

Mission:

The Center for Faith-based and Neighborhood Partnerships leads the U.S. Department of Justice's efforts to develop partnerships and provide relevant information to faith-based and community organizations and expand their participation in Department of Justice initiatives.

Priority Focus Areas:

Faith and community leaders from across the country are working with the Center for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships at the U.S. Department of Justice and the White House Office for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships on a wide variety of issues. The DOJ Center's focus is on three priority areas:

• **Promoting Responsible Fatherhood:**

www.fatherhood.gov

The DOJ CFBNP works to advance the goals of the President's National Fatherhood & Mentoring initiative within DOJ and among criminal Justice stakeholders.

• **Preventing Youth & Gang Violence:**

www.findyouthinfo.gov

The DOJ CFBNP plays an important leadership role engaging faith and community-based groups in the coordination of the National Forum on Youth Violence Prevention. The Forum is working with cities throughout the country to develop and implement comprehensive youth violence prevention plans.

• **Effective Prisoner Reentry:**

www.nationalreentryresourcecenter.org

The DOJ CFBNP is an active part of the Federal Interagency Reentry Council, supporting the Administration's efforts to make communities safer, reduce recidivism, and assist those returning from prison or jail in becoming productive citizens. This effort includes efforts to promote programs and policies that support the **Children of Incarcerated Parents**.



A White House Initiative

Evidence Based Programming:

OJP considers programs and practices to be evidenced-based when their effectiveness has been positively demonstrated by causal evidence (generally obtained through one or more rigorous outcome evaluations). Causal evidence documents a relationship between an activity or intervention (including technology) and its intended outcome, including measuring the direction and size of a change and the extent to which a change may be attributed to the activity or intervention. Causal evidence depends on the use of scientific methods to rule out, to the extent possible, alternative explanations for the documented change.

The **CrimeSolutions.gov** website is a resource that assists practitioners and policy makers in finding information about evidence-based programs in criminal justice, juvenile justice, and crime victim services.

Useful Sources:

- The **Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)** supports collaboration between state and local agencies and faith- and community-based organizations to meet the needs of offenders returning to their communities from prisons and jails.
www.bja.gov
- The **Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP)** supports community and faith-based organizations in their efforts to develop and implement effective and coordinated prevention and intervention programs and to improve the juvenile justice system.
www.ojjdp.gov
- The **Office for Victims of Crime (OVC)** has made funds available to promote greater participation by community and faith-based organizations in victim services.
www.ovc.gov
- The **White House Office of Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships (WHOFBNP)** within the Domestic Policy Council works to form partnerships between the Federal Government and faith-based and neighborhood organizations to more effectively serve Americans in need.
www.whitehouse.gov/ofbnp

Fast Facts:

- 1 in 3 American children live without their biological father
- 1 in 28 American children have a parent in prison
- 1 in 6 violent crimes is committed by youth under age 18
- Over 700,000 incarcerated people are released each year

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How to Apply for Grants

Faith-based and other community organizations are eligible to apply for Department of Justice grants or contracts from the Bureau of Prisons, the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, the Office of Justice Programs, the Civil Rights Division, and the Office on Violence Against Women. The Department of Justice, through the Office of Justice Programs and the Office on Violence Against Women, also awards formula and block grants to state governments. State governments may then award sub-grants to faith-based and community organizations, among other types of eligible applicants. A directory of state government contacts for formula and block grant programs is available on the [State Administering Agencies](#) web page. www.ojp.gov/saa

One of the goals of the DOJ Center for Faith-based and Neighborhood Partnerships is to make sure that community organizations are aware of grant opportunities that are relevant to them. Our Center does not administer or manage any Federal grants. However, the information and links below can help you identify those grant opportunities where faith-based and neighborhood organizations are being engaged as partners throughout the Department of Justice.

[Office of Justice Programs](#) (OJP) mission is to provide federal leadership in developing the nation's capacity to prevent and control crime, improve the criminal and juvenile justice systems, increase knowledge about crime and related issues, and assist crime victims. OJP is comprised of the Bureau of Justice Assistance, the Bureau of Justice Statistics, the National Institute of Justice, the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention and the Office for Victims of Crime. OJP publishes program solicitations at www.ojp.gov/funding/solicitations.htm

[Bureau of Prisons](#) awards contracts to for-profit and non-profit entities - including faith-based and other community organizations - for various types of services including the operation of halfway houses and substance abuse treatment. Active solicitations, or a request for contract bids, are posted at www.fedbizopps.gov, the federal business opportunities website.

[Community Oriented Policing Services \(COPS\)](#) =Office provides grants to tribal, state, and local law enforcement agencies to hire and train community-policing professionals, acquire and deploy cutting-edge crime-fighting technologies, and develop and test innovative policing strategies. Tribal, state and local law enforcement agencies are encouraged to collaborate with faith-based and other community organizations. For COPS Office funding opportunities, www.cops.usdoj.gov

[Office on Violence Against Women](#) (OVW) coordinates the Department's efforts to implement the Violence Against Women Act. OVW publishes program solicitations at www.ovw.usdoj.gov

Grants websites: [Accessing Resources for Community and Faith-based Organizations](#) - This is a rich and comprehensive resource that supports effective navigation through the Federal grants process. www.nttac.org

[Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov)—This electronic system allows you to search for grant opportunities across multiple factors such as Agency, Services, Populations, and most Recently Announced.

[USAspending.gov](https://www.usaspending.gov)—This electronic system allows you to identify grants that have been awarded to entities in your community.

Useful Publications



www.ojp.gov/fbnp