

# FY 2024 PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS' BENEFITS (PSOB) NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT SURVIVOR SUPPORT AND NATIONAL FIREFIGHTER AND FIRST RESPONDER SURVIVOR SUPPORT PROGRAMS COMPETITIVE GRANT

## IMPORTANT DEADLINES



**GRANTS.GOV:**  
SEPTEMBER 4, 2024

**JUSTGRANTS:**  
SEPTEMBER 9, 2024

### Who May Apply:

Native American tribal organizations (other than federally recognized tribal governments); nonprofits with or without 501(c)(3) status, other than institutions of higher education; for-profit organizations other than small businesses; small businesses

### Why Apply:

Receive funding to provide the families of fallen and injured law enforcement officers, firefighters, and other first responders with support with filing applications for federal benefits for line-of-duty deaths and catastrophic injuries. This program also provides survivor peer support and counseling services and resources to survivors of fallen law enforcement officers, firefighters, and other first responders nationwide, as well as recognizes families and fallen officers at national memorial events.

### Maximum per Award:

- Up to \$6,000,000 for both Category 1 and 2

### BJA encourages the following entities to apply:

- Agencies that have not previously received BJA funding.
- Convening or governing bodies that can apply on behalf of one or more entities.

### Examples of strategies/ activities that can be funded:

- Maintain a survivors' network for peer-to-peer counseling and related support for survivors of fallen law enforcement officers, firefighters, and other first responders, including survivor retreats offering professional and peer counseling.
- Enhance and deliver online training and technical assistance to support law enforcement agencies as they file for PSOB benefits on behalf of survivors of fallen law enforcement officers, firefighters, and other first responders and catastrophically injured public safety officers.
- Develop and implement memorial events during National Police Week and Firefighters Memorial Weekend, including a survivors' conference.
- Establish a formal partnership with a nationally recognized leader in the field of public safety officer suicide to assist survivors and agencies of law enforcement officers, firefighters, and other first responders who have died by suicide by developing and offering survivor support.
- Enhance and implement an initiative to increase awareness of PSOB benefits among law enforcement, firefighter, and other first responder agencies nationwide.



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## Where to get more information about this opportunity:

Visit [bja.ojp.gov/program/psob/about](https://bja.ojp.gov/program/psob/about) for more information about the program and [bja.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/o-bja-2024-172208](https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/o-bja-2024-172208) for the program's full funding information.

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## Tips for Success:

- **Start early!** To apply, you must first have a valid registration in the System for Award Management (SAM). **Registration and renewal can take up to 10 business days** to complete. Register at: [sam.gov/content/home](https://sam.gov/content/home).
  - For **questions** about the program's requirements or the application process, see the full solicitation at: [bja.ojp.gov/funding/O-BJA-2024-172208.pdf](https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/O-BJA-2024-172208.pdf) for information on who to contact.
  - Visit **BJA Funding Webinars** at: [bja.ojp.gov/events/funding-webinars](https://bja.ojp.gov/events/funding-webinars) and review the "Federal Funding Process: First Steps to Applying, How to Prepare Now, and Other Considerations."
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## How to apply and when:

Submit a two-step application.

- (1) Register in [Grants.gov](https://Grants.gov) and follow the prompts to submit two forms by September 4, 2024.
  - (2) Then complete the full application in [JustGrants.usdoj.gov](https://JustGrants.usdoj.gov) by September 9, 2024. The application's major elements are:
    - (a) The **proposal abstract** that summarizes the problem you wish to address with your project (no more than 400 words).
    - (b) The **proposal narrative** that describes your project's strategies, activities, and major deliverables as well as your capacity to address the problem.
    - (c) The **web-based budget** form that details how you will allocate the grant funds by task, date, and responsible person.
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