOC):** responsible for financial reports and fiscal oversight of the project.
- **Authorized Official (AO):** individual representing the applicant agency who possesses the authority to sign contracts and agreements on behalf of the agency. The Authorized Official is typically considered to be the City Mayor, the Chair of County Board/Council, the Board President of a non-profit organization, or Designee through Tribal Resolution. If the person identified as the Authorized Official has another position, a copy of the agency policy or bylaws supporting their signing authority shall be provided.

Type of Agency: Please only select one type. If you select "Other" please provide the type of agency on the provided line. If your agency is a Nonprofit/501(c)(3) organization, you are required to upload your nonprofit verification and the most recent IRS Form 990 or equivalent proof of their financial statements being available online. Non-profits must also provide the waiver letter from the local law enforcement jurisdiction.

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Community or Services Area Description:

1. **Areas served by this project (Counties/Cities/Tribe/Statewide):** Provide the service areas for this program. If you are planning to serve more than one county, please list them all.
2. **Identify the service area designation(s) as rural, urban, and/or frontier. If more than one designation, explain and include the percentage of each designation within the service area.** Per the US Census Bureau, an urban area is 50,000 or more people, an urban cluster is 2,500-49,999 people, and rural is anything less than 2,499. The Rural Health Information Hub indicates frontier as six or fewer people per square mile as well as distance to rural and urban areas. Please see the definition of frontier here: <https://www.ruralhealthinfo.org/topics/frontier#definition>. If the service area is more than one designation, the percentage of each designation needs to equal 100%.

Sustainability: To address the level of stability of the proposed program beyond JAG funding, address the applicant organization's mission and purpose; length of time in operation; numbers of agency staff and volunteers; organization structure; current scope of services or operations; the need for the funding and how it is supported by other sources; efforts taken prior to applying. The table providing information on agency staff and volunteers is required.

Supplemental Funding Chart: Agencies must provide information on the entire operating budget and sources of funding for the criminal justice program in the most recently completed 12-month budget. Complete the chart to show total program income from all sources as well as other funds available to this project. The applicant must report any generated program income on the requested budget on specific line items.

Applicants who are State, County, or City entities with much larger scopes should complete information based on where the proposed project will operate from such as a division, department, unit, etc. All other applicants or lead agencies should complete information based on the agency's total budget.

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1. Identify any pending applications for federally and/or state-funded grants that include requests for funding to support the same project being proposed under this solicitation and will cover identical cost items included in the budget for this application.
2. Provide the following information about pending applications submitted within the last 12 months:
 - a. Federal or state funding agency
 - b. Agency point of contact information (name, phone number, email address)
 - c. Solicitation name
 - d. Project or application name

If the applicant does not have any pending applications, indicate "None" on the application form.

Project Summary: Provide a concise statement highlighting the major aspects of the proposed project (150 words or less): Briefly describe an overall description of what is being requested, what services will be provided, and the important features of the program requesting funding. This should be your short "elevator speech" describing the program.

Problem Statement: Provide a concise description of the social problem(s) the project will address. Include local crime rate information/data. If the project is a statewide effort, statewide crime rates are acceptable. (400 words or less) - Briefly describe the problem, issue, or need in the community that this program is targeting. Use specific data points to show the program request addresses the identified need. There must be recent local data that justifies the request for this program or service. Do not use data from other states.

Project Plan

Describe what the activities you are proposing for this project are by answering the questions below. This description should provide a clear understanding of the method(s) used by your project to achieve your goals, objectives, and projected outcomes, and how the activities will address the problem you are trying to solve.

1. **Indicate the population(s) to be served.** - Ensure that the program request is targeting the appropriate demographics based on best practices.
2. **Describe any best practices that will be used for the criminal justice project.** - Is it evidence-based, promising, research-based or practiced-based.
3. **Describe the services/programming activities that will be provided for this funded program (do not include other activities your agency provides) along with a brief description.** List the services or programming that the grant funded program will provide to the communities with a brief description. This would be where curriculums and activities would be detailed. Do not provide a day-by-day breakdown.
4. **List, by agency name, up to five other programs and/or services operating within the community or service area that contribute to the solution of the stated problem. Indicate how this project coordinates with those programs/services (i.e., how does the law enforcement agency coordinate with the jail, community organizations, etc.).** Provide up to five other programs and/or services in your community that are also working toward addressing the problem statement listed above. Describe how your program and these other programs work together to address these issues and provide the best possible community impact.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

List the top three goals for this project that will align with the state of Nebraska's priority area of Technological Infrastructure and Data-Sharing. Below are the goals that the applicant must describe how the program will achieve meeting the goal throughout the grant cycle.

- Optimizing data-sharing capabilities to improve collaboration and operation efficiency by law enforcement, local government agencies to enhance public safety.
- Improving the flow of information by modernizing interoperable communication among different law enforcement agencies and local government agencies to assist with quicker responses to and prevent crime.
- New or upgraded equipment will support criminal justice initiatives, including law enforcement, corrections and courts to improve security and tracking.

Each goal should have at least one objective and within each objective at least one outcome or activity and a timeframe. You may list more than one objective for each goal, and more than one outcome/activity for each objective. These goals will be reported on each quarterly progress report.

Goals must be measurable and state **what will be done** utilizing the grant funds, **what will be measured**, and within **what timeframe**. Goals will need to have a goal type identified for the goal to be properly reported on and tracked. The goal types are as follows:

1. **Narrative:** allows you to set a goal and track the progress of the goal by writing out narratives.
2. **Numeric:** allows you to set a planned number to be achieved. You will be able to track the actual numbers achieved vs. the goal's planned number.
3. **Percent Achieved:** this goal type allows you to set a goal percentage that you hope to achieve. You will be able to track the actual percentage achieved vs. the goal's planned percentage.

Measurable performance indicators **increase, decrease, or maintain** something and are not activity statements such as *to provide (event), to train, retain employees or to establish*. For example, if the *strategy* is for "New or upgrade equipment will support criminal justice initiatives," then the *goal/objective* could be the number of offenders arrested with the addition of an upgrade to the data-sharing software to increase awareness of public safety.

If percentage changes are referenced in objectives, actual numbers will also need to be included. For example, if the goal is to "increase number of offenders arrested by 25%", it should be stated as "to increase numbers arrested by 25%, from 80 to 100". For ease of reporting, this performance measure should be entered as a "number" type of measure with 100 as the planned goal.

When developing goals/objectives, consider the following:

- How will the communities this program serves will benefit?
- By completing this project, what will be the outcome for the public and the criminal justice providers?

AGENCY BUDGET

Fill out the table on the agency's current annual budget. This is for the entire agency, not just the program that is being requested. If you do not receive funding from a listed category, please put \$0. For State Grants/Contracts, Federal Grants/Grants, Program Income/Fees/Dues, and Other Contributions list the source and amount for each. Add more lines in each category if necessary. Example:

Source	Amount
Federal Grants/Contracts - TOTAL	\$15,000
Program Income/Fees/Dues	\$60,000
Local Grants/Contracts	\$0
State Grants/Contracts - TOTAL	\$35,000
CBA	\$25,000
OVP	\$10,000

Budget Summary

This section is for the program that is being requested in the application. Match is not required, but if you do have program income, you must include it in the budget tables. You do not need to include program income if you are not going to be generating any program income. Please use whole numbers in the budget tables. If the amount comes to a decimal, round as appropriate.

Budget Summary Table: Enter the total amount of grant funds requested in each category. Provide budget numbers by rounding up or down to the nearest dollar.

Equipment: Items with a useful life of more than one year and a per-unit acquisition cost exceeding the capitalization threshold are considered equipment. Agencies may use their own capitalization policy for classification of equipment and supplies, but only if the capitalization threshold is less than the state policy threshold of \$5,000. Items under \$5,000 are considered supplies per state policy, although lower-cost items may be considered equipment per agency policy.

Purchases of equipment must adhere to established procurement processes and equipment must be managed in accordance with Federal Property and Equipment guidelines. Equipment procurement and management standards are outlined in the Financial Requirements section of this document. Refer to grant program guidelines for allowable items. Items requiring bids will not be funded absent a showing that bids were obtained as required by law, rules, or regulations.

Special rules, set out in 34 U.S.C. 10227 (a provision of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968), apply to the ownership, use, and disposition of equipment and supplies purchased with Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (Byrne JAG) funds awarded by the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA). These rules supersede any conflicting provision of 2 C.F.R. Part 200. See 2 C.F.R. Part 2800.

- Title to all equipment and supplies purchased with Byrne JAG funds vests in the criminal justice agency or non-profit organization that purchased the property, if it certifies to the State Office that it will use the property for criminal justice purposes.
- If such certification is not made, title to the property shall vest in the State Office, which shall seek to have the property used for criminal justice purposes elsewhere in the State prior to using it or disposing of it in any other manner.
- State and subrecipients) in accordance with State procedures, with no further obligation to the awarding agency.
- The procedures on use and management of equipment set out above apply to the extent that they do not conflict with 34 U.S.C. 10227.

Entities must follow their written procurement process and if a process is not in place, then the entity must use Nebraska's procurement process governed by DAS.

Equipment table: List the item to be purchased.

- Grant funds - List the amount being requested through the grant application.
- If utilizing program income, include in the other funding categories. If not, put \$0
- Total Cost – the total of grant funds, and program income

Equipment Narrative: Program equipment requests are requests that will assist in the necessary functions of the program. Explain how the equipment is necessary for the success of the project and describe the procurement method to be used. Provide the following:

- a. List each item requested and purpose.
- b. Planned Purchase date of equipment being replaced
- c. Include bids or quotes if items are required for bids (3 preferred).
- d. Identify the capitalization threshold and whether agency or state policy is followed. If agency equipment policy is followed, please provide a copy of the policy as an attachment.
- e. Summarize the bidding process to be used.
- f. Address supplanting. For existing or recurring equipment expenses, explain how the expenses were previously funded.
- g. Include the allocation and detailed calculation of the equipment. Explain how the total and budgeted amounts were determined and any applicable basis for prorating.

Supplies/Operating Expenses: Generally, supplies include any materials that are expendable or consumed during the course of the project. List items by type (office supplies, postage, training materials, curriculum). Each item needs to be on its own line. Add more lines if necessary.

Supplies/Operating Expenses Narrative: Explain how each item is necessary to meet the goals and outcomes of the program. Show the basis for computation if needed. Example below.

Supplies/ Operating Expenses			
Item	Grant Funds	Program Income	Total Cost
Software/Databases	\$40,000	\$0	\$40,000
Livescan fingerprint technology	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000
Total Supplies/Operating Expenses	\$725	\$	\$725
Supplies/Operating Expenses Narrative: Software and database system upgrade for criminal justice information, data collection, records management, and automated fingerprint identification (AFIS) - \$3,333 fee for 12 months = \$40,000 Livescan fingerprint technology for faster and more accurate identification with FBI certification. One fingerprint live scanner is \$2,000			

Consultants/Contracts Table:

- **Item** – provide the service type and provider name. Add more lines if necessary to include all contracts.
- **Rate** – list the dollar amount that is being requested either hourly, daily, or per occurrence. ***Consultant fees in excess of \$650 per day or \$81.25 per hour require additional justification and prior approval from OJP***
- **Number of Occurrences** – List the amount of hours or days this service is being requested. Then check the box to denote whether the rate is being charged either by the hour or day. If the service is per occurrence, that can be noted in the “Rate” column and Hrs or Days boxes can remain unchecked.

Consultants/Contract Narrative: Provide additional information about the services to be provided and the agency that will be contracted with.

Subaward table:

- **Item** – list the agency’s name for each line item. Add additional lines as needed to incorporate all subawarded agencies.
- **Grant Funds** – List the amount being requested through the grant application.
- **If utilizing match**, include in the cash match and in-kind match categories. If not, put \$0
- **Total Cost** – the total of grant funds, cash match, and in-kind match.

Subaward narrative:

- **Purpose of subaward** - Explain the necessity or purpose of the subaward and the partner agency’s role.
- **Service to be provided** - Expected deliverables or services that the subaward will provide and how they’ll impact the project.
- **Supplanting**: Provide an explanation that funds being requested for this position will not be used to supplant (replace) existing funds that would, in the absence of these funds, be made available for grant purposes
- **Itemized breakdown of expenses** - Provide a summary of the subaward budget and an itemized breakdown of requested expenses. Include the allocation and detailed calculation of each line item and describe the specific duties for each position requested.

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2. Provide the following information about pending applications submitted within the last 12 months:
 - 1 Federal or state funding agency
 - 2 Solicitation/project name
 - 3 Contact information for the funding agency point of contact

If the applicant does not have any pending applications, indicate “None” on the application form.

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The applicant’s proposed goals and objectives for the project are to be entered into the AmpliFund Performance Plan Template. Applicants can refer to the AmpliFund user guides for specific instructions on submitting the goals/objectives within AmpliFund. Objectives should directly correlate to the project’s proposed budget and the project services outlined in the Project Narrative.

Timeframe – (November 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026). Applicant should develop a project goals and objectives for no more than 8 months of operations.

Strategies – Broad statements summarizing the overarching purpose(s) of the project. The number of strategies will depend on the size of the proposed project. Applicants must enter their own measurable goals/objectives that will advance the project toward achieving the overarching strategy.

Goals/Objectives – Each strategy should have 2-3 goals or objectives that clearly state what is planned for the project’s activities and achievements. Goals must be measurable and state **what will be done** utilizing the grant funds, **what will be measured**, and within **what timeframe**. Goals will need to have a goal type identified for the goal to be properly reported on and tracked. The goal types are as follows:

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Application Review Process

Projects will be reviewed as competitive applications.

The Crime Commission reserves the right to reject any or all applications, to waive informalities and minor irregularities in applications received, and to accept any portion of the application, or all items proposed, if deemed in the best interest of the State of Nebraska to do so. Failure of the applicant to provide information requested in this Announcement or the grant application may result in the disqualification of the applicant. The fact that an applicant meets eligibility requirements and applies for eligible services does not guarantee funding. Acceptance of Application Content: The final contents of the approved application become contractual obligations of the grant award issued to a successful applicant.

Review will be based on the following criteria: applicant eligibility, adherence to federal and state requirements and guidelines, Completeness, clarity, continuity and consistency of the written application. The written application shall include all sections and information as outlined in the grant application instructions; ability and capacity of the proposed project to make an impact on the identified problem, availability of other resources to address the problem or need of the proposed project including an explanation of how the applicant's project proposal will work with and/or coordinate with existing resources, cost effectiveness of the proposed project, amount of grant funds available, and the performance and/or ability of the applicant to manage a grant program.

Applications will also be considered according to the JAG funding priority area.

Grant Review and Scoring

In addition to the criteria listed above, the following criteria will be considered when awarding Byrne JAG funds: the amount of funds available; the priorities described in this solicitation; the applicant's ability to consistently spend down previous grant awards; applicant's ability to consistently meet financial and programmatic reporting requirements and deadlines; prior measurable performance/effectiveness of programs; data-based and/or evidence-informed merit of the proposal, and a commitment to sustainability plans and/or match funds, such as funding personnel fringe or partially funding the programs. All eligible applications will be evaluated and scored on the completeness and clarity of the grant application, and if the budget request is necessary, reasonable, and allowable.

Do not assume the grant reviewers know this information; provide detailed answers within each application.

The following is a list of criteria used in grant review scoring:

Attachments:

- SAM Registration
- Certified Assurances
- Organizational Questionnaire
 - If applicable, Single Audit or Financial Audit
- Board of Directors or Tribal Council Membership List
- Organizational Chart
- Agency Policies
 - Capitalization or Equipment Policy
- Indirect Costs
 - Rate Agreement (if applicable)
 - De Minimis Certification of Indirect Costs (if applicable)
 - Indirect Costs Calculator (if applicable)
- MOUs (if applicable)
- Other Attachments (i.e., bylaws and etc.) if applicable
- Application Signed

Section 1: Applicant Information

- Applicant provides all information requested. Appropriate signatures are included. Financial officer cannot be the same person as project director.
- Whether the project or program is within the scope of the grant.
- The applicant's eligibility.
- History of deobligation

Section 2: Program Narratives: Program narratives should be complete enough to give the reviewer a clear picture of the who, what, when, where, and how in describing what the program is and who it is serving.

- Clearly describes an identified priority area and makes a connection on how this proposed program will meet the priority areas. **(5 points)**
- Clearly describes the proposed program and includes the proposed project's purpose and intended impact, include the geographic area served, direct services provided, and a description of the target population to be served. **(10 points)**
- Clearly describes how the program will address the social problem(s), including local and/or statewide crime rate information/data. **(5 points)**
- An explanation of how this project's funding will continue after the grant funds cease is clearly presented. Any sources of definite future funding are identified. If future funding is uncertain, potential sources for funding are stated. If this project is not to continue after the grant, a clear explanation is given. Strategies to cultivate future funding sources are provided. **(5 points)**

Section 3: Budget: Budget narratives should accurately explain project costs that are reasonable, necessary, and otherwise allowable. The budget narrative should be mathematically sound and correspond clearly with the information and figures provided in the Budget tables. The narrative should explain how the applicant estimated and calculated all costs, and how those costs are necessary to the completion of the proposed project.

- Budget tables completed correctly and fully. **(5 points)**
- A narrative is provided which details, matches and justifies the amounts included in the budget form clearly. **(10 points)**
- Rates are reasonable and consistent with that paid for similar work in other state or local governments. If the position is funded partially by the grant the % of salary is identified. Other sources of funds are clearly identified which fund the proposed program. **(5 points)**
- Clear description the proposed expenditures set forth in the project budget are allowable, reasonable, and cost effective. **(2.5 points)**
- Detailed budget breakdowns are complete, clear description of how request is necessary to meet the goals and outcomes of the program. **(2.5 points)**
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Total Points: 50

Byrne JAG Prohibited and Controlled Expenditure List

***Category A- Strictly Prohibited:** The use of JAG funds for the purchase or transfer of any item listed in Category A is strictly prohibited. No waiver may be granted to utilize JAG funds for items listed in Category A.

- Any direct or indirect use of Byrne JAG award funds to provide any security enhancements or any equipment to any nongovernmental entity that is not engaged in criminal justice or public safety.
- Firearms of .50 or greater caliber.
- Ammunition of .50 or greater caliber.
- Firearm silencers, as defined in 18 U.S.C. 921 (a)(24).
- Bayonets.
- Grenades (including stun and flash-bang).
- Grenade launchers (including launchers for stun and flash-bang).
- Explosives (except for explosives and percussion actuated non-electric disruptors used for accredited bomb squads and explosive detection canine training).
- Any vehicles that do not have a commercial application, including all tracked and armored vehicles, unless the LEA certifies that the vehicles will be used exclusively for disaster-related emergencies; active shooter scenarios; hostage or other search and rescue operations; or anti-terrorism preparedness, protection, prevention, response, recovery, or relief.
- Unmanned Aerial System (UAS), Unmanned Aircraft (UA) and/or Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV)
- Weapons systems covered by DOD Directive 3000.09 of November 21, 2012 as amended (Autonomy in Weapon Systems).
- Weaponized aircraft, vessels, and vehicles of any kind.
- Aircraft that are combat-configured or combat-coded, have no established commercial flight application, or have no application for disaster-related emergencies; active shooter scenarios; hostage or other search and rescue operations; or anti-terrorism preparedness, protection, prevention, response, recovery, or relief.
- Long-range acoustic devices that do not have a commercial application.
- Camouflage Uniforms (digital pattern). Woodland and desert patterns are allowable based on operational needs. Camouflage may not be worn in urban or populous areas.

***Category B – Statutorily Prohibited without Waiver:** The use of JAG funds for the purchase or of items listed in Category B is prohibited unless the Department of Justice first certifies in writing that extraordinary and exigent circumstances exist that make the use of JAG award funds to provide such matters essential to the maintenance of public safety and good order.

- Vehicles (excluding police cruisers), vessels (excluding police boats), or aircraft (excluding police helicopters).
- Luxury items
- Real estate
- Construction projects (other than penal or correctional institutions).
- Any similar matter.

Vehicles include: Buses/RVs, Trucks, including pickup trucks, Vans, including passenger vans, Motorcycles, SUVs, Segways, golf carts, ATVs, UTVs, and other similar items.

For purposes of Category B, a vehicle is considered a “police cruiser” only if it is used in the ordinary course for routine police patrol within the United States. Vehicles (including motorcycles, SUVs, pickup trucks, ATVs, and UTVs) used as “police cruisers” are not prohibited under JAG and therefore may be acquired with JAG funds in the ordinary course, to the extent otherwise allowable under the award.

“Vessels” includes, without limitation

- Any form of boat or watercraft capable of holding or transporting instruments, other cargo and/or at least one person.
- For purposes of Category B, a vehicle is considered a “police boat” only if it is used by the recipient jurisdiction (or subrecipient jurisdiction, as applicable) in the ordinary course to conduct law enforcement operations within the United States.

Vessels used as “police boats” are not included on the Prohibited List and therefore may be acquired with Byrne JAG funds in the ordinary course, to the extent otherwise allowable under the award.

Aircraft includes without limitation:

- Any craft designed to move instruments, other cargo, and/or at least one person through the air, such as helicopters or airplanes (rotary-wing or fixed-wing aircraft).

For purposes of Category B, a helicopter is considered a “police helicopter” only if it is used by the recipient jurisdiction (or subrecipient jurisdiction, as applicable) in the ordinary course to conduct law enforcement operations within the United States.

*Aircraft used as “police helicopters” are not included on the Prohibited List; however, police helicopters are included in Category D and require certification.

***Category C- Statutorily Prohibited without Waiver and Controlled consistent with E.O. 14074**

The use of OJP grant funds for the purchase or transfer of the following equipment is controlled, and recipients may not obligate, expend, or draw down funds for items on the controlled equipment list without express prior written approval post-award, via Grant Award Modification in OJP’s JustGrants system.

- Command and/or Control Vehicles (Any wheeled vehicle either purpose-built or modified to facilitate the operational control and direction of public safety units responding to an incident). Command and Control Vehicles are similar to a recreational vehicle and can accommodate multiple people at multiple workstations in the command center. This category is not intended for other types of vehicles that could serve as a command and control center, including sport utility vehicles (SUVs).
- Tactical Vehicles, wheeled (A vehicle purpose-built to operate on-and off-road in support of military operations, such as a HMMWV (Humvee), 2.5 ton truck, 5-ton truck, or a vehicle with a breaching or entry apparatus attached). This excludes commercially available vehicles not tactical in nature, such as pick-up trucks or SUVs being used in the ordinary course by police forces in the United States for patrol activities.
- Wheeled armored vehicles.
- Manned aircraft, fixed and/or rotary wing. This excludes police helicopters; however, police helicopters are subject to the requirements of Category D.

***Category D- Controlled consistent with E.O. 14074**

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- Police helicopters
- Specialized firearms and ammunition under .50 caliber. This excludes service-issued handguns, refills, or shotguns that are issued or approved by the agency to be used during the course of regularly assigned duties.
- Explosives and pyrotechnics

Adapted from the Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance Division, *Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program : Prohibited and Controlled Expenditure Guidance for Awards Made During or After (federal) Fiscal Year 2023*