



Fact Sheet

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2020 Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act Program

Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act (LEMHWA) funds are used to improve the delivery of and access to mental health and wellness services for law enforcement through training and technical assistance, demonstration projects, and implementation of promising practices related to peer mentoring mental health and wellness programs. The 2020 LEMHWA program will fund projects that develop knowledge, increase awareness of effective mental health and wellness strategies, increase the skills and abilities of law enforcement, and increase the number of law enforcement agencies and relevant stakeholders using peer mentoring programs.

WHEN: Deadline for grant application is April 14, 2020 at 7:59 p.m. EDT.
Start EARLY. This is more than a one-day process.

WHERE: **1.** Register at www.grants.gov.
2. Complete the application at www.cops.usdoj.gov. Click the "Account Access" tab.

HOW: Online only. No hard copies sent by U.S. Mail or electronic copies sent via email.

COPS Office Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act Topics

The 2020 LEMHWA program will fund projects related to the following topic areas:

- LEMHWA Peer Support Implementation Projects
- National Peer Support Program for Small and Rural Agencies
- LEMHWA Coordinator Assistance Provider

Detailed descriptions of each of these topics are available in the application guide.

Funding Provisions

Provisions include the following:

- This solicitation is open to all public governmental agencies, federally recognized Indian tribes, for-profit and nonprofit organizations, institutions of higher education, community groups, and faith-based organizations. Proposals should be responsive to the topic selected, improve the delivery of and access to mental health and wellness services for law enforcement, and significantly advance

peer mentoring mental health and wellness programs within law enforcement agencies across the country. Applicants must identify specific program goals that will be directly accomplished if awarded LEMHWA funding. With the exception of the Peer Support Implementation topic area, initiatives that primarily or solely benefit one or a limited number of law enforcement agencies or other entities will not be considered for funding. Detailed descriptions of eligibility and additional solicitation information are available in the LEMHWA application guide.

- There is up to \$4.3 million in funding available through the FY 2020 LEMHWA program. Each award is two years (24 months) in length. There is no local match.

How to Apply

Applicants are first required to register via www.grants.gov and complete an SF-424 under the “COPS – LAW-ENFORCEMENT-MENTAL-HEALTH-AND-WELLNES-SACT-2020” funding opportunity. After submitting the SF-424, applicants will receive an email with instructions

on completing the second part of the LEMHWA application through the COPS Office Online Application System “Community Policing Development” application. To complete the LEMHWA application, please visit the COPS Office website at www.cops.usdoj.gov and click on the “Account Access” tab in the upper right-hand corner. Applicants should then enter their username and password and select “Applications” from the Agency Portal Menu.

Complete application packages for the FY 2020 LEMHWA solicitation are due by April 14, 2020, at 7:59 p.m. EDT. Before submitting your application, please review the LEMHWA Application Guide. Applications in hard or electronic format sent via email or U.S. Mail will not be accepted.

Contact the COPS Office

For more information about the LEMHWA program, please call the COPS Office Response Center at 800-421-6770 or visit the COPS Office website at www.cops.usdoj.gov.