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JUSTICE DEPARTMENT AWARDS OVER \$55.8 MILLION TO SUPPORT OFFENDERS RETURNING TO COMMUNITIES

WASHINGTON – The Department of Justice’s Office of Justice Programs today announced awards totaling more than \$55.8 million to reduce recidivism among adults and youth returning to their communities after confinement.

OJP’s Bureau of Justice Assistance, National Institute of Justice, and Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention awarded grants to jurisdictions, research institutions, and other organizations in support of proven science-based approaches to reintegrate offenders into communities.

Fiscal Year 2019 awards include:

Adult Reentry and Recidivism Programs (\$39.3 million)

More than \$39.3 million was awarded under BJA’s Second Chance Act suite of grant programs. These grant awards are designed to help communities develop and implement comprehensive and collaborative strategies to address the challenges posed by reentry and recidivism:

BJA awarded nearly \$12.8 million to 13 jurisdictions through its *Improving Reentry for Adults with Co-occurring Substance Abuse and Mental Illness Program*. This program improves access to and delivery of standardized screening and assessment, comprehensive case management, and pre- and post-release programming for returning inmates. The program prioritizes coordination among corrections, substance use and mental health treatment providers. Recipients include:

Awardee State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Alabama	Alabama Board of Pardons and Paroles	\$1,000,000
Arizona	Pima County	\$1,000,000
California	Alameda County Health Care Services	\$998,800
California	County of Los Angeles	\$1,000,000
Florida	Miami-Dade County	\$1,000,000
Georgia	County of Fulton	\$1,000,000
Hawaii	Hawaii Department of Health	\$800,000
Mississippi	Mississippi Department of Corrections	\$1,000,000
Nebraska	Douglas County, Nebraska	\$999,462
New York	Erie County of New York	\$1,000,000

Awardee State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Puerto Rico	Puerto Rico Department of Correction and Rehabilitation	\$1,000,000
Utah	County of Weber	\$999,999
Washington	Pacific County Sheriff's Office	\$1,000,000

Under its *Innovative Reentry Initiatives: Building System Capacity and Testing Strategies to Reduce Recidivism Program*, BJA made 14 awards totaling more than \$11.5 million. These awards enable states, local jurisdictions and federally-recognized Native American tribes and Alaska Native villages to identify assets and gaps in their reentry systems, as well as to develop capacity and partnerships to help prevent recidivism and reduce crime. Recipients include:

Awardee State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Arizona	Pascua Yaqui Tribe of Arizona	\$858,891
California	County of Los Angeles	\$1,000,000
Delaware	Office of the Executive Governor of Delaware	\$1,000,000
Illinois	County of Cook	\$1,000,000
Indiana	City of Indianapolis	\$905,700
Michigan	Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office	\$1,000,000
Nebraska	Lancaster County	\$999,994
New Jersey	New Jersey Department of Corrections	\$500,000
Ohio	Criminal Justice Coordinating Council	\$1,000,000
Pennsylvania	Office of the Managing Director, City of Philadelphia	\$957,498
Tennessee	Shelby County Government	\$602,482
Texas	Texas Department of Criminal Justice	\$505,410
Washington	Skagit County	\$997,407
Wisconsin	St. Croix Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin	\$249,938

BJA also made 11 awards totaling nearly \$9.5 million under the *Second Chance Act Comprehensive Community-based Adult Reentry Program*. This program provides funds to community and faith-based organizations that provide services to program participants transitioning from jail or prison back to communities. These awards help facilitate partnerships between these organizations and corrections, parole, probation, law enforcement and other reentry service providers to meet the needs of those individuals at medium to high risk of reoffending. Recipients include:

Awardee State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Alabama	The Link of Cullman County, Inc.	\$500,000
California	Insight Garden Program	\$494,817
D.C.	MBI Research Institute, Inc.	\$999,400
Florida	The Lord's Place, Inc.	\$1,000,000
Illinois	Safer Foundation	\$1,000,000
Massachusetts	Roca, Inc.	\$998,607
Michigan	Berrien-Base-Van Buren Workforce Development Board, Inc.	\$1,000,000
Ohio	Goodwill Industries of Northwest Ohio	\$999,974
Pennsylvania	Family Services of Montgomery County	\$1,000,000
South Dakota	Lutheran Social Services of South Dakota	\$999,702
West Virginia	The Lifehouse, Inc.	\$500,000

BJA also awarded nearly \$5 million to six jurisdictions under the FY 2019 *Innovations in Supervision: Building Capacity to Create Safer Communities Program*. This program provides state and local community corrections agencies with information, resources, and training and technical assistance on ways to improve their supervision capacity. These funds also help recipients leverage partnerships with other justice agencies to prevent recidivism and reduce crime in their jurisdictions. Recipients include:

Awardee State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Connecticut	Connecticut Judicial Branch	\$613,957
Idaho	Idaho Department of Correction	\$1,000,000
Kentucky	Kentucky Department of Corrections	\$923,138
Nebraska	Nebraska Board of Parole	\$553,445
Ohio	Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court	\$1,000,000
Texas	Dallas County Community Supervision and Corrections Department	\$868,054

BJA also awarded \$500,000 to the Vera Institute of Justice, a continuation of funding from a FY 2017 competitive grant program. The Institute directly supports jurisdictions' public housing authorities and associated criminal justice partners to review and substantially change admission policies for ex-offenders. Vera Institute also provides training and technical assistance to help connect local and state reentry councils to public housing authorities and HUD providers selected to disseminate Continuum of Care funding.

Reentry Services for Youth and Families (\$11.2 million)

More than \$11.2 million awarded to supplement reentry services for detained juveniles and incarcerated parents with children under 18.

More than \$4.5 million was awarded to seven jurisdictions under OJJDP's *Second Chance Act Addressing the Needs of Incarcerated Parents with Minor Children Program*, which supports the successful and safe transition of young fathers and mothers from detention, out-of-home placement, or incarceration to their families and communities. Recipients include:

Awardee State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Connecticut	State of Connecticut Department of Children and Families	\$675,000
Indiana	Vanderburgh County Community Corrections	\$683,000
New York	Columbia County, New York	\$505,230
Massachusetts	Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Correction	\$675,000
Montana	Montana Department of Corrections	\$675,000
Ohio	Franklin County, Ohio	\$673,335
Tennessee	County of Rutherford	\$617,748

Over \$6.7 million was awarded to nine jurisdictions under OJJDP's *Second Chance Act Youth Offender Reentry Program*. This program awards grants to improve reentry outcomes for incarcerated youth, encouraging collaboration between state agencies, local government, and community- and faith-based organizations. Recipients include:

Awardee State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Alaska	State of Alaska Division of Juvenile Justice	\$523,700
Florida	Florida Department of Juvenile Justice	\$775,775

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Georgia	Georgia Department of Juvenile Justice	\$775,775
Illinois	Illinois Department of Human Services	\$775,775
Iowa	Iowa Department of Human Rights	\$775,775
Maine	Maine Department of Corrections	\$775,775
Massachusetts	Commonwealth of Massachusetts	\$775,775
North Carolina	North Carolina Department of Public Safety	\$775,775
Ohio	County of Lucas, Ohio	\$775,775

Research and Evaluation (\$5.2 million)

The National Institute of Justice awarded just over \$5.2 million to five recipients to perform rigorous research examining the success of reentry strategies, programs and practices. This includes evaluations of innovative reentry initiatives that specifically focus on juveniles, young adults (ages 18-24), and adults with a moderate to high risk of reoffending. The funding was awarded through NIJ's *Research and Evaluation on Promising Reentry Initiatives Program*. Findings from the research will inform, in part, the Second Chance Act Community-based Adult Reentry Program, help practitioners and policymakers implement effective interventions and advance the body of knowledge on best practices in offender reentry.

Awardee State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Florida	Florida State University	\$1,197,172
Indiana	RHI Foundation, Inc.	\$792,751
Iowa	Iowa State University	\$641,386
Maryland	Abt Associates, Inc.	\$1,465,043
North Carolina	Research Triangle Institute	\$1,169,360

Additional information about Fiscal Year 2019 grant awards made by the Office of Justice Programs can be found online at the [OJP Awards Data webpage](#).

The Office of Justice Programs, directed by Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General Katharine T. Sullivan, provides federal leadership, grants, training, technical assistance and other resources to improve the nation's capacity to prevent and reduce crime, assist victims and enhance the rule of law by strengthening the criminal and juvenile justice systems. More information about OJP and its components can be found at www.ojp.gov.

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