

OJJDP FY 2026 Attorney General Alliance Child ID Kits Invitation to Apply

Grants.gov Funding Opportunity Number: O-OJJDP-2026-172566

Application Deadlines in Eastern Time (ET):

- 1: Complete SF-424 and Submit in Grants.gov: **March 19, 2026, by 11:59 p.m. ET**
 - 2: Submit full application in JustGrants: **March 26, 2026, by 8:59 p.m. ET**
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1. BASIC INFORMATION

Purpose of the Funding

This is a notice of funding opportunity (NOFO) for the OJJDP FY 2026 Attorney General Alliance Child ID Kits Invitation to Apply.

This funding opportunity will support the costs to purchase and distribute, in partnership with State Attorneys General's offices, inkless child-ID kits which may include fingerprinting, photographs, DNA samples, and emergency-contact information. The child-ID kits will be distributed to local law enforcement.

See the [Eligible Applicants](#) section for eligibility details.

Funding Details

Announcement Type	Initial
Assistance Listing Number	16.076
Statutory Authority	Title X, subtitle A, part II, section 100054, Public Law No. 119-21, "An act to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of H. Con. Res. 14," 139 Stat. 72, 389-391; 28 U.S.C. 530C.
Grants.gov Opportunity Number	O-OJJDP-2026-172566
Expected Total Amount of Funding	\$10 million
Anticipated Number of Awards	1
Award Type(s)	Grant
Anticipated Award Amount	\$10 million
Expected Award Period(s)	24 months

Key Dates and Times

NOFO Release Date	March 13, 2026
SAM.gov Registration/Renewal	Recommend beginning this process immediately.
Step 1: Grants.gov Deadline	11:59 p.m. ET on March 19, 2026
Step 2: JustGrants Deadline	8:59 p.m. ET on March 26, 2026

Contact Information

NOFO Contact	<p>OJP Response Center Phone: 800-851-3420 or 202-353-5556 (TTY for hearing-impaired callers only) Email: OJP.ResponseCenter@usdoj.gov Hours of operation: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time (ET) Monday–Friday</p>
SAM.gov Help Desk	<p>Website: https://sam.gov/content/help Hours: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. ET Monday–Friday</p>
Grants.gov Help Desk	<p>Phone: 800-518-4726 Email: support@grants.gov Website: https://www.grants.gov/support Hours: 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (closed federal holidays)</p>
JustGrants Help Desk	<p>Phone: 833-872-5175 Email: JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov Hours of operation: 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. ET Monday–Friday and 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET on Saturday, Sunday, and federal holidays.</p>

2. ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Applicants

The types of entities that are eligible to apply are:

“Other” Entities: Attorney General Alliance

Cost Sharing (Match) Requirement: This NOFO does **not** require cost sharing (match).

3. PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Statutory Authority

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Unallowable Uses of Funds

The following are certain unallowable costs and certain activities that are out of the program scope and will not be funded.

1. Out of program scope is any program or activity, at any tier that, directly or indirectly, violates (or promotes or facilitates the violation of) federal immigration law (including 8 U.S.C. § 1373) or impedes or hinders the enforcement of federal immigration law—including by failing to comply with 8 U.S.C. § 1373, give access to DHS agents, or honor DHS requests and provide requested notice to DHS agents.

2. Out of program scope is any program or activity, at any tier that violates any applicable Federal civil rights or nondiscrimination law. This includes violations that – (1) indirectly violate the law, including by promoting or facilitating violations; or (2) unlawfully favor individuals in any race or protected group, including on a majority or minority, or privileged or unprivileged, basis, within a given area, population, or sector.
3. As specified in the DOJ Grants Financial Guide, in Chapter 3.13 “Unallowable Costs” (“Legal Services for Aliens”), any obligations of funds, at any tier, under this award to provide (or to support the provision of) legal services to any removable alien or any alien otherwise unlawfully present in the United States shall be unallowable costs for purposes any award made under this notice, but the foregoing shall not be understood to apply— (1) to legal services to obtain protection orders for victims of crime; or (2) to immigration-related legal services that may be expressly authorized or required by any law, or any judicial ruling, governing or applicable to the award.

Goals and Objectives of this Funding Opportunity

Goal 1: Improve law enforcement response to and recovery of missing children.

Objective 1.1: Purchase inkless Child ID Kits to increase collection and storage of a child’s information in the case of emergency.

Objective 1.2: Distribute inkless Child ID Kits to local law enforcement along with education materials on how to use the Kits and actions to be taken when a child goes missing.

For a description of how awards under this NOFO will contribute to achieving these goals and objectives, see the [Performance Reports](#) section below.

Expected Outcomes

OJP expects recipients to submit deliverables and performance reports, as described below. Read the [Application Resource Guide](#) for more information. OJP will measure success by reviewing a recipient’s submission of performance reports and data and the extent to which project implementation reflects progress toward the goals and objectives of this NOFO.

Deliverables

Recipients will be expected to submit the following:

- Documentation of number of Child ID Kits purchased.
- Documentation of local law enforcement entities that received purchased Kits and how many Kits each entity received.

Performance Reports

OJP requires recipients to submit regular performance reports that communicate progress toward achieving funding opportunity goals and objectives. Read the [Application Resource Guide](#) for more information on performance reporting.

The recipient of this award will be required to submit performance measure data and performance reports in JustGrants on a semi-annual basis. The recipient will receive further guidance on post-award reporting processes.

4. APPLICATION CONTENTS AND FORMAT

Application Contents List

Refer to the [DOJ Grant Application Submission Checklist](#) for application instructions.

Please **do not** include any content, including attachments or language within your application, commenting, modifying, challenging, and/or editing the grant requirements including the terms and conditions. Such content, if included, will not be **reviewed or considered** when evaluating your application, nor will any attachment from an applicant unilaterally change the terms of a grant if awarded.

Application Item	Submission Type
Step 1: Grants.gov	
Application for Federal Assistance: SF-424	Online Form
Step 2: JustGrants	
Standard Applicant Information	Online Form
Proposal Abstract	Text Box
Data Requested with Application <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Financial Management and System of Internal Controls Questionnaire 	Online Form
Proposal Narrative	Attachment
Budget	Online Form
Other Budget/Financial Attachments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (if applicable) Consultant Rate (if applicable) 	Attachment
Memorandum of Understanding	Attachment
Additional Application Components <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Timeline 	Attachment

Standard Applicant Information

Review and edit as needed the information imported from the SF-424 submitted in Grants.gov and add ZIP codes for areas affected by the project.

Proposal Abstract

In JustGrants, enter a proposal abstract (limited to 2,000 characters) summarizing the proposed project. As abstracts for funded projects are public, do not include any personally identifying information (*e.g.*, staff names). The abstract should include the following information:

- The name of the applicant's proposed project.
- The purpose of the proposed project (*i.e.*, what the project will do and why it is necessary).
- Where the project will take place (*i.e.*, the service area, if applicable).

- Who will be served by the project (*i.e.*, who will be helped or have their needs addressed by the project).
- What activities will be carried out to complete the project.
- The subrecipient(s)/partner organizations or entities you have or plan to have procurement contracts if known.
- Deliverables and expected outcomes (*i.e.*, what the project will achieve).

See the [Application Resource Guide](#) for an example of a proposal abstract.

Data Requested with Application

Financial Management and System of Internal Controls Questionnaire (including Applicant Disclosure of High-Risk Status)

See the [Application Resource Guide](#) for guidance on completing this questionnaire.

Proposal Narrative

Format of the Proposal Narrative

Submit the narrative as an attachment in JustGrants. The narrative should be double-spaced, using a standard 12-point size font; have no less than 1-inch margins; have numbered pages; and should not exceed 5 pages. Tables, charts, and graphs included in the Proposal Narrative can be created in a legible font smaller than 12-point and will count toward the page limit.

Sections of the Proposal Narrative

The Proposal Narrative must include the four sections listed below.

- 1. Description of the Need:** What critical issue or problem is the applicant proposing to address with this project? Please include:
 - A brief explanation of the need to support crime prevention activities as part of a jurisdiction's comprehensive approach to criminal enforcement initiatives.
 - Supporting information, data, or evidence to demonstrate the existence of need, size, and impact on the target population and community.
- 2. Project Design and Implementation:** How will the applicant implement project activities that meet the goals and objectives? Please include:
 - Activities the applicant has or will conduct to achieve the proposed goals and objectives.
 - When the activities will take place.
 - Who in the applicant's organization will staff the activities, including key staff.

- Who will participate in and benefit from the activity.
 - What deliverables, reports, and other items will be produced as part of the project.
 - If the applicant plans to use subrecipients to help conduct the project, please name them (if they are known) or describe how the applicant will identify them. Please describe their role in conducting project activities.
3. **Capabilities and Competencies:** What administrative and technical capacity and expertise does the applicant bring to successfully complete this project? Please include:
- A short description of the applicant's capacity to deliver the proposed project and meet the requirements of the award, including collecting and reporting the required performance measure data. Who will be responsible for this task, and how will the applicant collect the data?
 - A summary of relevant experience of team members with key responsibilities for implementing the project.

Budget and Associated Documentation

Budget

Use the Budget Detail Worksheet (Web-Based Form) to submit the budget:

- List each cost needed to implement the project under the appropriate cost category.
- Clearly name and describe each cost.
- Show the computation of each cost (e.g., cost per unit, number of units, and total cost).
- Enter narrative, as needed, to explain the cost calculations and connection to your project goals, objectives, and activities.
- Include only costs that are reasonable, allocable, and necessary to implement the project. They must be allowable under the funding statute and agency requirements including [2 C.F.R. Part 200, Subpart E](#) and the [DOJ Grants Financial Guide](#). Read the [Application Resource Guide](#) and [Unallowable Uses of Funds](#) for information on unallowable costs.

Read the [Application Resource Guide](#) and [Complete the Application in JustGrants: Budget](#) for more information on how to prepare and submit a budget.

Budget/Financial Attachments

- **Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (if applicable):** If the budget includes indirect costs calculated using a current, federally approved indirect cost rate, upload your indirect cost rate agreement. Read the [Application Resource Guide](#) for more information about indirect costs.

- **Consultant Rate (if applicable):** OJP has established maximum rates for consultants; see the “Listing of Costs Requiring Prior Approval” section of the [DOJ Grants Financial Guide](#) for more information.

This notice of funding opportunity expressly modifies the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide by not incorporating the “Limitation on Use of Award Funds for Employee Compensation; Waiver” or “Disclosure of Process Related to Executive Compensation” provisions.

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and Supporting Documents

Attach a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) or letter of intent between the applicant and each of the project partner(s). The MOU/letter of intent should outline the roles, responsibilities, and intention to support the project through commitments of staff time, space, services, or other project needs. Read the [Application Resource Guide](#) for the definitions of “memorandum of understanding” and “letter of intent.”

Additional Application Components

Attach these in JustGrants:

- **Timeline:** Description Provide a timeline listing key activities and milestones, and the months during which they will take place

Disclosures and Assurances

Complete the disclosures and assurances in JustGrants. More information is available in the [Application Resource Guide](#).

5. SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND DEADLINES

This NOFO contains everything needed to apply. Refer to [Key Dates](#) for submission dates and times. The [DOJ Grant Application Submission Checklist](#) provides submission instructions. [Executive Order \(E.O.\) 12372](#) (Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs) does not apply to this funding opportunity. The [Application Resource Guide](#) has a policy for applicants to request late submission due to technical difficulties, severe weather, or natural or manmade disaster.

6. APPLICATION REVIEW INFORMATION

The [Application Resource Guide](#) explains the review process for invited applications, including risk review. All award decisions will be made by the Assistant Attorney General, unless a statute explicitly authorizes award decisions by another official or there is written delegation of authority to another official

7. AWARD NOTICES

For successful applicants, JustGrants will send a system-generated email with information on accessing and accepting the award package.

8. POST-AWARD REQUIREMENTS & ADMINISTRATION

Read the [Application Resource Guide](#) for more information about: standard award terms and conditions, administrative and national policy requirements, and post-award reporting requirements.