



**U.S. Department of Justice**

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Office of the Assistant Attorney General

*Washington, D.C. 20531*

June 26, 2018

Chief James J. Mendonca  
City Of Central Falls  
580 Broad Street  
Central Falls, RI 02863-1216

Dear Chief Mendonca:

On behalf of Attorney General Jefferson Sessions III, it is my pleasure to inform you that the Office of Justice Programs has approved your application for funding under the FY 17 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - Local Solicitation in the amount of \$28,677 for City Of Central Falls.

Enclosed you will find the Grant Award and Special Conditions documents. This award is subject to all administrative and financial requirements, including the timely submission of all financial and programmatic reports, resolution of all interim audit findings, and the maintenance of a minimum level of cash-on-hand. Should you not adhere to these requirements, you will be in violation of the terms of this agreement and the award will be subject to termination for cause or other administrative action as appropriate.

If you have questions regarding this award, please contact:

- Program Questions, Antonio H. Tovar, Program Manager at (202) 598-7424; and
- Financial Questions, the Office of the Chief Financial Officer, Customer Service Center (CSC) at (800) 458-0786, or you may contact the CSC at [ask.ocfo@usdoj.gov](mailto:ask.ocfo@usdoj.gov).

Congratulations, and we look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alan R. Hanson". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Alan R. Hanson  
Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General

Enclosures



## OFFICE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS

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Dear Chief Mendonca:

Congratulations on your recent award. In establishing financial assistance programs, Congress linked the receipt of federal funding to compliance with federal civil rights laws. The Office for Civil Rights (OCR), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) is responsible for ensuring that recipients of financial assistance from the OJP, the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), and the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) comply with the applicable federal civil rights laws. We at the OCR are available to help you and your organization meet the civil rights requirements that come with DOJ funding.

### **Ensuring Access to Federally Assisted Programs**

Federal laws that apply to recipients of financial assistance from the DOJ prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, or disability in funded programs or activities, not only in employment but also in the delivery of services or benefits. A federal law also prohibits recipients from discriminating on the basis of age in the delivery of services or benefits.

In March of 2013, President Obama signed the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013. The statute amends the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (VAWA) by including a nondiscrimination grant condition that prohibits discrimination based on actual or perceived race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability, sexual orientation, or gender identity. The new nondiscrimination grant condition applies to certain programs funded after October 1, 2013. The OCR and the OVW have developed answers to some frequently asked questions about this provision to assist recipients of VAWA funds to understand their obligations. The Frequently Asked Questions are available at <http://ojp.gov/about/ocr/vawafaqs.htm>.

### **Enforcing Civil Rights Laws**

All recipients of federal financial assistance, regardless of the particular funding source, the amount of the grant award, or the number of employees in the workforce, are subject to prohibitions against unlawful discrimination. Accordingly, the OCR investigates recipients that are the subject of discrimination complaints from both individuals and groups. In addition, based on regulatory criteria, the OCR selects a number of recipients each year for compliance reviews, audits that require recipients to submit data showing that they are providing services equitably to all segments of their service population and that their employment practices meet equal opportunity standards.

### **Providing Services to Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Individuals**

In accordance with DOJ guidance pertaining to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d, recipients of federal financial assistance must take reasonable steps to provide meaningful access to their programs and activities for persons with limited English proficiency (LEP). See U.S. Department of Justice, Guidance to Federal Financial Assistance Recipients Regarding Title VI Prohibition Against National Origin Discrimination Affecting Limited English Proficient Persons, 67 Fed. Reg. 41,455 (2002). For more information on the civil rights responsibilities that recipients have in providing language services to LEP individuals, please see the website <http://www.lep.gov>.

### **Ensuring Equal Treatment for Faith-Based Organizations**

The DOJ regulation, Equal Treatment for Faith-Based Organizations, 28 C.F.R. pt. 38, requires State Administering Agencies (SAAs) to treat faith-based organizations the same as any other applicant or recipient. The regulation prohibits SAAs from making awards or grant administration decisions on the basis of an organization's religious character or affiliation, religious name, or the religious composition of its board of directors.

The regulation also prohibits faith-based organizations from using financial assistance from the DOJ to fund inherently (or explicitly) religious activities. While faith-based organizations can engage in non-funded inherently religious activities, they must hold them separately from the program funded by the DOJ, and recipients cannot compel beneficiaries to participate in them. The Equal Treatment Regulation also makes clear that organizations participating in programs funded by the DOJ are not permitted to discriminate in the provision of services on the basis of a beneficiary's religion. For more information on the regulation, please see the OCR's website at [http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/about/ocr/equal\\_fbo.htm](http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/about/ocr/equal_fbo.htm).

SAAs and faith-based organizations should also note that the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act (Safe Streets Act) of 1968, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 3789d(c); the Victims of Crime Act of 1984, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 10604(e); the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 5672(b); and VAWA, Pub. L. No. 113-4, sec. 3(b)(4), 127 Stat. 54, 61-62 (to be codified at 42 U.S.C. § 13925(b)(13)) contain prohibitions against discrimination on the basis of religion in employment. Despite these nondiscrimination provisions, the DOJ has concluded that it may construe the Religious Freedom Restoration Act (RFRA) on a case-by-case basis to permit some faith-based organizations to receive DOJ funds while taking into account religion when hiring staff, even if the statute that authorizes the funding program generally forbids recipients from considering religion in employment decisions. Please consult with the OCR if you have any questions about the regulation or the application of RFRA to the statutes that prohibit discrimination in employment.

### **Using Arrest and Conviction Records in Making Employment Decisions**

The OCR issued an advisory document for recipients on the proper use of arrest and conviction records in making hiring decisions. See Advisory for Recipients of Financial Assistance from the U.S. Department of Justice on the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's Enforcement Guidance: Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (June 2013), available at [http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/about/ocr/pdfs/UseofConviction\\_Advisory.pdf](http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/about/ocr/pdfs/UseofConviction_Advisory.pdf). Recipients should be mindful that the misuse of arrest or conviction records to screen either applicants for employment or employees for retention or promotion may have a disparate impact based on race or national origin, resulting in unlawful employment discrimination. In light of the Advisory, recipients should consult local counsel in reviewing their employment practices. If warranted, recipients should also incorporate an analysis of the use of arrest and conviction records in their Equal Employment Opportunity Plans (EEOs) (see below).

### **Complying with the Safe Streets Act**

An organization that is a recipient of financial assistance subject to the nondiscrimination provisions of the Safe Streets Act, must meet two obligations: (1) complying with the federal regulation pertaining to the development of an EEO (see 28 C.F.R. pt. 42, subpt. E) and (2) submitting to the OCR findings of discrimination (see 28 C.F.R. §§ 42.204(c), 205(c)(5)).

### **Meeting the EEOP Requirement**

If your organization has less than fifty employees or receives an award of less than \$25,000 or is a nonprofit organization, a medical institution, an educational institution, or an Indian tribe, then it is exempt from the EEOP requirement. To claim the exemption, your organization must complete and submit Section A of the Certification Form, which is available online at <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/about/ocr/pdfs/cert.pdf>.

If your organization is a government agency or private business and receives an award of \$25,000 or more, but less than \$500,000, and has fifty or more employees (counting both full- and part-time employees but excluding political appointees), then it has to prepare a Utilization Report (formerly called an EEOP Short Form), but it does not have to submit the report to the OCR for review. Instead, your organization has to maintain the Utilization Report on file and make it available for review on request. In addition, your organization has to complete Section B of the Certification Form and return it to the OCR. The Certification Form is available at <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/about/ocr/pdfs/cert.pdf>.

If your organization is a government agency or private business and has received an award for \$500,000 or more and has fifty or more employees (counting both full- and part-time employees but excluding political appointees), then it has to prepare a Utilization Report (formerly called an EEOP Short Form) and submit it to the OCR for review within sixty days from the date of this letter. For assistance in developing a Utilization Report, please consult the OCR's website at <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/about/ocr/eeop.htm>. In addition, your organization has to complete Section C of the Certification Form and return it to the OCR. The Certification Form is available at <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/about/ocr/pdfs/cert.pdf>.

To comply with the EEOP requirements, you may request technical assistance from an EEOP specialist at the OCR by telephone at (202) 307-0690, by TTY at (202) 307-2027, or by e-mail at [EEOsubmission@usdoj.gov](mailto:EEOsubmission@usdoj.gov).

### **Meeting the Requirement to Submit Findings of Discrimination**

If in the three years prior to the date of the grant award, your organization has received an adverse finding of discrimination based on race, color, national origin, religion, or sex, after a due-process hearing, from a state or federal court or from a state or federal administrative agency, your organization must send a copy of the finding to the OCR.

### **Ensuring the Compliance of Subrecipients**

SAs must have standard assurances to notify subrecipients of their civil rights obligations, written procedures to address discrimination complaints filed against subrecipients, methods to monitor subrecipients' compliance with civil rights requirements, and a program to train subrecipients on applicable civil rights laws. In addition, SAs must submit to the OCR every three years written Methods of Administration (MOA) that summarize the policies and procedures that they have implemented to ensure the civil rights compliance of subrecipients. For more information on the MOA requirement, see [http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/funding/other\\_requirements.htm](http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/funding/other_requirements.htm).

If the OCR can assist you in any way in fulfilling your organization's civil rights responsibilities as a recipient of federal financial assistance, please contact us.

Sincerely,



Michael L. Alston  
Director

cc: Grant Manager  
Financial Analyst



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1. RECIPIENT NAME AND ADDRESS (Including Zip Code) City Of Central Falls 580 Broad Street Central Falls, RI 02863-1216	4. AWARD NUMBER: 2017-DJ-BX-0951	
	5. PROJECT PERIOD: FROM 10/01/2016 TO 09/30/2020	
	BUDGET PERIOD: FROM 10/01/2016 TO 09/30/2020	
2a. GRANTEE IRS/VENDOR NO. 056000063	6. AWARD DATE 06/26/2018	7. ACTION Initial
2b. GRANTEE DUNS NO. 089357636	8. SUPPLEMENT NUMBER 00	
3. PROJECT TITLE Upgrades to Remote Access Location and Security	9. PREVIOUS AWARD AMOUNT	\$ 0
	10. AMOUNT OF THIS AWARD	\$ 28,677
	11. TOTAL AWARD	\$ 28,677

12. SPECIAL CONDITIONS  
THE ABOVE GRANT PROJECT IS APPROVED SUBJECT TO SUCH CONDITIONS OR LIMITATIONS AS ARE SET FORTH ON THE ATTACHED PAGE(S).

13. STATUTORY AUTHORITY FOR GRANT  
This project is supported under FY17(BJA - JAG State and JAG Local) Title I of Pub. L. No. 90-351 (generally codified at 42 U.S.C. 3711 - 3797ff-5), including subpart 1 of part E (codified at 42 U.S.C. 3750 - 3758); see also 28 U.S.C. 530C(a).

14. CATALOG OF DOMESTIC FEDERAL ASSISTANCE (CFDA Number)  
16.738 - Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program

15. METHOD OF PAYMENT  
GPRS

AGENCY APPROVAL	GRANTEE ACCEPTANCE	
16. TYPED NAME AND TITLE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL Alan R. Hanson Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General	18. TYPED NAME AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED GRANTEE OFFICIAL <del>James J. Mendonca</del> <b>JAMES DIOSSA</b> <del>Chief</del> <b>MAYOR</b>	
17. SIGNATURE OF APPROVING OFFICIAL 	19. SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED RECIPIENT OFFICIAL 	19A. DATE 9/16/19

AGENCY USE ONLY									
20. ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION CODES								21. SDJUGT1407	
FISCAL YEAR	FUND CODE	BUD. ACT.	DIV. OFC.	REG.	SUB.	POMS	AMOUNT		
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Barbara J Addison  
Director of Finance

Approved as to form and correctness:

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1. Requirements of the award; remedies for non-compliance or for materially false statements

The conditions of this award are material requirements of the award. Compliance with any certifications or assurances submitted by or on behalf of the recipient that relate to conduct during the period of performance also is a material requirement of this award.

Failure to comply with any one or more of these award requirements -- whether a condition set out in full below, a condition incorporated by reference below, or a certification or assurance related to conduct during the award period -- may result in the Office of Justice Programs ("OJP") taking appropriate action with respect to the recipient and the award. Among other things, the OJP may withhold award funds, disallow costs, or suspend or terminate the award. The Department of Justice ("DOJ"), including OJP, also may take other legal action as appropriate.

Any materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement to the federal government related to this award (or concealment or omission of a material fact) may be the subject of criminal prosecution (including under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and/or 1621, and/or 42 U.S.C. 3795a), and also may lead to imposition of civil penalties and administrative remedies for false claims or otherwise (including under 31 U.S.C. 3729-3730 and 3801-3812).

Should any provision of a requirement of this award be held to be invalid or unenforceable by its terms, that provision shall first be applied with a limited construction so as to give it the maximum effect permitted by law. Should it be held, instead, that the provision is utterly invalid or -unenforceable, such provision shall be deemed severable from this award.

2. Applicability of Part 200 Uniform Requirements

The Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements in 2 C.F.R. Part 200, as adopted and supplemented by DOJ in 2 C.F.R. Part 2800 (together, the "Part 200 Uniform Requirements") apply to this FY 2017 award from OJP.

The Part 200 Uniform Requirements were first adopted by DOJ on December 26, 2014. If this FY 2017 award supplements funds previously awarded by OJP under the same award number (e.g., funds awarded during or before December 2014), the Part 200 Uniform Requirements apply with respect to all funds under that award number (regardless of the award date, and regardless of whether derived from the initial award or a supplemental award) that are obligated on or after the acceptance date of this FY 2017 award.

For more information and resources on the Part 200 Uniform Requirements as they relate to OJP awards and subawards ("subgrants"), see the OJP website at <https://ojp.gov/funding/Part200UniformRequirements.htm>.

In the event that an award-related question arises from documents or other materials prepared or distributed by OJP that may appear to conflict with, or differ in some way from, the provisions of the Part 200 Uniform Requirements, the recipient is to contact OJP promptly for clarification.

3. Compliance with DOJ Grants Financial Guide

The recipient agrees to comply with the DOJ Grants Financial Guide as posted on the OJP website (currently, the "2015 DOJ Grants Financial Guide" available at <https://ojp.gov/financialguide/DOJ/index.htm>), including any updated version that may be posted during the period of performance.



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4. Required training for Point of Contact and all Financial Points of Contact

Both the Point of Contact (POC) and all Financial Points of Contact (FPOCs) for this award must have successfully completed an "OJP financial management and grant administration training" by 120 days after the date of the recipient's acceptance of the award. Successful completion of such a training on or after January 1, 2015, will satisfy this condition.

In the event that either the POC or an FPOC for this award changes during the period of performance, the new POC or FPOC must have successfully completed an "OJP financial management and grant administration training" by 120 calendar days after-- (1) the date of OJP's approval of the "Change Grantee Contact" GAN (in the case of a new POC), or (2) the date the POC enters information on the new FPOC in GMS (in the case of a new FPOC). Successful completion of such a training on or after January 1, 2015, will satisfy this condition.

A list of OJP trainings that OJP will consider "OJP financial management and grant administration training" for purposes of this condition is available at <https://www.ojp.gov/training/fmts.htm>. All trainings that satisfy this condition include a session on grant fraud prevention and detection.

The recipient should anticipate that OJP will immediately withhold ("freeze") award funds if the recipient fails to comply with this condition. The recipient's failure to comply also may lead OJP to impose additional appropriate conditions on this award.

5. Requirements related to "de minimis" indirect cost rate

A recipient that is eligible under the Part 200 Uniform Requirements and other applicable law to use the "de minimis" indirect cost rate described in 2 C.F.R. 200.414(f), and that elects to use the "de minimis" indirect cost rate, must advise OJP in writing of both its eligibility and its election, and must comply with all associated requirements in the Part 200 Uniform Requirements. The "de minimis" rate may be applied only to modified total direct costs (MTDC) as defined by the Part 200 Uniform Requirements.

6. Requirement to report potentially duplicative funding

If the recipient currently has other active awards of federal funds, or if the recipient receives any other award of federal funds during the period of performance for this award, the recipient promptly must determine whether funds from any of those other federal awards have been, are being, or are to be used (in whole or in part) for one or more of the identical cost items for which funds are provided under this award. If so, the recipient must promptly notify the DOJ awarding agency (OJP or OVW, as appropriate) in writing of the potential duplication, and, if so requested by the DOJ awarding agency, must seek a budget-modification or change-of-project-scope grant adjustment notice (GAN) to eliminate any inappropriate duplication of funding.



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7. Requirements related to System for Award Management and Universal Identifier Requirements

The recipient must comply with applicable requirements regarding the System for Award Management (SAM), currently accessible at <https://www.sam.gov/>. This includes applicable requirements regarding registration with SAM, as well as maintaining the currency of information in SAM.

The recipient also must comply with applicable restrictions on subawards ("subgrants") to first-tier subrecipients (first-tier "subgrantees"), including restrictions on subawards to entities that do not acquire and provide (to the recipient) the unique entity identifier required for SAM registration.

The details of the recipient's obligations related to SAM and to unique entity identifiers are posted on the OJP web site at <https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/SAM.htm> (Award condition: System for Award Management (SAM) and Universal Identifier Requirements), and are incorporated by reference here.

This condition does not apply to an award to an individual who received the award as a natural person (i.e., unrelated to any business or non-profit organization that he or she may own or operate in his or her name).

8. All subawards ("subgrants") must have specific federal authorization

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable requirements for authorization of any subaward. This condition applies to agreements that -- for purposes of federal grants administrative requirements -- OJP considers a "subaward" (and therefore does not consider a procurement "contract").

The details of the requirement for authorization of any subaward are posted on the OJP web site at <https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/SubawardAuthorization.htm> (Award condition: All subawards ("subgrants") must have specific federal authorization), and are incorporated by reference here.

9. Specific post-award approval required to use a noncompetitive approach in any procurement contract that would exceed \$150,000

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable requirements to obtain specific advance approval to use a noncompetitive approach in any procurement contract that would exceed the Simplified Acquisition Threshold (currently, \$150,000). This condition applies to agreements that -- for purposes of federal grants administrative requirements -- OJP considers a procurement "contract" (and therefore does not consider a subaward).

The details of the requirement for advance approval to use a noncompetitive approach in a procurement contract under an OJP award are posted on the OJP web site at <https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/NoncompetitiveProcurement.htm> (Award condition: Specific post-award approval required to use a noncompetitive approach in a procurement contract (if contract would exceed \$150,000)), and are incorporated by reference here.





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10. Requirements pertaining to prohibited conduct related to trafficking in persons (including reporting requirements and OJP authority to terminate award)

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable requirements (including requirements to report allegations) pertaining to prohibited conduct related to the trafficking of persons, whether on the part of recipients, subrecipients ("subgrantees"), or individuals defined (for purposes of this condition) as "employees" of the recipient or of any subrecipient.

The details of the recipient's obligations related to prohibited conduct related to trafficking in persons are posted on the OJP web site at <https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/ProhibitedConduct-Trafficking.htm> (Award condition: Prohibited conduct by recipients and subrecipients related to trafficking in persons (including reporting requirements and OJP authority to terminate award)), and are incorporated by reference here.

11. Compliance with applicable rules regarding approval, planning, and reporting of conferences, meetings, trainings, and other events

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable laws, regulations, policies, and official DOJ guidance (including specific cost limits, prior approval and reporting requirements, where applicable) governing the use of federal funds for expenses related to conferences (as that term is defined by DOJ), including the provision of food and/or beverages at such conferences, and costs of attendance at such conferences.

Information on the pertinent DOJ definition of conferences and the rules applicable to this award appears in the DOJ Grants Financial Guide (currently, as section 3.10 of "Postaward Requirements" in the "2015 DOJ Grants Financial Guide").

12. Requirement for data on performance and effectiveness under the award

The recipient must collect and maintain data that measure the performance and effectiveness of work under this award. The data must be provided to OJP in the manner (including within the timeframes) specified by OJP in the program solicitation or other applicable written guidance. Data collection supports compliance with the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) and the GPRA Modernization Act of 2010, and other applicable laws.

13. OJP Training Guiding Principles

Any training or training materials that the recipient -- or any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier -- develops or delivers with OJP award funds must adhere to the OJP Training Guiding Principles for Grantees and Subgrantees, available at <https://ojp.gov/funding/ojptrainingguidingprinciples.htm>.

14. Effect of failure to address audit issues

The recipient understands and agrees that the DOJ awarding agency (OJP or OVW, as appropriate) may withhold award funds, or may impose other related requirements, if (as determined by the DOJ awarding agency) the recipient does not satisfactorily and promptly address outstanding issues from audits required by the Part 200 Uniform Requirements (or by the terms of this award), or other outstanding issues that arise in connection with audits, investigations, or reviews of DOJ awards.

15. Potential imposition of additional requirements

The recipient agrees to comply with any additional requirements that may be imposed by the DOJ awarding agency (OJP or OVW, as appropriate) during the period of performance for this award, if the recipient is designated as "high-risk" for purposes of the DOJ high-risk grantee list.



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16. Compliance with DOJ regulations pertaining to civil rights and nondiscrimination - 28 C.F.R. Part 42

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable requirements of 28 C.F.R. Part 42, specifically including any applicable requirements in Subpart E of 28 C.F.R. Part 42 that relate to an equal employment opportunity program.

17. Compliance with DOJ regulations pertaining to civil rights and nondiscrimination - 28 C.F.R. Part 54

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable requirements of 28 C.F.R. Part 54, which relates to nondiscrimination on the basis of sex in certain "education programs."

18. Compliance with DOJ regulations pertaining to civil rights and nondiscrimination - 28 C.F.R. Part 38

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable requirements of 28 C.F.R. Part 38, specifically including any applicable requirements regarding written notice to program beneficiaries and prospective program beneficiaries. Part 38 of 28 C.F.R., a DOJ regulation, was amended effective May 4, 2016.

Among other things, 28 C.F.R. Part 38 includes rules that prohibit specific forms of discrimination on the basis of religion, a religious belief, a refusal to hold a religious belief, or refusal to attend or participate in a religious practice. Part 38 also sets out rules and requirements that pertain to recipient and subrecipient ("subgrantee") organizations that engage in or conduct explicitly religious activities, as well as rules and requirements that pertain to recipients and subrecipients that are faith-based or religious organizations.

The text of the regulation, now entitled "Partnerships with Faith-Based and Other Neighborhood Organizations," is available via the Electronic Code of Federal Regulations (currently accessible at <https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/ECFR?page=browse>), by browsing to Title 28-Judicial Administration, Chapter 1, Part 38, under e-CFR "current" data.

19. Restrictions on "lobbying"

In general, as a matter of federal law, federal funds awarded by OJP may not be used by the recipient, or any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, either directly or indirectly, to support or oppose the enactment, repeal, modification, or adoption of any law, regulation, or policy, at any level of government. See 18 U.S.C. 1913. (There may be exceptions if an applicable federal statute specifically authorizes certain activities that otherwise would be barred by law.)

Another federal law generally prohibits federal funds awarded by OJP from being used by the recipient, or any subrecipient at any tier, to pay any person to influence (or attempt to influence) a federal agency, a Member of Congress, or Congress (or an official or employee of any of them) with respect to the awarding of a federal grant or cooperative agreement, subgrant, contract, subcontract, or loan, or with respect to actions such as renewing, extending, or modifying any such award. See 31 U.S.C. 1352. Certain exceptions to this law apply, including an exception that applies to Indian tribes and tribal organizations.

Should any question arise as to whether a particular use of federal funds by a recipient (or subrecipient) would or might fall within the scope of these prohibitions, the recipient is to contact OJP for guidance, and may not proceed without the express prior written approval of OJP.



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20. Compliance with general appropriations-law restrictions on the use of federal funds (FY 2017)

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable restrictions on the use of federal funds set out in federal appropriations statutes. Pertinent restrictions, including from various "general provisions" in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017, are set out at <https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/FY17AppropriationsRestrictions.htm>, and are incorporated by reference here.

Should a question arise as to whether a particular use of federal funds by a recipient (or a subrecipient) would or might fall within the scope of an appropriations-law restriction, the recipient is to contact OJP for guidance, and may not proceed without the express prior written approval of OJP.

21. Reporting potential fraud, waste, and abuse, and similar misconduct

The recipient, and any subrecipients ("subgrantees") at any tier, must promptly refer to the DOJ Office of the Inspector General (OIG) any credible evidence that a principal, employee, agent, subrecipient, contractor, subcontractor, or other person has, in connection with funds under this award-- (1) submitted a claim that violates the False Claims Act; or (2) committed a criminal or civil violation of laws pertaining to fraud, conflict of interest, bribery, gratuity, or similar misconduct.

Potential fraud, waste, abuse, or misconduct involving or relating to funds under this award should be reported to the OIG by-- (1) mail directed to: Office of the Inspector General, U.S. Department of Justice, Investigations Division, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Room 4706, Washington, DC 20530; (2) e-mail to: [oig.hotline@usdoj.gov](mailto:oig.hotline@usdoj.gov); and/or (3) the DOJ OIG hotline: (contact information in English and Spanish) at (800) 869-4499 (phone) or (202) 616-9881 (fax).

Additional information is available from the DOJ OIG website at <https://www.usdoj.gov/oig>.



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22. Restrictions and certifications regarding non-disclosure agreements and related matters

No recipient or subrecipient ("subgrantee") under this award, or entity that receives a procurement contract or subcontract with any funds under this award, may require any employee or contractor to sign an internal confidentiality agreement or statement that prohibits or otherwise restricts, or purports to prohibit or restrict, the reporting (in accordance with law) of waste, fraud, or abuse to an investigative or law enforcement representative of a federal department or agency authorized to receive such information.

The foregoing is not intended, and shall not be understood by the agency making this award, to contravene requirements applicable to Standard Form 312 (which relates to classified information), Form 4414 (which relates to sensitive compartmented information), or any other form issued by a federal department or agency governing the nondisclosure of classified information.

1. In accepting this award, the recipient--

a. represents that it neither requires nor has required internal confidentiality agreements or statements from employees or contractors that currently prohibit or otherwise currently restrict (or purport to prohibit or restrict) employees or contractors from reporting waste, fraud, or abuse as described above; and

b. certifies that, if it learns or is notified that it is or has been requiring its employees or contractors to execute agreements or statements that prohibit or otherwise restrict (or purport to prohibit or restrict), reporting of waste, fraud, or abuse as described above, it will immediately stop any further obligations of award funds, will provide prompt written notification to the federal agency making this award, and will resume (or permit resumption of) such obligations only if expressly authorized to do so by that agency.

2. If the recipient does or is authorized under this award to make subawards ("subgrants"), procurement contracts, or both--

a. it represents that--

(1) it has determined that no other entity that the recipient's application proposes may or will receive award funds (whether through a subaward ("subgrant"), procurement contract, or subcontract under a procurement contract) either requires or has required internal confidentiality agreements or statements from employees or contractors that currently prohibit or otherwise currently restrict (or purport to prohibit or restrict) employees or contractors from reporting waste, fraud, or abuse as described above; and

(2) it has made appropriate inquiry, or otherwise has an adequate factual basis, to support this representation; and

b. it certifies that, if it learns or is notified that any subrecipient, contractor, or subcontractor entity that receives funds under this award is or has been requiring its employees or contractors to execute agreements or statements that prohibit or otherwise restrict (or purport to prohibit or restrict), reporting of waste, fraud, or abuse as described above, it will immediately stop any further obligations of award funds to or by that entity, will provide prompt written notification to the federal agency making this award, and will resume (or permit resumption of) such obligations only if expressly authorized to do so by that agency.



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23. Compliance with 41 U.S.C. 4712 (including prohibitions on reprisal; notice to employees)

The recipient (and any subrecipient at any tier) must comply with, and is subject to, all applicable provisions of 41 U.S.C. 4712, including all applicable provisions that prohibit, under specified circumstances, discrimination against an employee as reprisal for the employee's disclosure of information related to gross mismanagement of a federal grant, a gross waste of federal funds, an abuse of authority relating to a federal grant, a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety, or a violation of law, rule, or regulation related to a federal grant.

The recipient also must inform its employees, in writing (and in the predominant native language of the workforce), of employee rights and remedies under 41 U.S.C. 4712.

Should a question arise as to the applicability of the provisions of 41 U.S.C. 4712 to this award, the recipient is to contact the DOJ awarding agency (OJP or OVW, as appropriate) for guidance.

24. Encouragement of policies to ban text messaging while driving

Pursuant to Executive Order 13513, "Federal Leadership on Reducing Text Messaging While Driving," 74 Fed. Reg. 51225 (October 1, 2009), DOJ encourages recipients and subrecipients ("subgrantees") to adopt and enforce policies banning employees from text messaging while driving any vehicle during the course of performing work funded by this award, and to establish workplace safety policies and conduct education, awareness, and other outreach to decrease crashes caused by distracted drivers.

25. Cooperating with OJP Monitoring

The recipient agrees to cooperate with OJP monitoring of this award pursuant to OJP's guidelines, protocols, and procedures, and to cooperate with OJP (including the grant manager for this award and the Office of Chief Financial Officer (OCFO)) requests related to such monitoring, including requests related to desk reviews and/or site visits. The recipient agrees to provide to OJP all documentation necessary for OJP to complete its monitoring tasks, including documentation related to any subawards made under this award. Further, the recipient agrees to abide by reasonable deadlines set by OJP for providing the requested documents. Failure to cooperate with OJP's monitoring activities may result in actions that affect the recipient's DOJ awards, including, but not limited to: withholdings and/or other restrictions on the recipient's access to award funds; referral to the DOJ OIG for audit review; designation of the recipient as a DOJ High Risk grantee; or termination of an award(s).

26. FFATA reporting: Subawards and executive compensation

The recipient must comply with applicable requirements to report first-tier subawards ("subgrants") of \$25,000 or more and, in certain circumstances, to report the names and total compensation of the five most highly compensated executives of the recipient and first-tier subrecipients (first-tier "subgrantees") of award funds. The details of recipient obligations, which derive from the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (FFATA), are posted on the OJP web site at <https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/FFATA.htm> (Award condition: Reporting Subawards and Executive Compensation), and are incorporated by reference here.

This condition, including its reporting requirement, does not apply to-- (1) an award of less than \$25,000, or (2) an award made to an individual who received the award as a natural person (i.e., unrelated to any business or non-profit organization that he or she may own or operate in his or her name).



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27. Use of program income

Program income (as defined in the Part 200 Uniform Requirements) must be used in accordance with the provisions of the Part 200 Uniform Requirements. Program income earnings and expenditures both must be reported on the quarterly Federal Financial Report, SF 425.

28. Justice Information Sharing

In order to promote information sharing and enable interoperability among disparate systems across the justice and public safety community, the recipient (and any subrecipient at any tier) must comply with DOJ's Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative (DOJ's Global) guidelines and recommendations for this particular award. The recipient shall conform to the Global Standards Package (GSP) and all constituent elements, where applicable, as described at: [https://it.ojp.gov/gsp\\_grantcondition](https://it.ojp.gov/gsp_grantcondition). The recipient shall document planned approaches to information sharing and describe compliance to the GSP and appropriate privacy policy that protects shared information, or provide detailed justification for why an alternative approach is recommended.

29. Avoidance of duplication of networks

To avoid duplicating existing networks or IT systems in any initiatives funded by BJA for law enforcement information sharing systems which involve interstate connectivity between jurisdictions, such systems shall employ, to the extent possible, existing networks as the communication backbone to achieve interstate connectivity, unless the recipient can demonstrate to the satisfaction of BJA that this requirement would not be cost effective or would impair the functionality of an existing or proposed IT system.

30. Compliance with 28 C.F.R. Part 23

With respect to any information technology system funded or supported by funds under this award, the recipient (and any subrecipient at any tier) must comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23, Criminal Intelligence Systems Operating Policies, if OJP determines this regulation to be applicable. Should OJP determine 28 C.F.R. Part 23 to be applicable, OJP may, at its discretion, perform audits of the system, as per the regulation. Should any violation of 28 C.F.R. Part 23 occur, the recipient may be fined as per 42 U.S.C. 3789g(c)-(d). The recipient may not satisfy such a fine with federal funds.

31. Protection of human research subjects

The recipient (and any subrecipient at any tier) must comply with the requirements of 28 C.F.R. Part 46 and all OJP policies and procedures regarding the protection of human research subjects, including obtainment of Institutional Review Board approval, if appropriate, and subject informed consent.

32. Confidentiality of data

The recipient (and any subrecipient at any tier) must comply with all confidentiality requirements of 42 U.S.C. 3789g and 28 C.F.R. Part 22 that are applicable to collection, use, and revelation of data or information. The recipient further agrees, as a condition of award approval, to submit a Privacy Certificate that is in accord with requirements of 28 C.F.R. Part 22 and, in particular, 28 C.F.R. 22.23.



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33. Verification and updating of recipient contact information

The recipient must verify its Point of Contact(POC), Financial Point of Contact (FPOC), and Authorized Representative contact information in GMS, including telephone number and e-mail address. If any information is incorrect or has changed, a Grant Adjustment Notice (GAN) must be submitted via the Grants Management System (GMS) to document changes.

34. Law enforcement task forces - required training

Within 120 days of award acceptance, each current member of a law enforcement task force funded with award funds who is a task force commander, agency executive, task force officer, or other task force member of equivalent rank, must complete required online (internet-based) task force training. Additionally, all future task force members must complete this training once during the period of performance for this award, or once every four years if multiple OJP awards include this requirement.

The required training is available free of charge online through the BJA-funded Center for Task Force Integrity and Leadership ([www.ctfli.org](http://www.ctfli.org)). The training addresses task force effectiveness, as well as other key issues including privacy and civil liberties/rights, task force performance measurement, personnel selection, and task force oversight and accountability. If award funds are used to support a task force, the recipient must compile and maintain a task force personnel roster, along with course completion certificates.

Additional information regarding the training is available through BJA's web site and the Center for Task Force Integrity and Leadership ([www.ctfli.org](http://www.ctfli.org)).

35. Required attendance at BJA-sponsored events

The recipient (and its subrecipients at any tier) must participate in BJA-sponsored training events, technical assistance events, or conferences held by BJA or its designees, upon BJA's request.

36. Justification of consultant rate

Approval of this award does not indicate approval of any consultant rate in excess of \$650 per day. A detailed justification must be submitted to and approved by the OJP program office prior to obligation or expenditure of such funds.



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37. Compliance with National Environmental Policy Act and related statutes

Upon request, the recipient (and any subrecipient at any tier) must assist BJA in complying with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the National Historic Preservation Act, and other related federal environmental impact analyses requirements in the use of these award funds, either directly by the recipient or by a subrecipient. Accordingly, the recipient agrees to first determine if any of the following activities will be funded by the grant, prior to obligating funds for any of these purposes. If it is determined that any of the following activities will be funded by the award, the recipient agrees to contact BJA.

The recipient understands that this condition applies to new activities as set out below, whether or not they are being specifically funded with these award funds. That is, as long as the activity is being conducted by the recipient, a subrecipient, or any third party, and the activity needs to be undertaken in order to use these award funds, this condition must first be met. The activities covered by this condition are:

a. New construction;

b. Minor renovation or remodeling of a property located in an environmentally or historically sensitive area, including properties located within a 100-year flood plain, a wetland, or habitat for endangered species, or a property listed on or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places;

c. A renovation, lease, or any proposed use of a building or facility that will either (a) result in a change in its basic prior use or (b) significantly change its size;

d. Implementation of a new program involving the use of chemicals other than chemicals that are (a) purchased as an incidental component of a funded activity and (b) traditionally used, for example, in office, household, recreational, or education environments; and

e. Implementation of a program relating to clandestine methamphetamine laboratory operations, including the identification, seizure, or closure of clandestine methamphetamine laboratories.

The recipient understands and agrees that complying with NEPA may require the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement, as directed by BJA. The recipient further understands and agrees to the requirements for implementation of a Mitigation Plan, as detailed at <https://bja.gov/Funding/nepa.html>, for programs relating to methamphetamine laboratory operations.

Application of This Condition to Recipient's Existing Programs or Activities: For any of the recipient's or its subrecipients' existing programs or activities that will be funded by these award funds, the recipient, upon specific request from BJA, agrees to cooperate with BJA in any preparation by BJA of a national or program environmental assessment of that funded program or activity.

38. Establishment of trust fund

If award funds are being drawn down in advance, the recipient (or a subrecipient, with respect to a subaward) is required to establish a trust fund account. (The trust fund may or may not be an interest-bearing account.) The fund, including any interest, may not be used to pay debts or expenses incurred by other activities beyond the scope of the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG). The recipient also agrees to obligate the award funds in the trust fund (including any interest earned) during the period of performance for the award and expend within 90 days thereafter. Any unobligated or unexpended funds, including interest earned, must be returned to OJP at the time of closeout.





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39. Prohibition on use of award funds for match under BVP program

JAG funds may be used to purchase vests for an agency, but they may not be used as the 50% match for purposes of the DOJ Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) program.

40. Certification of body armor "mandatory wear" policies

The recipient agrees to submit a signed certification that all law enforcement agencies receiving body armor purchased with funds from this award have a written "mandatory wear" policy in effect. The recipient must keep signed certifications on file for any subrecipients planning to utilize funds from this award for ballistic-resistant and stab-resistant body armor purchases. This policy must be in place for at least all uniformed officers before any funds from this award may be used by an agency for body armor. There are no requirements regarding the nature of the policy other than it be a mandatory wear policy for all uniformed officers while on duty.

41. Body armor - compliance with NIJ standards

Ballistic-resistant and stab-resistant body armor purchased with JAG award funds may be purchased at any threat level, make or model, from any distributor or manufacturer, as long as the body armor has been tested and found to comply with applicable National Institute of Justice ballistic or stab standards and is listed on the NIJ Compliant Body Armor Model List (<https://nij.gov/>). In addition, ballistic-resistant and stab-resistant body armor purchased must be American-made. The latest NIJ standard information can be found here: <https://nij.gov/topics/technology/body-armor/pages/safety-initiative.aspx>.

42. Required monitoring of subawards

The recipient must monitor subawards under this JAG award in accordance with all applicable statutes, regulations, award conditions, and the DOJ Grants Financial Guide, and must include the applicable conditions of this award in any subaward. Among other things, the recipient is responsible for oversight of subrecipient spending and monitoring of specific outcomes and benefits attributable to use of award funds by subrecipients. The recipient agrees to submit, upon request, documentation of its policies and procedures for monitoring of subawards under this award.

43. Reporting requirements

The recipient must submit quarterly Federal Financial Reports (SF-425) and semi-annual performance reports through OJP's GMS (<https://grants.ojp.usdoj.gov>). Consistent with the Department's responsibilities under the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) and the GPRA Modernization Act of 2010, the recipient must provide data that measure the results of its work. The recipient must submit quarterly performance metrics reports through BJA's Performance Measurement Tool (PMT) website ([www.bjaperformancetools.org](http://www.bjaperformancetools.org)). For more detailed information on reporting and other JAG requirements, refer to the JAG reporting requirements webpage. Failure to submit required JAG reports by established deadlines may result in the freezing of grant funds and future High Risk designation.

44. Required data on law enforcement agency training

Any law enforcement agency receiving direct or sub-awarded funding from this JAG award must submit quarterly accountability metrics data related to training that officers have received on the use of force, racial and ethnic bias, de-escalation of conflict, and constructive engagement with the public.



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45. Prohibited Expenditures List

Award funds may not be used for items that are listed on the Prohibited Expenditure List at the time of purchase or acquisition, including as the list may be amended from time to time. The Prohibited Expenditure List may be accessed here: <https://www.bja.gov/funding/JAGControlledPurchaseList.pdf>

46. Controlled expenditures - prior written approval required

Award funds may not be used for items that are listed on the Controlled Expenditure List at the time of purchase or acquisition, including as the list may be amended from time to time, without explicit written prior approval from BJA. The Controlled Expenditure List, and instructions on how to request approval for purchase or acquisitions are set out at <https://www.bja.gov/funding/JAGControlledPurchaseList.pdf>

47. Controlled expenditures - incident reporting

If an agency uses award funds to purchase or acquire any item on the Controlled Expenditure List at the time of purchase or acquisition, including as the list may be amended from time to time, the agency must collect and retain (for at least 3 years) certain information about the use of-- (1) any federally-acquired Controlled Equipment in the agency's inventory, and (2) any other controlled equipment in the same category as the federally-acquired controlled equipment in the agency's inventory, regardless of source; and the agency must make that information available to BJA upon request. Details about what information must be collected and retained are set out at <https://ojp.gov/docs/LE-Equipment-WG-Final-Report.pdf>.

48. Sale of items on Controlled Expenditure List

Notwithstanding the provision of the Part 200 Uniform Requirements set out at 2 C.F.R. 200.313, no equipment listed on the Controlled Expenditure List that is purchased with award funds may be transferred or sold to a third party, except as described below:

a. Agencies may transfer or sell any controlled equipment, except riot helmets and riot shields, to a Law Enforcement Agency (LEA) after obtaining prior written approval from BJA. As a condition of that approval, the acquiring LEA will be required to submit information and certifications to BJA as if it were requesting approval to use award funds for the initial purchase of items on the Controlled Expenditure List.

b. Agencies may not transfer or sell any riot helmets or riot shields purchased under this award.

c. Agencies may not transfer or sell any Controlled Equipment purchased under this award to non-LEAs, with the exception of fixed wing aircraft, rotary wing aircraft, and command and control vehicles. Before any such transfer or sale is finalized, the agency must obtain prior written approval from BJA. All law enforcement-related and other sensitive or potentially dangerous components, and all law enforcement insignias and identifying markings must be removed prior to transfer or sale.

The recipient must notify BJA prior to the disposal of any items on the Controlled Expenditure List purchased with award funds, and must abide by any applicable laws (including regulations) in such disposal.

49. Prohibited or controlled expenditures - Effect of failure to comply

Failure to comply with an award condition related to prohibited or controlled expenditures may result in denial of any further approvals of controlled expenditures under this or other federal awards.



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50. Controlled expenditures - Standards

Consistent with recommendation 2.1 of Executive Order 13688, a law enforcement agency that acquires controlled equipment with award funds must adopt robust and specific written policies and protocols governing General Policing Standards and Specific Controlled Equipment Standards. General Policing Standards includes policies on (a) Community Policing; (b) Constitutional Policing; and (c) Community Input and Impact Considerations. Specific Controlled Equipment Standards includes policies specifically related to (a) Appropriate Use of Controlled Equipment; (b) Supervision of Use; (c) Effectiveness Evaluation; (d) Auditing and Accountability; and (e) Transparency and Notice Considerations. Upon OJP's request, the recipient must provide a copy of the General Policing Standards and Specific Controlled Equipment Standards, and any related policies and protocols.

51. Authorization to obligate (federal) award funds to reimburse certain project costs incurred on or after October 1, 2016

The recipient may obligate (federal) award funds only after the recipient makes a valid acceptance of the award. As of the first day of the period of performance for the award (October 1, 2016), however, the recipient may choose to incur project costs using non-federal funds, but any such project costs are incurred at the recipient's risk until, at a minimum-- (1) the recipient makes a valid acceptance of the award, and (2) all applicable withholding conditions are removed by OJP (via a Grant Adjustment Notice). (A withholding condition is a condition in the award document that precludes the recipient from obligating, expending, or drawing down all or a portion of the award funds until the condition is removed.)

Except to the extent (if any) that an award condition expressly precludes reimbursement of project costs incurred "at-risk," if and when the recipient makes a valid acceptance of this award and OJP removes each applicable withholding condition through a Grant Adjustment Notice, the recipient is authorized to obligate (federal) award funds to reimburse itself for project costs incurred "at-risk" earlier during the period of performance (such as project costs incurred prior to award acceptance or prior to removal of an applicable withholding condition), provided that those project costs otherwise are allowable costs under the award.

Nothing in this condition shall be understood to authorize the recipient (or any subrecipient at any tier) to use award funds to "supplant" State or local funds in violation of the recipient's certification (executed by the chief executive of the State or local government) that federal funds will be used to increase the amounts of such funds that would, in the absence of federal funds, be made available for law enforcement activities.

52. "Certification of Compliance with 8 U.S.C. 1373" required for valid award acceptance by a unit of local government

In order validly to accept this award, the applicant local government must submit the required "Certification of Compliance with 8 U.S.C. 1373" (executed by the chief legal officer of the local government). Unless that executed certification either-- (1) is submitted to OJP together with the fully-executed award document, or (2) is uploaded in OJP's GMS no later than the day the signed award document is submitted to OJP, any submission by a unit of local government that purports to accept the award is invalid.

If an initial award-acceptance submission by the recipient is invalid, once the unit of local government does submit the necessary certification regarding 8 U.S.C. 1373, it may submit a fully-executed award document executed by the unit of local government on or after the date of that certification.

For purposes of this condition, "local government" does not include any Indian tribes.



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53. Ongoing compliance with 8 U.S.C. 1373 is required

1. With respect to the "program or activity" funded in whole or part under this award (including any such "program or activity" of any subrecipient at any tier), throughout the period of performance for the award, no State or local government entity, -agency, or -official may prohibit or in any way restrict-- (1) any government entity or -official from sending or receiving information regarding citizenship or immigration status as described in 8 U.S.C. 1373(a); or (2) a government entity or -agency from sending, requesting or receiving, maintaining, or exchanging information regarding immigration status as described in 8 U.S.C. 1373(b). For purposes of this award, any prohibition (or restriction) that violates this condition is an "information-communication restriction."

2. Certifications from subrecipients. The recipient may not make a subaward to a State or local government or a "public" institution of higher education, unless it first obtains a certification of compliance with 8 U.S.C. 1373, properly executed by the chief legal officer of the jurisdiction or institution that would receive the subaward, using the appropriate form available at <https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/SampleCertifications-8USC1373.htm>. Similarly, the recipient must require that no subrecipient (at any tier) may make a further subaward to a State or local government or a "public" institution of higher education, unless it first obtains a certification of compliance with 8 U.S.C. 1373, properly executed by the chief legal officer of the jurisdiction or institution that would receive the further subaward, using the appropriate OJP form.

3. The recipient's monitoring responsibilities include monitoring of subrecipient compliance with the requirements of this condition.

4. Allowable costs. Compliance with these requirements is an authorized and priority purpose of this award. To the extent that such costs are not reimbursed under any other federal program, award funds may be obligated (including for authorized reimbursements) for the reasonable, necessary, and allocable costs (if any) that the recipient, or any subrecipient at any tier that is a State or local government or a "public" institution of higher education, incurs to implement this condition.

5. Rules of Construction

A. For purposes of this condition:

(1) "State" and "local government" include any agency or other entity thereof, but not any institution of higher education or any Indian tribe.

(2) A "public" institution of higher education is one that is owned, controlled, or directly funded by a State or local government.

(3) "Program or activity" means what it means under title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (see 42 U.S.C. 2000d-4a).

(4) "Immigration status" means what it means for purposes of 8 U.S.C. 1373 (Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996); and terms that are defined in 8 U.S.C. 1101 (Immigration and Nationality Act) mean what they mean under that section 1101, except that the term "State" also shall include American Samoa (cf. 42 U.S.C. 901(a)(2)).

(5) Pursuant to the provisions set out at (or referenced in) 8 U.S.C. 1551 note ("Abolition ... and Transfer of Functions"), references to the "Immigration and Naturalization Service" in 8 U.S.C. 1373 are to be read as references to particular components of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

B. Nothing in this condition shall be understood to authorize or require any recipient, any subrecipient at any tier, any State or local government, any "public" institution of higher education, or any other entity (or individual) to violate any federal law, including any applicable civil rights or nondiscrimination law.



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54. Authority to obligate award funds contingent on compliance with 8 U.S.C. 1373; unallowable costs; obligation to notify

1. If the recipient is a State or local government--

A. The recipient may not obligate award funds if, at the time of the obligation, the "program or activity" of the recipient (or of any subrecipient at any tier that is either a State or unit of local government or a "public" institution of higher education) that is funded in whole or in part with award funds is subject to any "information-communication restriction."

B. In addition, with respect to any project costs it incurs "at risk," the recipient may not obligate award funds to reimburse itself if -- at the time it incurs such costs -- the "program or activity" of the recipient (or of any subrecipient at any tier that is either a State or unit of local government or a "public" institution of higher education) that would be reimbursed in whole or in part with award funds was subject to any "information-communication restriction."

C. Any drawdown of award funds by the recipient shall be considered, for all purposes, to be a material representation by the recipient to OJP that, as of the date the recipient requests the drawdown, the recipient and all subrecipients (regardless of tier) are in compliance with 8 U.S.C. 1373.

D. The recipient must promptly notify OJP (in writing) if the recipient, from its requisite monitoring of compliance with award conditions or otherwise, has credible evidence that indicates that the funded "program or activity" of the recipient, or of any subrecipient at any tier that is either a State or a local government or a "public" institution of higher education, may be subject to any "information-communication restriction." In addition, any subaward (at any tier) to a subrecipient that is either a State or a local government or a "public" institution of higher education must require prompt notification to the entity that made the subaward, should the subrecipient such credible evidence regarding an "information-communication restriction."

2. Any subaward (at any tier) to a subrecipient that is either a State or a local government or a "public" institution of higher education must provide that the subrecipient may not obligate award funds if, at the time of the obligation, the "program or activity" of the subrecipient (or of any further such subrecipient at any tier) that is funded in whole or in part with award funds is subject to any "information-communication restriction."

3. Absent an express written determination by DOJ to the contrary, based upon a finding by DOJ of compelling circumstances (e.g., a small amount of award funds obligated by the recipient at the time of a subrecipient's minor and transitory non-compliance, which was unknown to the recipient despite diligent monitoring), any obligations of award funds that, under this condition, may not be made shall be unallowable costs for purposes of this award. In making any such determination, DOJ will give great weight to evidence submitted by the recipient that demonstrates diligent monitoring of subrecipient compliance with the requirements set out in the award condition entitled "Ongoing compliance with 8 U.S.C. 1373 is required."

4. Rules of Construction

A. For purposes of this condition "information-communication restriction" has the meaning set out in the award condition entitled "Ongoing compliance with 8 U.S.C. 1373 is required."

B. Both the "Rules of Construction" and the "Important Note" set out in the award condition entitled "Ongoing compliance with 8 U.S.C. 1373 is required" are incorporated by reference as though set forth here in full.



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55. Required State-level rules or practices related to aliens; allowable costs

The following provisions apply to the recipient of this award, if the recipient is a State government, and also apply to any State-government subrecipient at any tier (whether or not the recipient is a State government).

1. Requirements

With respect to the "program or activity" that is funded (in whole or in part) by this award, as of the date the recipient accepts this award, and throughout the remainder of the period of performance for the award--

A. A State statute, or a State rule, -regulation, -policy, or -practice, must be in place that is designed to ensure that agents of the United States acting under color of federal law in fact are given to access any State (or State-contracted) correctional facility for the purpose of permitting such agents to meet with individuals who are (or are believed by such agents to be) aliens and to inquire as to such individuals' right to be or remain in the United States.

B. A State statute, or a State rule, -regulation, -policy, or -practice, must be in place that is designed to ensure that, when a State (or State-contracted) correctional facility receives from DHS a formal written request authorized by the Immigration and Nationality Act that seeks advance notice of the scheduled release date and time for a particular alien in such facility, then such facility will honor such request and -- as early as practicable (see para. 4.B. of this condition) -- provide the requested notice to DHS.

2. Monitoring

The recipient's monitoring responsibilities include monitoring of subrecipient compliance with the requirements of this condition.

3. Allowable costs

Compliance with these requirements is an authorized and priority purpose of this award. To the extent that such costs are not reimbursed under any other federal program, award funds may be obligated (including for authorized reimbursements) for the reasonable, necessary, and allocable costs (if any) of-- (1) developing and putting into place statutes, rules, regulations, policies, and practices to satisfy this condition, and (2) permitting access as described in para. 1.A. above, and (3) honoring any request from DHS that is encompassed by para. 1.B. above.

4. Rules of construction

A. For purposes of this condition--

(1) the term "alien" means what it means under section 101 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (see 8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(3)).

(2) the term "correctional facility" means what it means under the Title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (see 42 U.S.C. 3791(a)(7)).

B. Nothing in this condition shall be understood to authorize or require any recipient, any subrecipient at any tier, any State or local government, or any other entity or individual to maintain (or detain) any individual in custody beyond the date and time the individual would have been released in the absence of this condition.

Current DHS practice is ordinarily to request advance notice of scheduled release "as early as practicable (at least 48 hours, if possible)." (See DHS Form I-247A (3/17)). In the event that (e.g., in light of the date DHS made such request) the scheduled release date and time for an alien are such as not to permit the advance notice that DHS has requested, it shall not be a violation of this condition to provide only as much advance notice as practicable.



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NOTE: Current DHS practice is to use one form (DHS Form I-247A (3/17)) for two distinct purposes -- to request advance notice of scheduled release, and to request that an individual be detained for up to 48 hours AFTER the scheduled release. This condition imposes NO requirements as to such DHS requests for detention.

C. Both the "Rules of Construction" and the "Important Note" set out in the award condition entitled "Ongoing compliance with 8 U.S.C. 1373 is required" are incorporated by reference as though set forth here in full.

56. Required local-government-level rules or practices related to aliens; allowable costs

The following provisions apply to the recipient of this award, if the recipient is a unit of local government, and also apply to any local-government subrecipient of this award at any tier (whether or not the recipient itself is a unit of local government).

1. Requirements

With respect to the "program or activity" that is funded (in whole or in part) by this award, as of the date the recipient accepts this award, and throughout the remainder of the period of performance for the award--

A. A local ordinance, -rule, -regulation, -policy, or -practice (or an applicable State statute, -rule, -regulation, -policy, or -practice) must be in place that is designed to ensure that agents of the United States acting under color of federal law in fact are given access a local-government (or local-government-contracted) correctional facility for the purpose of permitting such agents to meet with individuals who are (or are believed by such agents to be) aliens and to inquire as to such individuals' right to be or remain in the United States.

B. A local ordinance, -rule, -regulation, -policy, or -practice (or an applicable State statute, -rule, -regulation, -policy, or -practice) must be in place that is designed to ensure that, when a local-government (or local-government-contracted) correctional facility receives from DHS a formal written request authorized by the Immigration and Nationality Act that seeks advance notice of the scheduled release date and time for a particular alien in such facility, then such facility will honor such request and -- as early as practicable (see "Rules of Construction" incorporated by para. 4.B. of this condition) -- provide the requested notice to DHS.

2. Monitoring

The recipient's monitoring responsibilities include monitoring of subrecipient compliance with the requirements of this condition.

3. Allowable costs

Compliance with these requirements is an authorized and priority purpose of this award. To the extent that such costs are not reimbursed under any other federal program, award funds may be obligated (including for authorized reimbursements) for the reasonable, necessary, and allocable costs (if any) of-- (1) developing and putting into place statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations, policies, and practices to satisfy this condition, (2) permitting access as described in para. 1.A. above, and (3) honoring any request from DHS that is encompassed by para. 1.B. above.

4. Rules of construction

A. The "Rules of Construction" and the "Important Note" set out in the award condition entitled "Ongoing compliance with 8 U.S.C. 1373 is required" are incorporated by reference as though set forth here in full.

B. The "Rules of Construction" set out in the award condition entitled "Required State-level rules or practices related to aliens; allowable costs" are incorporated by reference as though set forth here in full.



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57. Use of funds for DNA testing; upload of DNA profiles

If award funds are used for DNA testing of evidentiary materials, any resulting eligible DNA profiles must be uploaded to the Combined DNA Index System ("CODIS," the DNA database operated by the FBI) by a government DNA laboratory with access to CODIS.

No profiles generated under this award may be entered or uploaded into any non-governmental DNA database without prior express written approval from BJA.

Award funds may not be used for the purchase of DNA equipment and supplies unless the resulting DNA profiles may be accepted for entry into CODIS.

58. Encouragement of submission of "success stories"

BJA strongly encourages the recipient to submit annual (or more frequent) JAG success stories. To submit a success story, sign in to a My BJA account at <https://www.bja.gov/Login.aspx> to access the Success Story Submission form. If the recipient does not yet have a My BJA account, please register at <https://www.bja.gov/profile.aspx>. Once registered, one of the available areas on the My BJA page will be "My Success Stories." Within this box, there is an option to add a Success Story. Once reviewed and approved by BJA, all success stories will appear on the BJA Success Story web page at <https://www.bja.gov/SuccessStoryList.aspx>.

59. Requirement to disclose whether recipient is designated "high risk" by a federal grant-making agency outside of DOJ

If the recipient is designated "high risk" by a federal grant-making agency outside of DOJ, currently or at any time during the course of the period of performance under this award, the recipient must disclose that fact and certain related information to OJP by email at [OJP.ComplianceReporting@ojp.usdoj.gov](mailto:OJP.ComplianceReporting@ojp.usdoj.gov). For purposes of this disclosure, high risk includes any status under which a federal awarding agency provides additional oversight due to the recipient's past performance, or other programmatic or financial concerns with the recipient. The recipient's disclosure must include the following: 1. The federal awarding agency that currently designates the recipient high risk, 2. The date the recipient was designated high risk, 3. The high-risk point of contact at that federal awarding agency (name, phone number, and email address), and 4. The reasons for the high-risk status, as set out by the federal awarding agency.

60. Reclassification of various statutory provisions to a new Title 34 of the United States Code

On September 1, 2017, various statutory provisions previously codified elsewhere in the U.S. Code were editorially reclassified to a new Title 34, entitled "Crime Control and Law Enforcement." The reclassification encompassed a number of statutory provisions pertinent to OJP awards (that is, OJP grants and cooperative agreements), including many provisions previously codified in Title 42 of the U.S. Code.

Effective as of September 1, 2017, any reference in this award document to a statutory provision that has been reclassified to the new Title 34 of the U.S. Code is to be read as a reference to that statutory provision as reclassified to Title 34. This rule of construction specifically includes references set out in award conditions, references set out in material incorporated by reference through award conditions, and references set out in other award requirements.

61. Recipient may not obligate, expend or drawdown funds until the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs has received and approved the required application attachment(s) and has issued a Grant Adjustment Notice (GAN) releasing this special condition.





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62. Withholding of funds: Program narrative

The recipient may not obligate, expend, or draw down any award funds until the recipient submits, and OJP reviews and accepts, the program narrative for this award, and a Grant Adjustment Notice (GAN) has been issued to remove this condition.



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Washington, D.C. 20531

**Memorandum To:** Official Grant File  
**From:** Orbin Terry, NEPA Coordinator  
**Subject:** Incorporates NEPA Compliance in Further Developmental Stages for City Of Central Falls

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG) allows states and local governments to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime and to improve the criminal justice system, some of which could have environmental impacts. All recipients of JAG funding must assist BJA in complying with NEPA and other related federal environmental impact analyses requirements in the use of grant funds, whether the funds are used directly by the grantee or by a subgrantee or third party. Accordingly, prior to obligating funds for any of the specified activities, the grantee must first determine if any of the specified activities will be funded by the grant.

The specified activities requiring environmental analysis are:

- a. New construction;
- b. Any renovation or remodeling of a property located in an environmentally or historically sensitive area, including properties located within a 100-year flood plain, a wetland, or habitat for endangered species, or a property listed on or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places;
- c. A renovation, lease, or any proposed use of a building or facility that will either (a) result in a change in its basic prior use or (b) significantly change its size;
- d. Implementation of a new program involving the use of chemicals other than chemicals that are (a) purchased as an incidental component of a funded activity and (b) traditionally used, for example, in office, household, recreational, or education environments; and
- e. Implementation of a program relating to clandestine methamphetamine laboratory operations, including the identification, seizure, or closure of clandestine methamphetamine laboratories.

Complying with NEPA may require the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement, as directed by BJA. Further, for programs relating to methamphetamine laboratory operations, the preparation of a detailed Mitigation Plan will be required. For more information about Mitigation Plan requirements, please see <https://www.bja.gov/Funding/nepa.html>.

Please be sure to carefully review the grant conditions on your award document, as it may contain more specific information about environmental compliance.



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## GRANT MANAGER'S MEMORANDUM, PT. I: PROJECT SUMMARY

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This project is supported under FY17(BJA - JAG State and JAG Local) Title I of Pub. L. No. 90-351 (generally codified at 42 U.S.C. 3711 - 3797ff-5), including subpart 1 of part E (codified at 42 U.S.C. 3750 - 3758); see also 28 U.S.C. 530C(a).

1. STAFF CONTACT (Name & telephone number)

Antonio H. Tovar  
(202) 598-7424

2. PROJECT DIRECTOR (Name, address & telephone number)

Mary Foran Chace  
Administrative Assistant  
160 Illionis Street  
Central Falls, RI 02863-1216  
(401) 727-7415 ext.2550

3a. TITLE OF THE PROGRAM

BJA FY 17 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - Local Solicitation

3b. POMS CODE (SEE INSTRUCTIONS  
ON REVERSE)

4. TITLE OF PROJECT

Upgrades to Remote Access Location and Security

5. NAME & ADDRESS OF GRANTEE

City Of Central Falls  
580 Broad Street  
Central Falls, RI 02863-1216

6. NAME & ADDRESS OF SUBGRANTEE

7. PROGRAM PERIOD

FROM: 10/01/2016 TO: 09/30/2020

8. BUDGET PERIOD

FROM: 10/01/2016 TO: 09/30/2020

9. AMOUNT OF AWARD

\$ 28,677

10. DATE OF AWARD

06/26/2018

11. SECOND YEAR'S BUDGET

12. SECOND YEAR'S BUDGET AMOUNT

13. THIRD YEAR'S BUDGET PERIOD

14. THIRD YEAR'S BUDGET AMOUNT

15. SUMMARY DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT (See instruction on reverse)

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG) allows states and units of local government, including tribes, to support a broad range of criminal justice related activities based on their own state and local needs and conditions. Grant funds can be used for state and local initiatives, technical assistance, training, personnel, equipment, supplies, contractual support, and information systems for criminal justice, including for any one or more of the following purpose areas: 1) law enforcement programs; 2) prosecution and court programs; 3) prevention and education programs; 4) corrections and community corrections programs; 5) drug treatment and enforcement programs; 6) planning, evaluation, and technology improvement programs; 7) crime victim and witness programs (other than compensation); and 8) mental health programs and related law enforcement and corrections programs, including behavioral programs and crisis intervention teams.

This Local JAG award will be used to support criminal justice initiatives that fall under one or more of the allowable program areas above. Any equipment purchases or funded initiatives such as overtime, task forces, drug programs, information sharing, etc. will be aimed at reducing crime and/or enhancing

public/officer safety.

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS

Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Program  
FY 2017 Local Solicitation

Certifications and Assurances  
by the Chief Executive of the Applicant Government

On behalf of the applicant unit of local government named below, in support of that locality's application for an award under the FY 2017 Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant ("JAG") Program, and further to 34 U.S.C. § 10153(a), I certify to the Office of Justice Programs ("OJP"), U.S. Department of Justice ("USDOJ"), that all of the following are true and correct:

1. I am the chief executive of the applicant unit of local government named below, and I have the authority to make the following representations on my own behalf and on behalf of the applicant unit of local government. I understand that these representations will be relied upon as material in any OJP decision to make an award, under the application described above, to the applicant unit of local government.
2. I certify that no federal funds made available by the award (if any) that OJP makes based on the application described above will be used to supplant local funds, but will be used to increase the amounts of such funds that would, in the absence of federal funds, be made available for law enforcement activities.
3. I assure that the application described above (and any amendment to that application) was submitted for review to the governing body of the unit of local government (e.g., city council or county commission), or to an organization designated by that governing body, not less than 30 days before the date of this certification.
4. I assure that, before the date of this certification— (a) the application described above (and any amendment to that application) was made public; and (b) an opportunity to comment on that application (or amendment) was provided to citizens and to neighborhood or community-based organizations, to the extent applicable law or established procedure made such an opportunity available.
5. I assure that, for each fiscal year of the award (if any) that OJP makes based on the application described above, the applicant unit of local government will maintain and report such data, records, and information (programmatic and financial), as OJP may reasonably require.
6. I have carefully reviewed 34 U.S.C. § 10153(a)(5), and, with respect to the programs to be funded by the award (if any), I hereby make the certification required by section 10153(a)(5), as to each of the items specified therein.

Signature of Chief Executive of the Applicant Unit of  
Local Government

JAMES DIOSSA

Printed Name of Chief Executive

Date of Certification

8/6/19

MAYOR

Title of Chief Executive

Name of Applicant Unit of Local Government

Central Falls, Rhode Island

In *City of Providence v. Barr*, --- F. Supp. 3d ---, 2019 WL 2420549, Case No. 18-CV-00437-JJM-LDA (D.R.I), the United States District Court, on June 10, 2019, held that FY 2017 Byrne JAG Award Special Conditions Nos. 52-56 (referred to as the Notice Condition, Access Condition, and Section 1373 Condition in the litigation) are unlawful and unenforceable, and enjoined DOJ from using them as a funding restriction on any Byrne JAG award recipient within its district (i.e., Rhode Island), including and especially Plaintiffs City of Providence and City of Central Falls (“the Cities”). The Court also issued a mandamus order requiring DOJ to disburse the Cities’ FY 2017 Byrne JAG Awards despite the Cities’ failure to certify compliance with those conditions. A Partial Judgment of Injunction and Writ of Mandamus entered on June 27, 2019. A copy of the Court’s judgment is attached as **Exhibit 1**.

The Court in *City of Providence v. Barr* originally ordered that DOJ reissue the FY2017 Byrne JAG Awards without the challenged conditions. In an email dated June 14, 2019, counsel for DOJ represented that it would be asking the court to reconsider that portion of its decision in order to avoid a potential mootness issue on appeal (the Cities’ assented to DOJ’s later motion), and further proposed that, instead, the Cities accept the already-issued awards by note on or attached to the acceptance that the Notice Condition, Access Condition, and Section 1373 Condition have been held unenforceable by Order of the United States District Court for the District of Rhode Island and will not be applied to or enforced against the Cities so long as the Court’s Order remains in effect. A copy of the email correspondence is attached as **Exhibit 2**. The within statement constitutes the note/attachment to which DOJ refers.

Accordingly, the Cities make the following alterations in their acceptances of the FY2017 Byrne JAG Awards:

- No submission by their Chief Legal Officers of a FY2017 Certification of Compliance with 8 U.S.C. § 1373;
- Strike out/redaction of paragraph 7 of the FY2017 Certifications and Assurances by the Chief Executive of Applicant Government;
- No initials by their Authorized Grantee Official on those pages on which Special Conditions Nos. 52-56 appear; and
- The inclusion of the within statement and attached exhibits.

In reliance on these circumstances, the City of Central Falls accepts this award. In particular, the City of Central Falls accepts this award pursuant to the District Court’s June 27, 2019 Partial Judgment of Injunction and Writ of Mandamus in *City of Providence v. Barr*, and the representations in the June 14, 2019 email from DOJ’s counsel. The acceptance is subject to and contingent upon the DOJ not using or enforcing Special Conditions No. 52-56 so long as the Court’s order remains in effect. The City of Central Falls acceptance of the award does not constitute acceptance of Special Conditions Nos. 52-56.

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND

CITY OF PROVIDENCE, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

WILLIAM P. BARR, *et al.*,

Defendants,

Civil Action No.  
CA-18-437-JJM-LDA

**PARTIAL JUDGMENT OF INJUNCTION AND WRIT OF MANDAMUS**

Pursuant to, and for the reasons set forth in, this Court’s Memorandum and Order of June 10, 2019 (Docket No. 30), granting the City of Providence and the City of Central Falls’ (the “Cities”) Motion for Summary Judgment (Docket No. 20) and application for a Writ of Mandamus, with respect to the Fiscal Year 2017 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (“Byrne JAG”) award claims at issue in this litigation, it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED as follows:

1. With respect to any Byrne JAG award for Fiscal Year 2017 (a “FY2017 Award”) made to any recipient within the District of Rhode Island, the Department of Justice (“DOJ”) is permanently enjoined from enforcing any special condition on a recipient’s FY2017 Award that imposes or requires any of the following (the “Enjoined Conditions”) as a condition of eligibility for, or receipt of, FY 2017 Byrne JAG award funds:
  - a. That a Byrne JAG award recipient provide federal immigration enforcement agents with access to the recipient’s correctional facilities (the “Access Condition”);
  - b. That a Byrne JAG award recipient provide federal immigration enforcement agents with notice of a scheduled release of a suspected alien in custody (the “Notice Condition”); and
  - c. That a Byrne JAG award recipient not restrict, in contravention of 8 U.S.C. §1373(a), the sharing, maintenance, or exchange of information regarding citizenship or immigration status with federal immigration enforcement authorities (the “1373 Condition”);
  
2. DOJ is mandated to disburse the Cities’ FY2017 Awards, specifically:

Award No.	Award Recipient	Grant Award Amt.
2017-DJ-BX-0398	City of Providence	\$212,112.00
2017-DJ-BX-0951	City of Central Falls	\$28,677.00

These disbursements shall be made despite the Cities' failure to certify compliance with the Access Condition, the Notice Condition, or the 1373 Condition as set forth in the award documents for the Cities' FY2017 Awards; provided, however, that nothing in this Order shall relieve the Cities' from their obligations to provide certification of, and compliance with, any other condition of the Cities' FY2017 Awards other than the Enjoined Conditions, and DOJ is not required to disburse the Cities' FY2017 Awards until such other conditions for disbursement are met. Acceptance of FY2017 Award funds by the Cities shall not be construed as acceptance of the Enjoined Conditions;

3. In their acceptance of the FY2017, the Cities may include notations or additional pages indicating that they are not certifying compliance with the Access Condition, the Notice Condition, and the 1373 Condition so long as this Court's Order remains in effect;
4. DOJ must process and approve the Cities' requests for drawdowns of their respective FY 2017 Byrne JAG funds as it would in the ordinary course and without regard to the Enjoined Conditions.
5. Nothing in this Order shall impair, affect, or relieve the Cities or any other FY2017 Byrne JAG award recipient within the District of Rhode Island from the obligation to certify and comply with any and all other grant conditions apart from the Access Condition, the Notice Condition, and the Section 1373 Condition, nor shall it impair DOJ's ability to enforce the conditions in the Cities' FY 2017 Awards other than the Access Condition, the Notice Condition, and the Section 1373 Condition;
6. The Cities' rights to seek reasonable costs, including attorneys' fees, for this matter and any future related proceedings, are reserved.
7. Because the Cities have demonstrated a need for the funds contained in the FY2017 Award, and because this Court's resolution of the remaining issues in this case is unlikely to affect the FY2017 Award, the Court hereby finds that there is no just reason to delay entry of partial judgment. Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 54(b), judgment shall enter forthwith in favor of the Cities with respect to their claims concerning the FY2017 Awards.

SO ORDERED:

JUNE 27, 2019

  
HON. JOHN J. McCONNELL, Jr.  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE



# EXHIBIT 2

**From:** [Cunha, Zachary \(USAR\)](#)  
**To:** [Dana, Jeff](#); [Matthew Jerzyk](#)  
**Cc:** [Mauler, Dan \(CIV\)](#); [Schaub, Etie-Lee](#); [DiSanto, Megan](#)  
**Subject:** Byrne JAG- Proposed Injunction and Related Issues  
**Date:** Friday, June 14, 2019 10:47:37 AM

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Dear Jeff and Matt-

Are you available this afternoon or Monday for a brief call to discuss the permanent injunction on which the court has directed the parties to confer? We are vetting some language here on that and a few of the related relevant issues, and thought it might be useful to talk them over with you before seeking formal approval up the chain. In advance, there are two other issues we would also like to flag, and discuss with you:

First, consistent with applications in both the S.D.N.Y. and the N.D. Cal. Litigation, we will be asking the court for reconsideration with respect to the Order's requirement that DOJ re-issue the grant award notices to the Cities with the three challenged conditions removed. Both the S.D.N.Y. and N.D. Cal. Cases initially imposed the same requirement, but both courts reconsidered and removed it. We have concerns that removing the condition language from the actual awards creates a potential mootness issue that could impair our right to appeal, and, if such an appeal were to succeed, that it would compromise DOJ's contractual ability to enforce those conditions. Our proposal would be to have the cities accept the already-issued awards, but to caveat, by note on or attached to the acceptance, that the Access Condition, the Notice Condition, and the 1373 Condition have been held unenforceable by Order of this Court, and will not be applied to or enforced against the Cities so long as this Court's Order remains in effect; that is consistent with what was ultimately done in the two referenced cases, and what was originally required in many of the other Byrne JAG cases. (This also has the benefit of avoiding the extra time needed to have OJP issue a new set of award documents.) We would propose to address this by means of language in the proposed injunction order, accompanied by a brief motion for reconsideration solely as to that issue, and we wanted to front the issue so that we can note the Cities' position on such a request.

Second, in checking with OJP about the logistics of disbursement in an effort to make sure it happens as quickly as possible, we have been told that both Providence and Central Falls have other, non-challenged, non-immigration related grant funding conditions that have not been satisfied for the FY2017 awards. While OJP is prepared to disburse the funds immediately on the satisfaction of those conditions, and wants to facilitate that happening, these need to be addressed. They are:

**Providence:** (2017-DJ-BX-0398) has the following three unsatisfied withholding special conditions (only 2 of which require action from the City):

- #61: JAG FY 2017 - Withholding of Funds for Chief Executive Certification:
 

Withholding of funds: Required certification from the chief executive of the applicant government. The recipient may not obligate, expend, or draw down any award funds until the recipient submits the required "Certifications and Assurances by the Chief Executive of the Applicant Government," properly-executed (as determined by OJP), and a Grant Adjustment Notice (GAN) has been issued to remove this condition.

  - Required action – Grantee needs to submit a properly executed Chief Executive Certification.
  
- #62: Withholding - Completion of "OJP financial management and grant administration training" required:
 

Withholding of funds: Completion of "OJP financial management and grant administration training" required. The recipient may not obligate, expend, or draw down any award funds until-- (1) OJP determines that the recipient's Point of Contact (POC) and all Financial Points of Contact (FPOCs) for this award have successfully completed an "OJP financial management and grant administration training" on or after January 1, 2015, and (2) OJP issues a Grant Adjustment Notice (GAN) to modify or remove this condition. Once both the POC and all FPOCs have successfully completed the training required by this condition, the recipient may contact the designated grant manager for the award to request initiation of a GAN to remove this condition. A list of the OJP trainings that OJP will consider an "OJP financial management and grant administration training" for purposes of this condition is available at <https://ojp.gov/training/fmts.htm>. All trainings that satisfy this condition include a session on grant fraud prevention and detection.

  - Required action – No action required from the grantee. This can be addressed internally by OJP since the POC and FPOC for the grant is on record as having completed the trainings in connection with another award.
  
- #63: Withholding of Funds for Application Attachment:
 

Recipient may not obligate, expend or drawdown funds until the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs has received and approved the required application attachment(s) and has issued a Grant Adjustment Notice (GAN) releasing this special condition.

  - Required action - This special condition was added because the disclosure of high risk status was not included in the original application and is still missing. The grantee needs to submit a statement that they are currently not designated as high risk by another federal grant making agency. If they are considered high risk by another federal agency, they must disclose this

information to BJA and include the name of the federal agency, date the grantee was designated as high risk, high risk POC at the federal agency (name, phone, and email), and reason for the high risk status as set out by the federal awarding agency.

**Central Falls** (2017-DJ-BX-0951) has the following two unsatisfied withholding special conditions.

- #61 Withholding of Funds for Application Attachment: Recipient may not obligate, expend or drawdown funds until the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs has received and approved the required application attachment(s) and has issued a Grant Adjustment Notice (GAN) releasing this special condition. (This special condition was added because the disclosure of high risk status was not included in the original application and is still missing).
  - Required action - This special condition was added because the disclosure of high risk status was not included in the original application and is still missing. The grantee needs to submit a statement that they are currently not designated as high risk by another federal grant making agency. If they are considered high risk by another federal agency, they must disclose this information to BJA and include the name of the federal agency, date the grantee was designated as high risk, high risk POC at the federal agency (name, phone, and email), and reason for the high risk status as set out by the federal awarding agency.
- #62 JAG - Withholding of funds for program narrative - Withholding of funds: Program narrative The recipient may not obligate, expend, or draw down any award funds until the recipient submits, and OJP reviews and accepts, the program narrative for this award, and a Grant Adjustment Notice (GAN) has been issued to remove this condition.
  - Required action – Grantee needs to submit a revised program narrative that includes responses to the following sections, as required in the FY17 JAG local solicitation: (a) statement of the problem, (b) project design and implementation, (c) capabilities and competencies, and (d) plan for collecting the required data for the JAG performance measures, which are all required in the FY17 JAG solicitation.

Thanks, and let us know when you'd be available to speak; we're happy to set up a call in.

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