

FY 2009 Methamphetamine Precursor Tracking Training and Technical Assistance Program Funding Results

Scope of Program:

The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) is pleased to announce the release of funding results for the FY2009 Methamphetamine Precursor Tracking Training and Technical Assistance Program solicitation. The purpose of this program is to support states in their efforts to set up methamphetamine precursor tracking systems and to encourage and support planning for interconnectivity between state systems. The solicitation for funding was released on May 28, 2009 and closed on June 23, 2009. Applicants were limited to for-profit (commercial) organizations, nonprofit organizations, faith-based and community organizations, and institutions of higher learning.

Review Process:

BJA is committed to ensuring a fair and consistent process for awarding grants. BJA reviews applications to make sure that the information presented is reasonable, understandable, measurable, and achievable, as well as consistent with program and legislative requirements as stated in the solicitation. Applications are initially screened to determine whether the applicants meet all eligibility requirements. Only applications submitted by eligible applicants that meet all other requirements (such as timeliness, proper format, and responsiveness to the scope of the solicitation) will be evaluated, scored, and rated by a peer review panel. A peer reviewer is an expert in the field of the subject matter of a given solicitation. Peer reviewers' ratings and any resulting recommendations are advisory only. In addition to peer review ratings, considerations may include, but are not limited to, underserved populations, geographic and topical diversity, strategic priorities, past performance, fiscal integrity and financial capability of applicants, and available funding. Absent explicit statutory authorization or written delegation of authority to the contrary, all final grant award decisions will be made by the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Justice Programs.

Funding Sought and Awarded:

BJA received three applications for this solicitation. BJA made one award of \$500,000 to the Institute for Intergovernmental Research (IIR) to: 1) provide proactive, comprehensive, user-friendly training and technical assistance (TTA) services; 2) administer federal funds including pass-through or subcontract arrangements; 3) develop uniform protocols for the assessment and delivery of TTA, as well as tracking, evaluation, and follow-up; 4) use TTA strategies that include developing tools and resources for grantees, such as distance learning, peer-to-peer consultations, onsite technical assistance, and ongoing technical assistance by phone and e-mail; and 5) plan and host national meetings.

Feedback and Technical Assistance for Unfunded Applicants:

Applicants who did not get funding under the solicitation will receive written notification. The email will include written comments from the peer reviewers about the applicant's submission, if the applicant was eligible and submitted a responsive application. These comments will be sent to the Authorized Representative on the application. If your organization does not receive the comments, contact BJA at AskBJA@usdoj.gov.

Solicitation	Grantee	State	Award Amount
Methamphetamine Precursor Chemical Diversion Training and Technical Assistance Program	Institute for Intergovernmental Research	FL	\$500,000.00
Awards: 1	Total Funding:		\$500,000.00