

FY 2026 COPS SAFER OUTCOMES: ENHANCING CRISIS RESPONSE TRAINING FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM

Grants.gov Funding Opportunity Number: O-COPS-2026-172549

Application Deadlines in Eastern Time (ET):

- 1: Complete SF-424 and Submit in Grants.gov: **August 27, 2026, by 4:59 p.m. ET**
 - 2: Submit full application in JustGrants: **September 3, 2026, by 4:59 p.m. ET**
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1. BASIC INFORMATION

Purpose of the Funding

The Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) is the component of the U.S. Department of Justice responsible for advancing the practice of community policing and the Administration's priority of Making America Safe Again by supporting the nation's state, local, territorial and Tribal law enforcement agencies through information and grant resources.

This is a notice of funding opportunity (NOFO) for the FY26 Safer Outcomes: Enhancing Crisis Response Training for Law Enforcement Program. This opportunity seeks to promote safe outcomes during police encounters through relevant de-escalation and crisis response training. Awards will be made to entities seeking to implement training and related supports. Training is supported for law enforcement officers, support personnel employed by law enforcement agencies, and associated mental health professionals working on crisis intervention teams (CIT) as employees of a law enforcement agency or under a legal agreement with a law enforcement agency.

Training programs and related funding requests must address one or more of the areas of focus listed below:

1. **De-escalation tactics and alternatives to use of force.** For purposes of this funding opportunity, the term “de-escalation” means taking action or communicating verbally or nonverbally during a potential force encounter in an attempt to stabilize the situation and reduce the immediacy of the threat so that more time, options, and resources can be called upon to resolve the situation without the use of force or with a reduction in the force necessary.
2. **Safely responding to an individual experiencing a mental or behavioral health or suicidal crisis.** Such a crisis is one in which the behavior of a person puts the person at risk of hurting himself or herself or others or impairs or prevents the person from being able to care for himself or herself or function effectively in the community. This also includes situations in which a person is under the influence of a drug or alcohol, is suicidal, or experiences symptoms of a mental illness; or may exhibit symptoms, including emotional reactions (such as fear or anger), psychological impairments (such as inability to focus, confusion, or psychosis), and behavioral reactions (such as the activation of a freeze, fight, or flight response). Under this focus area, applicants can request funds for co-responding clinicians.
3. **Safe encounters with individuals with disabilities.** The term “disability” has the meaning given that term in section 3 of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12102).

4. **Successfully participating on a crisis intervention team.** The term “crisis intervention team” means a collaborative, interdisciplinary team that brings together specially trained law enforcement officers, mental health providers, and other community stakeholders to respond to mental health–related calls, use appropriate de-escalation techniques, and assess if referral to services or transport for mental health evaluation is appropriate.
5. **Making referrals to community-based services and support.** This may include mental and behavioral health services and support, housing assistance programs, public benefits programs, the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline, and other services.

Important Notice – Upcoming Law Enforcement De-Escalation Training Act (LEDTA) National Standards. Please visit <https://ledtatraining.org/>. If applicable, the COPS Office will notify your organization of any award requirements to align with LEDTA national standards

The COPS Office seeks to promote safe outcomes during police encounters through relevant training through this NOFO in the following **three funding categories**:

Category 1: FY26 Safer Outcomes: Support for Law Enforcement Agencies

Proposed projects for this category must address one or more of the areas of focus listed in the Purpose section of this funding opportunity.

Requirements

In the application materials, successful applicants must provide evidence that the proposed training program meets the following requirements:

- The program has clearly defined learning objectives.
- Training is led by instructors with practical experience in the content.
- Training includes scenario-based discussion relevant to the content.
- Participant learning is assessed with both pre- and post-training assessments.
- Participant satisfaction is assessed post-training.

Training funded under this program must emphasize that it is not designed or intended to teach officers to diagnose individuals with a particular mental health disorder, disability, or personality type.

For applicants requesting funds to support embedded co-responder crisis intervention teams, successful applicants must address the following:

- Current scope and capacity of mental health response efforts, including any formal agreements with service providers and prosecutors, as well as challenges and unmet needs.
- Existing or proposed partnership between the law enforcement agency and the behavioral or mental health provider.
- Data and information demonstrating the demand and need for these services.
- Ways in which mental health services will be deployed and responses to individuals suffering from mental health issues will be improved by use of a CIT model.
- Planned service provider(s), or the process to select one or more service providers who will work with law enforcement and be compliant with local and state licensing of mental or behavioral service providers.
- Ways to determine the effectiveness of the program, including identifying any data gathered throughout the award period to assist with evaluation of the program's efficacy.
- Plans to maintain these efforts and programs after the grant period ends.
- A record of the agreement (MOU/MOA, contract, etc.) or a signed letter of intent detailing the partnership that will occur if awarded.

In addition,

- Applicant must affirm that any clinicians will be responding in a co-response model with law enforcement officers.
- If a clinician has been identified, the applicant must provide résumés/CVs or job descriptions of key staff involved in this project. If the clinician is not identified, the applicant will need to submit a résumé/CV for approval by the COPS Office prior to deployment.
- Travel to and attendance at a national conference on crisis intervention is encouraged.

Category 2: FY26 Safer Outcomes: Continuation of Regional De-Escalation Training Centers

Awards under this category will be made through two funding paths:

Path 1: The Continuation of Regional De-escalation Training Centers path will provide continuation funding for the provision of training and programming to state, local, Tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies in a multistate region.

Path 2: The Continuation and Coordination of Regional De-escalation Training Centers path will support the coordination of the Regional De-escalation Training Centers, as well as the provision of training and programming to state, local, tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies in a multistate region.

Regardless of the path selected, proposed projects for this category must address one or more of the areas of focus in the Purpose area of this funding opportunity.

Requirements

For both paths (unless otherwise noted), in the application materials, successful applicants must provide evidence that the proposed training program meets the following requirements:

- The program addresses one or more of the areas of focus described in this funding opportunity.
- The program has clearly defined learning objectives.
- Training is led by instructors with practical experience in the content.
- Training includes scenario-based discussion relevant to the content.
- Training must follow COPS Office Training Development and Delivery Guidelines, including objective/subjective measurement of training.
- Application includes a detailed explanation of how the applicant proposes to coordinate the efforts of the active COPS Office Regional De-Escalation Training Centers (Continuation and Coordination of Regional De-escalation Training Centers path only).

The regional de-escalation training centers should provide training and programming to a varied set of state, local, territorial, and tribal law enforcement agencies in a multistate region. The final regional coverage must be flexible post-award to ensure national coverage. In addition, the applicant should be prepared to coordinate with other regional training centers and the national training coordinator in the delivery of training.

For Path 2 applicants: The COPS Office is also interested in soliciting one of the Regional De-Escalation Training Centers applicants to be a coordinator who, in addition to its regional responsibilities as a training provider as described above, will also be responsible for supporting and coordinating with the other Regional De-Escalation

Training Centers to ensure consistency across the providers. The other training centers will also be engaged in an advisory board, collaborating in the development of any new training or modifications of existing training, including the train-the-trainer and online modules. The coordinator will create a structure to allow ongoing communication among the regional centers as well as a repository of training available by and to the independent centers. Finally, the national training coordinator will be responsible for reporting quarterly training numbers from the regional de-escalation training centers to the COPS Office.

If your center is interested in applying for the coordinator role and fulfilling these additional duties, please submit a separate attachment of no more than five pages that expresses your interest and capabilities. The center selected for this role will receive an additional \$250,000 to fulfill the coordinator duties. Applicants will need to develop two budget narratives, one for Path 1, the delivery of regional de-escalation trainings (up to \$500,000), and one for the Path 2 activities focused on coordination and additional resource development (up to \$250,000). The budget submitted in JustGrants should reflect one consolidated budget covering both segments of Path 1 and Path 2. The budget narrative attachment must include the breakdown and justification for both budgets.

Category 3: FY26 Safer Outcomes: Curriculum Integration for Law Enforcement Academies and State-Level Training Centers

This program promotes safe outcomes during police encounters through the integration of de-escalation and crisis response training into the curriculum of law enforcement academies and state-level training commissions. Partnerships with experts in adult learning concepts and curriculum development are highly encouraged. Awards under this funding opportunity will be made through two funding paths:

Funding Paths

Path 1: The Academy Path

Traditional academy curricula provide separate blocks of instruction on prescribed material, whereas a curriculum that integrates one or more concepts will revisit these concepts throughout the entire training program within the context of new material. De-escalation and crisis response concepts are ideal for integration because they are relevant in the contexts of many traditional law enforcement training domains, including use of force, criminal law, communication, and procedural justice. These awards are intended to provide resources for academies seeking to update, revise, and supplement basic training curricula in a way that includes integration of training on de-escalation and crisis response as described in the five areas of focus under the Purpose section of this funding opportunity.

Path 2: The Commission Path

Many state Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) entities enforce training standards or mandate various training curricula that have developed over time to reflect changes to legislation, technological advancements, and evolving responsibilities of the police profession. This can sometimes result in a set of standards or a program of training that is not clearly defined or synthesized. These awards are intended to provide resources for commissions seeking to update, revise, and supplement law enforcement training standards or mandated curricula in a way that includes integration of training on de-escalation and crisis response as described in the five focus areas under the Purpose section of this funding opportunity.

Requirements

For both paths (unless otherwise noted), the project description must include the following:

- A description of the applicant entity, including the source of the entity's authority to train and certify sworn officers.
- Identification of the law enforcement agency or agencies served by the applicant entity.
- A description of the applicant entity's training program for sworn officer candidates, including the topics covered (consider including the duration of the program, the frequency of new academy classes, the size of academy classes) (Academy path only).
- A description of the applicant entity's role in regulating and promoting training for law enforcement in the state (Commission path only).
- Identification of key project staff, including a description of relevant experience and capacity to complete project deliverables and, if the applicant is proposing to hire staff with project funds, a description of new positions proposed.
- A detailed explanation of how requested funding will be used to develop, revise, or enhance an integrated curriculum that includes one or more areas of focus identified in the Purpose section of the NOFO.
- The purchase of equipment or technology to support curriculum development or training is supported by the funding opportunity, but the applicant must explain how the purchase will support a broader initiative of de-escalation and crisis response-focused curriculum integration.
- A detailed description of project deliverables.

Trainings funded under this program must emphasize that they are not designed or intended to teach officers to diagnose individuals with a particular mental health disorder, disability, or personality type.

Priority consideration may be given to applications that demonstrate one or more of the following, as applicable to the proposed project:

- The proposed training program has been certified by a nationally recognized certification program or a state POST entity or developed by the U.S. Department of Justice.
- Applicants have demonstrated the ability to successfully implement previously funded awards and comply with all applicable COPS Office training delivery requirements.
- The proposed program includes follow-up assessment activities designed to evaluate participant knowledge retention and self-reported real-world application of skills following training delivery.
- The proposed program requires participants to engage in scenario-based training exercises and receive instructor feedback regarding participant performance.
- The proposed program incorporates partnerships with relevant subject matter experts, including mental health professionals and/or individuals with experience relevant to the training content.
- The proposed program demonstrates a multidisciplinary approach designed to enhance communication and collaboration among law enforcement, emergency communications and dispatch personnel, nonsworn public safety personnel, and mental health and social service professionals.
- Applicants propose to focus training deliveries in rural areas.

Projects Out of Scope

The following projects and activities are out of scope for all program categories and will not be considered for funding:

- Training programs that focus solely on hands-on tactical training, force-on-force skill building, or other topic areas that do not directly contribute to the implementation of a de-escalation or crisis response mindset among officers or deputies.
- Training requests for crisis or hostage negotiation.
- Applications that seek only to purchase equipment or technology, including AR/VR systems, without incorporating such purchases into a broader de-escalation or crisis response training program.
- Training requests designed or intended to teach officers to diagnose individuals with a particular mental health disorder, disability, or personality type.

Additional Out-of-Scope Requirements by Program Category

Support for Law Enforcement Agencies

The following additional projects and activities are out of scope under the Support for Law Enforcement Agencies category and will not be considered:

- Applications submitted by entities other than state, local, tribal, or territorial law enforcement agencies.
- Applications proposing the implementation of alternative or independent responses by clinician(s).
- Projects related to the hiring of sworn law enforcement personnel.

Continuation of Regional De-Escalation Training Centers

The following additional projects and activities are out of scope under the Continuation of Regional De-Escalation Training Centers category and will not be considered:

- Applications submitted by entities that have not previously received funding under the Regional De-Escalation Training Center program.

Curriculum Integration for Law Enforcement Academies and State-Level Training Centers

The following additional projects and activities are out of scope under the Curriculum Integration for Law Enforcement Academies and State-Level Training Centers category and will not be considered:

- Applications submitted by entities other than law enforcement training academies or state-level regulatory bodies with the authority to establish training standards or mandate law enforcement training curricula.
- Applications proposing standalone training activities that are not integrated into a broader curriculum or training program

See the [Eligible Applicants](#) section for eligibility details.

All awards are subject to the availability of appropriated funds and any modifications or additional requirements that may be imposed by law.

Funding Details

Announcement Type	[Initial]
Assistance Listing Number	16.710
Statutory Authority	Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, as amended, and the Violent Crime Control

	and Law Enforcement Act of 1994, Title I, Part Q, Public Law 103-322, 34 U.S.C. § 10381 et seq.
Grants.gov Opportunity Number	O-COPS-2026-172549
Expected Total Amount of Funding for this Funding Opportunity	\$13,000,000
Anticipated Number of Awards Anticipated Award Amount Award Type	Category 1: FY26 Safer Outcomes: Support for Law Enforcement Agencies • Anticipated Number of Awards: Up to 22 • Anticipated Award Amount: Up to \$350,000 • Award Type: Grant Category 2: FY26 Safer Outcomes: Continuation of Regional De-Escalation Training Centers • Anticipated Number of Awards: Up to 4 • Anticipated Award Amount: Up to \$750,000 • Award Type: Cooperative Agreement Category 3: FY26 Safer Outcomes: Curriculum Integration for Law Enforcement Academies and State-Level Training Centers • Anticipated Number of Awards: Up to 6 • Anticipated Award Amount: Up to \$500,000 • Award Type: Grant
Expected Award Period(s)	24 months, starting on October 1, 2026

Key Dates and Times

NOFO Release Date	July 21, 2026
Pre-application Webinar	April 23, 2026
Step 1: Grants.gov Deadline	04:59 p.m. ET on August 27, 2026
Step 2: JustGrants Deadline	04:59 p.m. ET on September 3, 2026
Anticipated Notification Date	On or after October 1, 2026

See [Questions?](#) at the end of this NOFO for agency contact information.

2. ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Applicants

The types of entities that are eligible to apply for this funding opportunity are listed below:

Category 1: FY26 Safer Outcomes: Support for Law Enforcement Agencies

Eligibility is limited to state, local, tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies. Agencies must have primary law enforcement jurisdiction within their area of responsibility. Agencies that respond only to certain types of crimes, such as statewide investigative agencies, or only to crimes occurring within correctional institutions, are ineligible.

- Government Entities
 - State governments
 - County governments
 - City or township governments
 - Special district governments
 - Native American Tribal governments (federally recognized)
 - Native American Tribal governments (other than federally recognized)
- Other

“Other” Entities Definition(s)

State Government Entities: For the purposes of this NOFO, “state” means any state of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Other Units of Local Government: For the purposes of this notice of funding opportunity, other units of local government include towns, boroughs, parishes, villages, or other general purpose political subdivisions of a state

Category 2: FY26 Safer Outcomes: Continuation of Regional De-Escalation Training Centers

Eligibility is limited to organizations that have received funding from the Safer Outcomes or Regional De-Escalation Training Center programs in prior fiscal years (FY21-FY25).

- Educational Organizations
 - Public and state-controlled institutions of higher education
 - Private institutions of higher education

- Nonprofit Organizations
 - Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), other than institutions of higher education
 - Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education

Category 3: FY26 Safer Outcomes: Curriculum Integration for Law Enforcement Academies and State-Level Training Centers

Eligibility is limited to law enforcement training academies or state-level regulatory bodies with the authority to establish training standards or mandate training curriculum for law enforcement:

- Government Entities
 - State governments
 - County governments
 - City or township governments
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Other Units of Local Government: For the purposes of this notice of funding opportunity, other units of local government include towns, boroughs, parishes, villages, or other general purpose political subdivisions of a state.

Cost Sharing (Match) Requirement: This NOFO does **not** require cost sharing (match).

Additional Eligibility Factors

State and local governmental entities must comply with 8 U.S.C. §1373, which provides that State and local government entities may not prohibit, or in any way restrict, any government entity or official from sending to, receiving from, maintaining, or exchanging information regarding citizenship or immigration status, lawful or unlawful, of any individual with components of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security or any other federal, state or local government entity. This includes any prohibitions or restrictions imposed or established by a State or local government entity or official.

See [Additional Application Components](#) for how to submit.

3. PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Statutory Authority

Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, as amended, and the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994, Title I, Part Q, Public Law 103-322, 34 U.S.C. § 10381 et seq.

Agency Funding Priorities

Consistent with Administration priorities for categories 1 and 2, additional consideration will be provided to the following:

- Agencies that serve small and rural communities. Applicants are allowed to self-identify whether their jurisdiction type is rural based on their own geographical considerations.
- Agencies that cooperate with federal law enforcement to address illegal immigration. This includes agencies that have a Memorandum of Agreement with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) delegating limited immigration officer authority and allowing access and notice to DHS personnel for agencies that operate detention and correctional facilities.
- Agencies that coordinate and participate with the Homeland Security Task Force (HSTF) or, if awarded, plan to coordinate and participate with the HSTF.
- Agencies that submit accurate race and ethnicity information in the National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS).

Note: Addressing these priorities is one of many factors that the COPS Office considers in making funding decisions. Receiving priority consideration does not guarantee funding.

Unallowable Activities: The COPS Office has identified activities that are unallowable and will not be funded: read the [FY26 Safer Outcomes Application Resource Guide](#) for details. In addition, refer to the [Budget](#) section in this NOFO for information on allowable and unallowable costs to help you develop your application.

Goals and Objectives of this Funding Opportunity

Goal: The Safer Outcomes program will expand access to quality training on de-escalation and crisis response strategies for law enforcement officers, support personnel employed by law enforcement agencies, and associated mental health professionals.

- **Objective 1:** Safer Outcomes funding will provide state, local, territorial, and tribal law enforcement agencies with the resources they need to secure, deliver, and assess quality de-escalation and crisis response training and to promote safer encounters with individuals in crisis.

- **Objective 2:** Safer Outcomes funding will integrate de-escalation and crisis response strategies throughout the core curriculum of recruit-level training academies for state, local, territorial, and tribal law enforcement officers.
- **Objective 3:** Safer Outcomes funding will integrate de-escalation and crisis response training into the mandated curriculum and training standards of state level law enforcement training commissions.

Expected Outcomes

The COPS Office expects recipients to submit deliverables and performance reports, as described below and in the [FY26 Safer Outcomes Application Resource Guide](#). The COPS Office will measure success by reviewing a recipient's submission of performance reports and data and the extent to which project implementation reflects progress toward the goals and objectives of this NOFO.

Deliverables

Category 1: FY26 Safer Outcomes: Support for Law Enforcement Agencies

Recipients will be expected to submit one or more the following:

- Trainings delivered (agencies will be required to report on the number of individuals trained during each performance period).
- Training curricula developed.
- New training aides created (e.g., videos, toolkits, presentations).
- Data related to the co-responder services such as number of calls, case referrals and outcomes, civil commitments, law enforcement time spent, time recovered, repeat calls for service, etc.
- Reports generated as the result of data analysis or after-action review.
- Policies created or revised.
- Presentations or reports of findings relevant to the projects funded through this grant.

Category 2: FY26 Safer Outcomes: Continuation of Regional De-Escalation Training Centers

Recipients will be expected to submit one or more the following:

- Trainings delivered (centers will be required to report monthly on the number of trainings held and the number of individuals trained)
- Training curricula developed
- New training aides created (e.g., videos, toolkits, presentations)
- Presentations, reports, or data relevant to the projects funded through this award.

Substantial Involvement of Federal Agency: The COPS Office expects to make awards as cooperative agreements, which allows the COPS Office to have substantial involvement in carrying out the project. Read the [FY26 Safer Outcomes Application Resource Guide](#) for a discussion of this involvement and related award conditions.

Category 3: FY26 Safer Outcomes: Curriculum Integration for Law Enforcement Academies and State-Level Training Centers

Recipients will be expected to submit one or more the following:

- Trainings delivered
- Training curricula developed
- New training aides created (e.g., videos, toolkits, presentations)
- Reports generated as the result of data analysis or after-action review
- Policies created or revised
- Standards created or revised
- Presentations or reports of findings relevant to the projects funded through this grant
- Evaluations of the effectiveness of new or enhanced training integration

4. APPLICATION CONTENTS AND FORMAT

Application Contents List

The COPS Office will only consider applications that contain all required parts, which are marked ***REQUIRED*** below. Refer to the [DOJ Grant Application Submission Checklist](#) for application instructions. All supporting documents and resources for this program are on the COPS Office website at <https://cops.usdoj.gov/saferoutcomes>

Please **do not** include any content, including attachments or language within your application, commenting on, modifying, challenging, and/or editing the grant requirements, including the terms and conditions. Such content, if included, will not be **reviewed or considered** when evaluating your application, nor will any attachment from an applicant unilaterally change the terms of a grant if awarded.

Application Item	Submission Type
Step 1: Grants.gov	
Application for Federal Assistance: SF-424 *REQUIRED*	Online Form
Step 2: JustGrants	
Standard Applicant Information *REQUIRED*	Online Form
Proposal Abstract *REQUIRED*	Text Box
Data Requested with Application *REQUIRED* - FY26 Safer Outcomes Program - FY26 CPA Information - CPA General Solicitation Questions	Online Form
Proposal Narrative *REQUIRED FOR CATEGORIES 2 AND 3 ONLY*	Attachment
Budget *REQUIRED*	Online Form
Other Budget/Financial Attachments - Budget Narrative *REQUIRED* - Non-Competitive Justification (if applicable) - Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (if applicable) - Consultant Rate (if applicable)	Attachment
Memorandum of Understanding (if applicable)	Attachment
Additional Application Components - Curricula Vitae or Résumés: for all key personnel, subject matter experts or evaluators/academics outside of the law enforcement agency) *REQUIRED FOR CATEGORIES 2 AND 3 ONLY* - Project Timeline (timeline of activities mapped to the goals and objectives of the proposed project) *REQUIRED* - Letters of Support: (recommended for multi-jurisdictional/multi-agency projects) Optional	Attachment

Standard Applicant Information ***REQUIRED***

Read the [FY26 Safer Outcomes Application Resource Guide](#) for full details on this section.

Proposal Abstract *REQUIRED*

Read the [FY26 Safer Outcomes Application Resource Guide](#) for full details on this section.

Data Requested with Application *REQUIRED*

A copy of the survey questions required for this NOFO can be found at <https://cops.usdoj.gov/saferoutcomes>.

Proposal Narrative *REQUIRED FOR CATEGORIES 2 AND 3 ONLY*

Read the [FY26 Safer Outcomes Application Resource Guide](#) for full details on this section.

Budget and Associated Documentation *REQUIRED*

Read the [FY26 Safer Outcomes Application Resource Guide](#) for full details on this section.

Budget/Financial Attachments *REQUIRED*

Read the [FY26 Safer Outcomes Application Resource Guide](#) for full details on this section.

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and Supporting Documents

Read the [FY26 Safer Outcomes Application Resource Guide](#) for full details on this section.

Additional Application Components

Read the [FY26 Safer Outcomes Application Resource Guide](#) for full details on this section.

Disclosures and Assurances

Read the [FY26 Safer Outcomes Application Resource Guide](#) for more information.

5. SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND DEADLINES

The [DOJ Grant Application Submission Checklist](#) provides instructions for how to submit by the deadlines. [Executive Order \(E.O.\) 12372](#) (Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs) applies to this funding opportunity.

Read COPS Office policy for applicants to request late submission due to technical difficulties, severe weather, or natural or manmade disasters in the [FY26 Safer Outcomes Application Resource Guide](#).

6. APPLICATION REVIEW INFORMATION

The [FY26 Safer Outcomes Application Resource Guide](#) explains the responsiveness review, review criteria, and review and selection process, including risk review and deciding official.

7. AWARD NOTICES

Read about the award notification process in the [FY26 Safer Outcomes Application Resource Guide](#).

8. POST-AWARD REQUIREMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

Read the [FY26 Safer Outcomes Application Resource Guide](#) for more information about standard award terms and conditions, administrative and national policy requirements, and post-award reporting requirements.

9. QUESTIONS?

NOFO Contact	COPS Office Response Center Phone: 800-421-6770 Email: AskCopsRC@usdoj.gov Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET Monday – Friday (closed federal holidays)
SAM.gov Help Desk	Website: https://sam.gov/content/help Hours: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. ET Monday – Friday
Grants.gov Help Desk	Phone: 800-518-4726 Email: support@grants.gov Website: https://www.grants.gov/support Hours: 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (closed federal holidays)
JustGrants Help Desk	Phone: 833-872-5175 Email: JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov Hours: 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. ET Monday – Friday (9 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET Saturday, Sunday, and federal holidays)