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OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS AWARDS NEARLY \$83 MILLION TO PROTECT CHILDREN AND INCREASE PUBLIC SAFETY

WASHINGTON – The Office of Justice Programs today announced awards of \$82.6 million in Fiscal Year 2017 grant funding to support state, local and tribal jurisdictions’ efforts to protect children and respond to juvenile victimization.

OJP’s Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention have awarded grants to more than 170 sites, jurisdictions and task forces throughout the United States. The funds will help communities find missing children, provide tailored treatment and rehabilitative services, and increase public safety, according to OJJDP Acting Administrator Eileen M. Garry.

“Having a safe space for our children is a hallmark of civil society and one of the most important steps we can take toward ensuring public safety,” said Garry. “These awards will give our state, local and tribal partners the tools and support they need to protect kids, find missing children, combat abuse and exploitation and serve victims of child maltreatment.”

Of the \$82.6 million awarded, more than \$34.4 million will support missing and exploited children programs and services; \$27.6 million will help combat and prevent internet crimes against children; more than \$19.5 million will fund services for victims of child abuse; and \$1.1 million will support communities’ response to youth sexual misconduct.

The amounts above include a total of \$12.6 million for academic, non-profit, research and health organizations and corporations to conduct training and technical assistance with first responders and others who come into frequent contact with juvenile offenders, victims, patients and their families.

For a complete list of individual grant programs, amounts to be awarded, and the jurisdictions that will receive funding, visit <https://go.usa.gov/xnced>.

Additional information about Fiscal Year 2017 grant awards made by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention can be found online at <https://go.usa.gov/xnqk5>. To receive similar OJP-related news, join our distribution list online [here](#).

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