

October 4, 2013

RE: COPS Office Grant Management Services

Fiscal Year 2013 appropriations to fund federal government operations expired at midnight EDT on Monday, September 30, 2013. However, the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) has determined that it has sufficient resources to operate at a reduced capacity through Friday, October 11, 2013. This is consistent with the Department of Justice Contingency Plan (<http://www.justice.gov/jmd/publications/doj-contingency-plan.pdf>).

This means that COPS staff will be available to assist grantees, stakeholders, and the public on a limited basis. If the lapse of appropriations extends beyond October 11, 2013, COPS will reassess its funding situation and will keep grantees informed. With respect to our limited activities, please be advised that effective Monday, October 7, 2013:

- COPS grant management services (e.g., application solicitations, post-award services such as modifications, etc.) will not be available;
- The COPS Online Account Access system will not be available;
- The Grant Payment Request System (GPRS) managed by the Office of Justice Programs will not be available;
- The COPS Office Grant Program Specialists, Staff Accountants, and other COPS Office staff will be available to respond to grantee inquiries on a limited basis.

Please continue to check the COPS Office's website (www.cops.usdoj.gov) for updates on the operations of the COPS Office and the federal government. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Sincerely,

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Acting Director