



Fact Sheet

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FY 2024 Safer Outcomes: Enhancing De-Escalation and Crisis Response Training for Law Enforcement

Safer Outcomes funds are used to promote training on de-escalation and crisis response for law enforcement officers, support personnel employed by law enforcement agencies, and mental health professionals working on crisis intervention teams as employees of a law enforcement agency or under a legal agreement with a law enforcement agency. Supported training programs must address one or more of the following areas of focus:

1. De-escalation tactics and alternatives to use of force
2. Safely responding to an individual experiencing a mental or behavioral health or suicidal crisis
3. Safe encounters with individuals with disabilities
4. Successfully participating on a crisis intervention team
5. Making referrals to community-based services and support

WHEN: Deadline for first part of application in Grants.gov is **July 23, 2024**, at 4:59 p.m. ET. Deadline for completed application in JustGrants is **July 30, 2024**, at 4:59 p.m. ET.

Start EARLY. The process takes more than one day.

WHERE:

1. Register online with www.sam.gov to obtain a Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) and www.grants.gov to complete the Grants.gov application package.
2. Complete the application in the [JustGrants Justice Grants System](#).

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

FY24 Safer Outcomes: Enhancing De-Escalation and Crisis Response Training for Law Enforcement

This year's Safer Outcomes program has three open solicitations:

- Curriculum Integration for Law Enforcement Academies and State-Level Training Commissions
- Expansion of Regional De-Escalation Training Centers
- Support for Law Enforcement Agencies

Please see the chart on page 2 for an overview description of each solicitation. All awards are subject to the availability of appropriated funds and any modifications or additional requirements that may be imposed by law.

The COPS Office is committed to advancing work that promotes civil rights and equity, increases access to justice, supports crime victims and individuals impacted by the justice system, strengthens community safety and protects the public from crime and evolving threats, and builds trust between law enforcement and the community.

Title of solicitation	Eligible applicants	Overview summary	Cap per award
FY24 Safer Outcomes: Enhancing De-Escalation and Crisis Response Training for Law Enforcement – Support for Law Enforcement Agencies Solicitation	State, local, tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies	Direct grants to law enforcement agencies to support training on de-escalation and crisis response	\$350,000
FY24 Safer Outcomes: Enhancing De-Escalation and Crisis Response Training for Law Enforcement – Expansion of Regional De-Escalation Training Centers	Institutions of higher education and nonprofit organizations with experience providing training to law enforcement at the national or regional level	Cooperative agreements with training centers to provide training on de-escalation and crisis response within a designated region	\$800,000
FY24 Safer Outcomes: Enhancing De-Escalation and Crisis Response Training for Law Enforcement – Curriculum Integration for Law Enforcement Academies and State-Level Training Commissions	<p><u>Academy path:</u> Law enforcement training academies that deliver a curriculum of basic law enforcement instruction required for certification and employment in sworn officer positions for state, local, tribal, or territorial law enforcement agencies</p> <p><u>Commission path:</u> State-level regulatory bodies with the authority to establish training standards or mandate training curriculum for law enforcement officers in the state, commonly referred to as Police Officer Standards and Training Commissions or Peace Officer Standards and Training Commissions (POST Commissions)</p>	<p><u>Academy path:</u> Direct grants to law enforcement academies to support the integration of de-escalation and crisis response concepts throughout a recruit-level training academy</p> <p><u>Commission path:</u> Direct grants to state-level training commissions to support the integration of de-escalation and crisis response concepts into law enforcement training standards or mandated curriculum</p>	\$500,000

Funding Provisions

In addition to the table, provisions include the following:

- Applications should be responsive to the solicitation selected, significantly advance the field of community policing, and demonstrate an understanding of community policing as it pertains to the application topic. Applicants must identify specific program goals that will be directly accomplished if awarded Safer Outcomes funding. Detailed descriptions of eligibility and additional information are available in the individual solicitation guides.
- There is up to \$18 million in funding available through the FY 2024 Safer Outcomes program. Each award is two years (24 months) in length. There is no local match.

Contact the COPS Office

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

How to Apply

Applicants are first required to register online with www.sam.gov to obtain their Unique Entity Identifier and www.grants.gov to complete the Grants.gov application package. Deadline to complete this step is **July 23, 2024**. After submitting the Grants.gov application package, applicants will receive an email with instructions on completing the second part of the Safer Outcomes application through JustGrants.

Complete application packages for the FY 2024 Safer Outcomes solicitation are due by **July 30, 2024**, at 4:59 p.m. ET. Before submitting your application, please review the appropriate solicitation guide and materials. Applications in hard or electronic format sent via email or U.S. Mail will not be accepted.

Please note: The COPS Office requires two authorized representatives (Law Enforcement Executive/Program Official and Government Executive/Financial Official) for its grant applications. Confirm your two authorized representatives complete the steps to create their accounts. If they do not, the delay may prevent timely submission of your application.