## STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA APPLICATION FOR FY2022 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) PROGRAM

## **SAA Responsibilities**

In each state and territory, the Governor or other Chief Executive Officer designates an agency (the State Administering Agency or SAA) to apply for and administer these funds. In South Dakota, the Governor has designated the Secretary of the South Dakota Department of Public Safety as the SAA. The point of contact is the Internal Control/Grant Specialist of the Department of Public Safety.

The SAA and Point of Contact are responsible for:

- Coordinating JAG funds among state and local justice initiatives.
- Preparing and submitting the state JAG application.
- Coordinating efforts to develop a strategic plan to guide JAG spending under this appropriation.
- Administering JAG funds including establishing funding priorities, distributing funds, monitoring subrecipients' compliance with all JAG special conditions and provisions, and providing ongoing assistance to subrecipients.
- Complying with all reporting requirements as described in the Reporting Requirements:
  - Once an award is accepted, SAAs must submit quarterly financial status (SF-425) and annual programmatic reports through JustGrants, quarterly performance metrics reports through BJA's Performance Measurement Tool (PMT), and Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act

(FFATA) reports through the FFATA Sub-award Reporting System (FSRS) as necessary.

- Ensuring that subgrantees are aware of and in compliance with all programmatic and financial rules through the usage of special conditions and subgrantee monitoring.
- Passing through a pre-determined percentage of funds to local jurisdictions as
  well as administering the pass-through of funds from "less than \$10,000
  jurisdictions" to the state police and/or jurisdictions that were not eligible for a
  direct award.

## **Purpose Areas**

JAG funds may be used for state and local initiatives, technical assistance, strategic planning, research and evaluation (including forensics), data collection, training, personnel, equipment, forensic laboratories, supplies, contractual support, and criminal justice information systems that will improve or enhance such areas as:

- Law enforcement programs
- Prosecution and court programs
- Prevention and education programs
- Corrections and community corrections programs
- Drug treatment and enforcement programs
- Planning, evaluation, and technology improvement programs
- Crime victim and witness programs (other than compensation)
- Mental health programs and related law enforcement and corrections programs, including behavioral programs and crisis intervention teams.

## **Program Narrative**

JAG funds available to South Dakota will be used to continue to fund state and local initiatives in the following priority purpose areas: law enforcement; prosecution and court; and corrections and community corrections programs. The need has been determined from a historical basis of what has been funded in the past, the annual state budgeting process, and available funds. The funds are used in the following areas:

## LAW ENFORCEMENT

The State Multi-Jurisdictional Drug Task Force Program provides one of the means for effective targeting and sharing of personnel, time, equipment, and intelligence information. This Drug Task Force Program is the highest priority for continued funding to provide support to local jurisdictions.

The South Dakota Highway Patrol is a statewide law enforcement agency that focuses on public safety. The funding is used to cover law enforcement equipment and/or specialized training equipment that is not budgeted for in their current budget. These funds also cover training for uniform members to enhance the law enforcement operations that have been established.

## PROSECUTION AND COURT

The workload of some local prosecutors has been lessened through the establishment of the Attorney General's Statewide Drug Prosecution Program.

The goal of the Statewide Drug Prosecution Program is to enhance enforcement and prosecution efforts in their assistance to State and local law enforcement agencies while bringing the full impact of State law to bear on specifically

targeted narcotics trafficking conspiracies and offenders. Emphasis is placed on a formal mechanism whereby investigative and prosecutorial resources can be allocated, focused, and managed against targeted drug traffickers. Continuation of this program will provide the means to place prosecutors in specific geographic areas, and offer training to increase the effectiveness of prosecution.

#### CORRECTIONS AND COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

The funding is used for pilot programs that improve public safety by investing in programs, practice and policies that show improved rehabilitation and reduce repeat offenders, hold offenders accountable by strengthening community supervision and reduce corrections spending by focusing prison space on violent, chronic, and career criminals.

Local input is solicited for JAG through the Notice of Application Review process. Other stakeholders in the JAG planning process include the SD Department of Public Safety, Office of Attorney General Division of Criminal Investigation, and SD Department of Corrections. The Secretary of Department of Public Safety (SAA), and the Secretary of Department of Corrections are all part of the Governor's Cabinet which lends the opportunity to coordinate criminal justice/juvenile justice efforts.

Subgrant recipients will abide by all reporting, monitoring and evaluation requirements of the State Administrative Agency (SAA). Reports of program activities, project status, and progress in meeting stated goals and objectives will be submitted as required by the SAA. The SAA will submit quarterly financial status reports and an

annual programmatic report through the OJP Just Grants system. In addition, there are JAG Programmatic Measures required. They are customized dependent on activity type within each purpose area. Grantees and subgrantees will report on performance measures for only those activities funded by JAG. These programmatic measures will be collected quarterly 30 days after the end of the quarter in the BJA online Performance Measurement Tool (PMT)

#### DEATH IN CUSTODY REPORTING ACT (DCRA)

Due to the Death in Custody Reporting Act (DCRA) of 2013, South Dakota is currently gathering information on any death in custody that occurs in our State Correctional Facilities as well as our Highway Patrol Department. South Dakota does not directly fund many counties with our Byrne Jag funds. However, when an award is granted to any local or tribal institutions, death in custody information is a reporting requirement of the award conditions. Each death reported is required to have the following information:

- The decedent's name, date of birth, gender, race, and ethnicity
- The date, time, and location of the death
- The law enforcement or correctional agency involved
- Manner of death
- Description of the circumstances leading to the death

This information is requested and reported in the PMT system quarterly. For cases that remain under investigation the "manner of death" is reported as "unavailable, investigation pending" and the state will specify when it anticipates to obtain the information. Once information is available the state will update the report in PMT.

# Budget Worksheet and Budget Narrative State of South Dakota FY22 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program

FY22 State JAG Allocation Summary:

Administration Maximum 10% \$ 103,052 Final Required Variable Passthrough \$ 419,192 Less than \$10,000 Allocation \$ 141,158 Remaining Calculation \$ 367,115

Total Award \$1,030,517

Categories	Salaries/ Benefits	Travel	Contractual	Supplies	Equipment	Allocation	Total
DPS Admin.			5,000.00				5,000.00
<b>Drug Task Force</b>		114,000.00	334,337.43				448,337.43
Prosecutors			62,987.57				62,987.57
<b>Highway Patrol</b>				95,000.00			95,000.00
<b>Local Projects</b>						419,192.00	419,192.00
Total	-	114,000.00	391,808.04	95,000.00	-	419,192.00	1,030,517.00

## Administration: \$5,000

These funds will be used for the accountants and grant manager to process quarterly reports, training/conference travel, monitoring visit travel, NCJA membership fees, misc. contractual fees and general office supplies.

### Drug Task Force/Drug Prosecution Unit: \$511,325

Funds are used as a direct benefit to the local units of government by funding the operating expenses of the Drug Task Force agents and the Drug Prosecution Unit. The funding includes travel costs that cover drug related travels and motor pool expenses; contractual services cover costs for computer billings, health labdrug tests, rents and legal document fees; supplies include general office supplies; indirect costs are based on the current federally approved rate.

## SD Highway Patrol: \$95,000

Funds will be used to cover law enforcement equipment and/or specialized training equipment that is not budgeted for in their current budget. These funds will also cover training for uniform members to enhance the law enforcement operations that have been established.

## Local Project Allocation: \$419,192

Funds will be used for projects that will be later identified.

Budget Narrative updated 8/13/24