

# DOJ JustGrants

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE: JUSTICE GRANTS SYSTEM (JUSTGRANTS) TRANSITION UPDATE



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JUSTICE GRANTS SYSTEM

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# U.S. Department of Justice Grant-Making Components

- **Three grant-making components:**

- Office of Justice Programs (OJP)
- Office on Violence Against Women (OVW)
- Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS)

- **These components award grants to address priorities such as:**

- Administering justice for and strengthening services to victims.
- Advancing the practice of community policing by state, local, territorial, and tribal law enforcement agencies.
- Implementing state-of-the-art strategies for crime fighting, control, and prevention by law enforcement officers.
- Expanding research, training and technical assistance, and programs that enhance the criminal and juvenile justice systems and support services.

# Office of Justice Programs

- Provides federal leadership to federal, state, local, and tribal justice systems by disseminating state-of-the-art knowledge and practices across America, and providing grants for the implementation of these crime-fighting strategies.
- Strengthens partnerships with state, local, and tribal stakeholders.
- Ensures integrity of, and respect for, science, including a focus on evidence-based approaches in criminal and juvenile justice.
- Administers OJP's grant awards process in a fair, accessible, and transparent fashion.
- As good stewards of federal funds, manage the grants process in a manner that avoids waste, fraud, and abuse.

# Office of Justice Programs, Program Offices

- Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)
- Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS)
- National Institute of Justice (NIJ)
- Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP)
- Office for Victims of Crime (OVC)
- Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering, and Tracking (SMART)

# Types of DOJ Grants

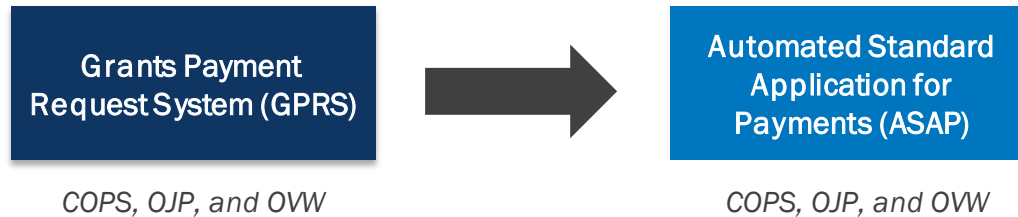
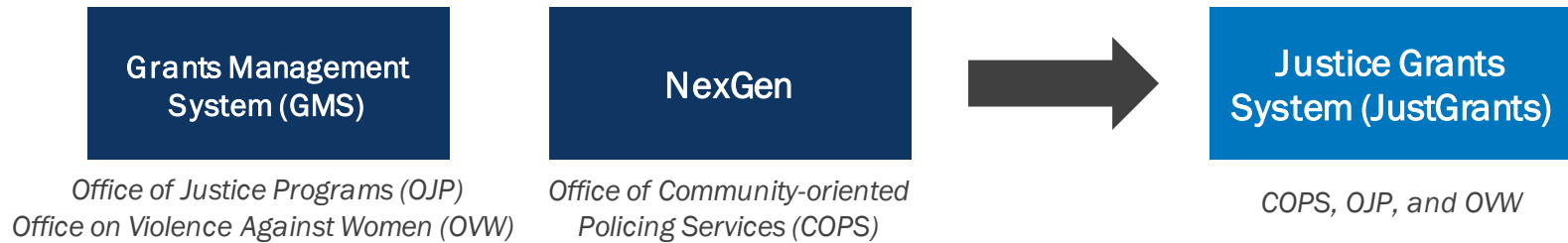
## **Discretionary**

- Awarded directly by DOJ to eligible recipients.
- Applicants apply directly to DOJ.
- Typically awarded on a competitive basis using a merit-based review process.
- Applications undergo a preliminary review process to ensure that they are complete and meet eligibility requirements.

## **Formula**

- Typically administered and managed by State Administering Agencies or other DOJ-approved fiscal agents.
- Distribution of funds among eligible recipients is either statutorily defined, or defined by distribution process specified by DOJ.

# JustGrants Overview



# Justice Grants System (JustGrants)



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JUSTICE GRANTS SYSTEM

JustGrants is the new grants management system for COPS, OJP, and OVW.



Improved access to  
and accuracy of data



Reduced need for  
manual data entry



Efficient and  
automated workflows



Enterprise-wide  
access to data



Access to online forms  
with built-in data  
validation



Streamlined end-to-  
end processes

# Automated Standard Application for Payments (ASAP)



ASAP is an electronic system provided by the Department of the Treasury that federal agencies use to quickly and securely transfer money to recipient organizations.



Used by many federal agencies



Able to request and receive funds online



Self-service grantee banking



Able to return funds online



Payments on same or next business day



Access to live customer support



# Leveraging Best Practices and Shared Services



Met with other  
government  
agencies



Leveraged  
government-wide  
shared services



Integrated  
commercial-level  
software

# Entity Management

## Enhanced Entity Login and Account Setup

JustGrants provides entities with the ability to manage their entity information, profiles, and users, increasing the transparency of application and award information across the entity and which actions need to be taken and when.

### New Functionality



- Integrate SAM.gov for validated entity information
- Invite entity users to onboard as part of your organization
- Authenticate each user with their own login and password
- Manage multiple users and associate individual roles
- Assign users to one or many, applications and award tasks and activities

# Landing Page

JustGrants provides the entities with a streamlined and intuitive interface to access their profiles and manage users, access libraries of forms, and find their application and award actions in one place.

## New Functionality



- Update your profile in real time
- Manage entity-wide documents so that all applications submitted to DOJ are using the same version of entity documents (e.g., financial capability questionnaire, indirect cost rate agreements)
- Access to Federal-wide forms at your fingertips
- Access application and award actions easily
- Provide notification to alert entities of pending reporting deadlines
- View work list of pending work across multiple applications and awards

# Identifying Grant Opportunities

JustGrants leverages Federal-wide shared services to authenticate users and entities and initiate the application submission process.

## New Functionality



- Leverage Grants.gov authentication process to ensure valid entity information
- Leverage familiar look and feel to search, find, and initiate applications in Grants.gov
- Simplify the Grants.gov application submission process
- Provide direct access to JustGrants to complete the application submission process

# Application Submission

JustGrants provides the entities with the ability to view all pending applications across COPS, OJP, and OVW, application status and due dates. JustGrants provides a data-driven, streamlined, and consistent application process.

## New Functionality



- View pending applications across COPS, OJP, and OVW, with status and due dates
- Receive alerts right on the screen when application deadlines are approaching
- Complete only sections of an application required in the solicitation
- View solicitation directly from application screen
- Complete integrated budget detail worksheet with automatic calculations
- Leverage application data when viewing awards and submitting required Financial and Performance Reports

# Award Accept and Decline

JustGrants provides the entities with the ability to view all awards across COPS, OJP, and OVW, award status and allows for electronic signature when accepting or declining an award.

## New Functionality



- View new and existing awards across COPS, OJP, and OVW
- Validate Authorized Representatives (OJP and OVW), and Law Enforcement Executive and Government Executive (COPS) prior to accept or decline
- Apply electronic signature and timestamp to accepted or declined awards

# Financial Reporting

JustGrants provides the entities with a consistent experience of completing the Federal Financial Report (FFR) across COPS, OJP, and OVW, and provides users with a real-time view of their FFR status and approaching deadlines.

## New Functionality



- Leverage the OMB SF-425 form structure
- Users insert cumulative amounts
- Integrated instructions built directly into the FFR
- Snapshot of award details and entity information while completing the FFR

# Performance Management

JustGrants provides the entities a more comprehensive approach to performance management and includes the ability to report on an award's progress and performance measures at the same time.

## New Functionality



- Utilize a streamlined questionnaire format
- Use of logic so that entities answer questions based on their responses
- Data validations so that entities have confidence in the data they are submitting
- Include narrative responses to support data being reported



# Grant Award Modifications (GAMs)

Formerly known as Grant Adjustment Notifications (GAN) in GMS, JustGrants unifies the GAM process across COPS, OJP, and OVW with a consistent experience across the multiple GAMs that can be submitted.

## New Functionality



- Pre-populated data from award information
- Additional data validations to check for information accuracy and reduce duplication.
- Streamlined experience with completion of online GAM information
- Snapshot of award details while completing a GAM
- More comprehensively updated award details when GAMs are approved

# Monitoring

JustGrants provides the entities with all their DOJ award monitoring activities in one place, including when monitoring is planned (i.e., start and end dates), monitoring status, and any related issues for resolution. Visibility into Monitoring is limited to the users who have been assigned access to view this information.

## New Functionality



- View all DOJ monitoring activities in one place for your entity
- View pending and completed monitoring history for your entity's awards
- View issues for resolution without multiple navigation steps

# Closeout

JustGrants provides entities with all necessary award information in one screen in order to process an award closeout.

## New Functionality



- View the status of all required items for closeout including final reports and deliverables on one closeout screen
- View a financial reconciliation page
- Address delinquent reports or deliverables from the same closeout screen (depending on assigned roles)
- View pre-populated data from Award information

# JustGrants Support

Preparations for the upcoming system transitions are framed in three areas.



Communications & Engagement



Training



User Support

# OJP Funding Resource Center

The screenshot shows the homepage of the OJP Funding Resource Center. At the top, it features the U.S. Department of Justice logo and the text "U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS". There is a search bar and navigation links for "Contact Us", "Careers", and "Subscribe". A main navigation menu includes "Home", "About Us", "News Center", "Grants/Funding" (highlighted), "For Congress", "Resources", "Topics", "Training", and "Data". Below the navigation is a large blue banner with the text "Grants/Funding". A prominent announcement box on the left states: "New Grants and Payment Management Systems Now Available!". To the right of this announcement are three links: "Applicant Resources", "Opportunities & Awards", and "Recipient Resources".

<https://www.ojp.gov/funding>

This graphic summarizes the content of the Funding Resource Center. It is titled "Funding Resource Center" and includes a welcome message: "Welcome to OJP's Funding Resource Center. Whether you're looking for a funding opportunity or need an overview of OJP's grant process, the Center provides you with access to the information you need." Below this is a section for "Announcements" with a list of five links: "FY 2020 Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program", "OJP Grantee Update #1 COVID-19 Impacts", "Grantee Update #2: Guidance on Short Term Administrative Relief for Grantees Impacted by COVID-19", "Grantee Update #3: Updated Guidance on Short Term Administrative Relief for Grantees Impacted by COVID-19", "OJP Grant Application Resource Guide revised for FY 2021", and "Grants.gov maintenance and outage schedule". The graphic is divided into three columns, each with an icon and a title: "EXPLORE" (Opportunities & Awards), "APPLY" (Applicant Resources), and "IMPLEMENT" (Recipient Resources). Each column contains a brief description of the resources available in that section and a link to explore or find more resources.

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EXPLORE	APPLY	IMPLEMENT
<b>Opportunities &amp; Awards</b> <p>This section of the Funding Resource Center provides access to: current funding opportunities from the OJP offices; past solicitations; OJP funding award data; and, legal overviews and notices.</p> <p><a href="#">Explore OJP Funding &amp; Awards</a></p>	<b>Applicant Resources</b> <p>This section of the Funding Resource Center captures helpful guidance information and resources for potential OJP funding applicants, including the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide, the Financial Guide, information about application requirements, and more.</p>	<b>Recipient Resources</b> <p>This section of the Funding Resource Center provides access to post-award instructions, grantee training/technical assistance, information about whistleblower protections, and grant performance and reporting information.</p> <p><a href="#">Find Grant Implementation Resources</a></p>

# Next Steps



Email

[askjusticegrants@usdoj.gov](mailto:askjusticegrants@usdoj.gov)  
with questions or feedback



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# Additional Information & Resources

- [OJP.gov](https://www.ojp.gov)
- OJP Funding Opportunities:  
<https://www.ojp.gov/funding/explore/current-funding-opportunities>
- FY 2021 OJP Grant Awards:  
<https://www.ojp.gov/funding/fy21-ojp-grant-awards>

# Questions?

