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**An Overview of The Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (Byrne JAG) Program**

**What is the Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (Byrne JAG)?**

The Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (Byrne JAG) is a federal criminal justice grant that helps states/territories, tribal nations and local governments meet identified needs and improve the administration of justice.

The existence of the Byrne JAG grant, including the amount each state/territory receives and the types of programs that can be funded, are outlined in federal law. The grant itself is provided to [insert agency name] through the US Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA). The amount we receive is calculated by a [congressionally determined formula](https://www.ncja.org/_files/ugd/cda224_035e59494a694e9d83e62f670cb868e4.pdf) which analyzes our [insert the word “state’s” or “territory’s”] population and rate of violent crime. Importantly, local governments (think cities), of a certain size will apply directly for Byrne JAG through BJA. If you aren’t sure if this applies to your jurisdiction, reach out to us and we can let you know!

**What Do We Fund Through Byrne JAG?**

Byrne JAG has nine broad program areas through which most criminal justice needs can be met. [insert agency name] currently funds programming for law enforcement; prosecution and courts (including public defense); prevention and education; corrections, community corrections and reentry; drug treatment and enforcement; planning, evaluation and technology improvement; crime victim and witness programs (not including victims’ compensation programs); mental health and related law enforcement and corrections programs, including behavioral health and crisis intervention teams; and implementation of state crisis intervention court proceedings and related programs or initiatives.