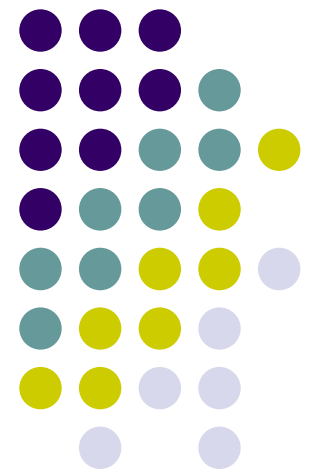


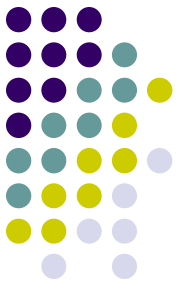
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 – Funding for Texas Criminal Justice



Federal Funding Streams for Criminal Justice



- Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG)
- Victims of Crime Act Grants/Crime Victim Assistance (VOCA)
- Violence Against Women Act Grants (VAWA)
- Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC)
- Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS)



Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG)

Supports states and local governments in the prevention and controlling of crime. Funding is available for programs in one or more of these areas:

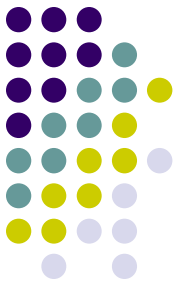
- ✓ Law enforcement.
- ✓ Prosecution and court.
- ✓ Prevention and education.
- ✓ Corrections and community corrections.
- ✓ Drug Treatment and enforcement.
- ✓ Planning, evaluation, and technology improvements.
- ✓ Crime victim and witness programs.

Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG)



- ✓ **\$2.0 billion** to states based on 2008 funding formulas.
- ✓ Texas will receive **\$147.5 million** total.
- ✓ Of that amount, 60% (\$90.3 million) will be distributed by the state and 40% (\$57.3 million) will be directly awarded to local entities.
- ✓ Of the \$90.3 million received by state agencies, the Governor's office must distribute 60% to local law enforcement entities.
- ✓ There are no matching fund requirements for these grants and all funds must be obligated by 9/30/2010.
- ✓ Travis County has been awarded \$140,885. The City of Austin has also been awarded \$1,776,844, and the City of Pflugerville has been awarded \$19,448.

Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG)



Competitive Byrne Grants are also available.

- ✓ A total of **\$225 million** has been allocated. As of March 12, 2009 it is unknown how this will be distributed to states and local governments.
- ✓ Competitive grants to improve the functioning of the criminal justice system to assist victims of crime (not compensation) and for youth mentoring programs. State and local law enforcement entities must apply directly to Bureau of Justice Assistance. All funds must be obligated by 9/30/2010.

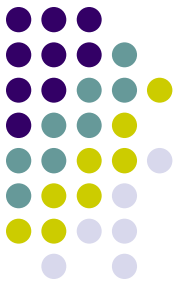
Victims of Crime Act/Crime Victim Assistance Programs



- ✓ **\$100 million** in federal dollars has been allocated.
- ✓ **\$9.9 million** to the Texas Governor's office and Office of the Attorney General.
- ✓ **\$2.1 million** will be allocated by formula to the Governor for grants to local law enforcement entities for programs that provide non-monetary services to crime victims.
- ✓ **\$7.8 million** will be allocated to the OAG for monetary compensation to crime victims.

This program has a 20% match requirement and allows states to provide direct support services to crime victims.

Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)



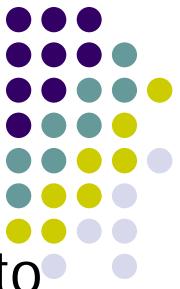
- ✓ **\$225 million** in formula grants to states.
- ✓ Texas will be allocated **\$9 million** funded through the Governor's Office. It is unknown as of 3/12/2009 what direct amounts will go to local governments.
- ✓ These monies will be allocated by formula to the Governor for grants to local law enforcement entities to combat violence against women.

There is a 25% match for local law enforcement agencies and no matching requirements for non-profit agencies.

VAWA allows states to:

- ✓ Fund law enforcement, prosecution, and court based strategies that address violent crimes against women, and non profit victim service programs.

Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC)



- ✓ **\$50 million** for projects through cooperative agreements to states.
- ✓ Texas has been allocated **\$2.9 million**.

Funds will be allocated by formula to local and state entities for fighting internet crimes against children.

The recipients of this money will be the Dallas Police Department and the Texas Office of the Attorney General as these two entities serve as the lead agencies for the Northern and Southern Texas Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

There are no matching requirements for these funds.

The program funds federal, state, and local task force programs as part of a national effort to combat the threat of offenders who use the internet to sexually exploit children.

Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS)



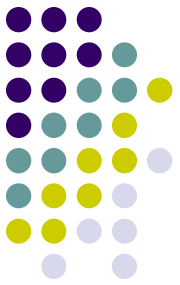
- ✓ **\$1 billion** has been allocated for COPS.

Community policing is a philosophy that promotes organizational strategies, which support the systematic use of partnerships and problem-solving techniques, to proactively address the immediate conditions that give rise to public safety issues such as crime, social disorder, and fear of crime.

It is unknown as of 3/12/2009 what amounts will go to state and local governments.

The Texas Department of Public Safety has been identified as the lead state agency. Competitive grants to state and local entities for the hiring and rehiring of additional career law enforcement officers.

Amounts available until 9/30/2010. No match is required.



Helpful Web Links

- ✓ <http://www.capcog.org/in-the-news/american-recovery-and-reinvestment-stimulus-fund-announcements/>
- ✓ <http://www.capcog.org/documents/CriminalJustice/Approved%202009-2010%20Travis%20County%20Community%20Plan.pdf>