

PUBLIC SAFETY & CRIMINAL JUSTICE

The following information about funding included in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 was compiled by the Office of Congressman Silvestre Reyes. This document is intended to provide the public with basic information of potential federal assistance and funding opportunities. Those interested in these or similar programs should contact the appropriate federal and state agencies for detailed information. Please note: Not all applicable programs are included below; the following information is subject to change; and additional requirements, restrictions and guidance may apply.

Grant: **State Fiscal Stabilization Fund**
Amount: \$53.6 billion
Type: States will receive formula funding
Administrators: State Governors
Description: To provide fiscal relief to the States to prevent tax increases and cutbacks in critical education and other services.
Website: <http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/index.html>
State Funding
Amounts: <http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/statetables/09arrastatetables.pdf>
State Recovery Sites: <http://www.recovery.gov/?q=content/state-recovery-page>

Grant: **Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program**
Amount: \$210 million
Agency: Department of Homeland Security - Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)
Type: Competitive grant
Purposes: To provide assistance for communities to modify, upgrade or construct state and local fire stations.
Website: www.firegrantsupport.com/AFG/

Grant: **Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grants**
Agency: \$2 billion
Administrator: Department of Justice - Bureau of Justice Assistance
Type: Formula funding to state and local police forces
Description: Funds to help states and local governments support activities to prevent and control crime and improve the criminal justice system enforcement.
Website: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html>
Allocations: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryJAG/recoveryallocations.html>

Grant: **Byrne Competitive Grants Program**
Amount: \$225 million
Agency: Department of Justice - Office of Justice Assistance
Type: Competitive grants
Description: Funds to help states and local governments support activities to prevent and control crime and improve the criminal justice system enforcement.
Deadline: Application due by 4/27/2009
Website: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html>

Grant: **Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Hiring Grants**
Agency: \$1 billion
Office: Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS)
Agency: Department of Justice

Type: Competitive grant
Description: For hiring and rehiring of additional career law enforcement officers
Deadline: Application deadline closes 4/14/2009; must be allocated by 9/30/2009
Website: <http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/default.asp?Item=2108>
Eligibility: <http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/chrp/eligibilityanony.aspx>

Grant: STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program
Amount: \$175 million- Texas will receive \$9 million
Agency: Department of Justice- Office on Violence Against Women
Type: Formula funding to state agency
Description: STOP formula grants are intended for use by states and territories; state, local and tribal courts (including juvenile courts); Indian tribal governments; local governments; and nonprofit, nongovernment victim services programs. Recipients are required to meet one or more of 14 statutory purpose areas. These areas include, but are not limited to: training law enforcement officers, judges, court personnel and prosecutors; developing, enlarging, or strengthening victim services programs; developing, installing or expanding data collection; and developing, enlarging, or strengthening programs addressing stalking.
Website: http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/stop_grant_desc.htm

Grant: Transitional Housing Assistance Program
Amount: \$50 million
Agency: Department of Justice - Transitional Housing Assistance Program
Type: Competitive Grants to states, local government, Indian Tribes, nonprofits and services providers.
Description: May be used for transitional housing, short-term housing assistance, support services designed to enable individuals who are fleeing domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking to locate and secure permanent housing and integrate into a community by providing those individuals with services such as transportation, counseling, child care services, case management, employment counseling, and other assistance.
Website: http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/thousing_grant_desc.htm

Grant: Victims Compensation
Amount: \$100 million
Agency: Department of Justice - Office for Victims of Crime
Type: Formula funding to state agencies
Description: Funding to support State compensation and assistance programs for victims and survivors of federal and state crimes.
Website: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ovc/fund/Recoveryfunds.html>
Application: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ovc/fund/Recoveryformula.html>

Grant: Rural Law Enforcement
Amount: \$125 millions
Agency: Department of Justice - Office of Justice Assistance
Type: Competitive grants
Description: The funding is for grants to combat drug-related crime and other law enforcement activities in rural America.

Deadline: Application due 4/22/2009
Website: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html>

Grant: Assistance for Tribal Law Enforcement
Amount: \$225 million
Agency: Department of Justice - Office of Justice Assistance
Type: Competitive grants
Description: The funding is for grants to construct jails and other law enforcement activities on tribal lands.
Website: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html>

Grant: Assistance for Law Enforcement along the Southern Border and in High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA)
Amount: \$40 million
Agency: Department of Justice - Office of Justice Assistance
Type: Competitive grants
Description: The funding is for grants to combat drug-related crime and other law enforcement activities along the Southern Border.
Website: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html>

Grant: Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force Program
Amount: \$50 million
Agency: Department of Justice - Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention
Type: Formula funding to state agency
Description: Funds to help state and local law enforcement agencies enhance investigative responses to offenders who use the Internet to sexually exploit children.
Website: <http://ojjdp.ncjrs.gov/recoveryact.html>