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JUSTICE DEPARTMENT AWARDS OVER \$74 MILLION TO SUPPORT ADULT AND YOUTH OFFENDERS RETURNING TO COMMUNITIES

WASHINGTON – The Department of Justice’s Office of Justice Programs today announced awards totaling nearly \$75 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 2018 awards include:

Adult Reentry and Recidivism Programs

More than \$54.5 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 made 26 awards totaling more than \$20.5 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. Recipients include:

Awardee State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Colorado	Mile High Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse	\$999,984
Delaware	The Way Home, Inc.	\$497,830
Florida	Pinellas Ex Offender Reentry Coalition	\$1,000,000
Hawaii	Going Home Hawaii	\$995,421
Illinois	YWCA McLean County	\$798,846
Illinois	Establishing, Managing & Generating Effective Services, Inc. (EMAGES)	\$500,000
Illinois	Kankakee County Renewed Opportunity	\$499,893
Kentucky	Mountain Comprehensive Care Center, Inc.	\$1,000,000
Michigan	Detroit Rescue Mission Ministries	\$990,990
Missouri	Missouri Bootheel Regional Consortium, Inc.	\$1,000,000
Missouri	The SoulFisher Ministries	\$500,000
Nevada	HOPE for Prisoners, Inc.	\$999,848
New York	Hope of Buffalo, Inc.	\$1,000,000
North Carolina	Freedom Life Ministries	\$500,000

Ohio	ForeverDads	\$475,953
Ohio	Medicine Wheel Recovery Services	\$412,359
Oklahoma	Resonance for Women, Inc.	\$992,224
Rhode Island	Amos House, Inc.	\$1,000,000
Tennessee	HopeWorks, Inc.	\$991,865
Tennessee	Middle Tennessee Rural Reentry	\$500,000
Texas	Family Pathfinders of Tarrant County, Inc.	\$1,000,000
Virginia	LOC Family Services	\$500,000
Washington	Port Gamble S’Klallam Tribe	\$995,680
Washington	The Successful Transition and Reentry (STAR) Project	\$447,202
Wisconsin	Center for Self-Sufficiency	\$999,257
Wisconsin	Rock Valley Community Programs, Inc.	\$947,693

BJA also made 13 awards totaling just over \$9 million under the *Second Change Act FY 2018 Improving Reentry for Adults with Co-Occurring Substance Abuse and Mental Illness Program*. This program improves access to and delivery of services to offenders with co-occurring substance abuse and mental illness who are reentering communities post-incarceration. Through treatment of released offenders with mental illness and substance abuse challenges, this program aims to reduce recidivism and promote public safety. Recipients include:

Awardee State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Mississippi	Mississippi Department of Corrections	\$715,230
Louisiana	Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections	\$749,996
Guam	Judiciary of Guam	\$736,289
Texas	Bexar County Hospital District d/b/a University Health System	\$750,000
Missouri	City of Kansas City, Missouri	\$750,000
Washington	Clark County Sheriff’s Office	\$750,000
North Carolina	County of Durham	\$749,771
California	County of Sonoma	\$750,000
Florida	Hillsborough County Board of County Commissioners	\$750,000
Colorado	Jefferson County	\$711,608
Montana	Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes	\$750,000
Alaska	Cook Inlet Tribal Council, Inc.	\$150,000
South Dakota	Lower Brule Sioux Tribe	\$749,700

BJA provided seven awards totaling nearly \$5.4 million to assist local jurisdictions, American Indian tribes, and Alaska Native villages with the resources and technical assistance necessary to build partnerships, capacity, and reentry systems to prevent recidivism, reduce crime, and improve public safety. These awards were made under BJA’s *Innovations in Reentry Initiative: Reducing Recidivism Through Systems Improvement*. Recipients include:

Awardee State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
California	Alameda County Probation Department	\$997,967
Florida	Broward Sheriff’s Office	\$414,504
Florida	City of Fort Myers Police Department	\$1,000,000
Massachusetts	City of Holyoke Police Department	\$979,057
Ohio	Cuyahoga County Office of Reentry	\$997,080
Texas	Bexar County Commissioners Court	\$500,000
Virginia	City of Richmond, Virginia, Sheriff’s Office	\$500,000

BJA also awarded more than \$5.1 million to six jurisdictions under the FY 2018 *Innovations in Supervision: Building Capacity for Safe Communities Program*. This program provides state and local probation and parole agencies with information, resources, training and technical assistance to improve capacity of supervision over high risk offenders with a history of serious violence. This program emphasizes building partnerships with other justice agencies to prevent recidivism and reduce crime. Recipients include:

Awardee State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Ohio	State of Ohio, Department of Rehabilitation and Correction	\$600,291
Illinois	Illinois Circuit Court of Cook County	\$620,668
Oregon	Multnomah County	\$650,000
Hawaii	Judiciary Courts of the State of Hawaii	\$649,778
Iowa	Second Judicial District Department of Correctional Services	\$649,066

BJA also awarded \$2 million to the Kentucky-based Council of State Governments, Ltd., to provide training and technical assistance to these six award recipients. This award is intended to further help awardees develop and implement innovative or evidence-based strategies to reduce recidivism among offenders at high risk of committing violent crime.

Four awards totaling more than \$3.5 million were made under BJA’s *Second Chance Act Statewide Recidivism Reduction Strategic Plan Implementation Program*. This program provides state agencies with resources and technical assistance to implement previously developed strategic plans that will result in improved reentry systems and reduced recidivism in offenders released from incarceration. Recipients include:

Awardee State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
District of Columbia	District of Columbia Department of Corrections	\$999,700
Delaware	Executive Office of the Governor of Delaware	\$509,471
Alaska	Alaska Department of Corrections	\$1,000,000
Utah	Utah Department of Corrections	\$1,000,000

BJA also made four awards totaling \$2.75 million in FY 2018 to provide continuation funding to award recipients under the FY 2016 *Second Chance Act Statewide Recidivism Reduction Strategic Plan Implementation Program*. The FY 2016 program enabled state corrections administrators—with support from governors—to design and implement practical, data-driven strategies to make system-level change possible, generating statewide reductions in crime and recidivism and increasing public safety. Recipients of supplemental funding include:

Awardee State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Arizona	Arizona Department of Corrections	\$350,000
Connecticut	Connecticut Department of Corrections	\$1,000,000
Indiana	Indiana Department of Corrections	\$500,000
Nevada	Nevada Department of Corrections	\$900,000

More than \$2 million was awarded to 11 state and tribal public safety and correctional departments under BJA’s *FY 2018 Second Chance Act Adult Reentry and Employment Strategic Planning Program*. This program aims to help states develop strategic plans and solutions to

increase offenders' employability and to make assessment-driven referrals for successful transition from correctional facilities to communities. Recipients include:

Awardee State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Arizona	Navajo Nation Judicial Branch	\$200,000
Connecticut	State of Connecticut Department of Corrections	\$184,954
Delaware	Executive Office of the Governor of Delaware	\$200,000
Florida	Florida Department of Corrections	\$195,408
Iowa	Iowa Department of Corrections	\$200,000
Louisiana	Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections	\$169,923
Minnesota	Minnesota Department of Corrections	\$189,909
Nevada	Nevada Department of Corrections	\$154,407
Texas	Texas Department of Criminal Justice	\$152,076
Vermont	State of Vermont Department of Corrections	\$199,160
Wisconsin	Wisconsin Department of Corrections	\$200,000

BJA also awarded more than \$6 million to the National Adult and Juvenile Offender Reentry Resource Center, a continuation of funding from a FY 2016 competitive grant program. The Center directly supports Second Chance Act grantees (adult and juvenile reentry programs) by identifying and promoting inmate and offender management practices that work, as well as innovative and promising approaches to reducing recidivism and strengthening reentry success. In addition to serving as the training and technical assistance provider to all Second Chance Act grantees, the Center also provides and maintains a central, online hub for reentry information dissemination to the field; provides overall reentry education to tribes, state and local government agencies and service providers; and assists both BJA and OJJDP in helping jurisdictions prioritize their reentry and recidivism reduction efforts and resources.

Reentry Services for Youth and Families

\$14.2 million was awarded to support jurisdictions and provide funding to researchers to supplement reentry services for detained juveniles and incarcerated parents with children under the age of 18. More than \$7.2 million was awarded to 10 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
California	County of Los Angeles	\$748,622
Florida	Miami-Dade County	\$698,315
Maryland	Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention	\$665,621
Maryland	Dorchester County Health Department	\$675,146
New Jersey	New Jersey Department of Corrections	\$741,924
Ohio	Ohio Department of Youth Services	\$749,997
Oregon	State of Oregon Department of Corrections	\$741,924
Pennsylvania	County of Allegheny	\$748,902
Virginia	City of Norfolk	\$741,924
Virginia	Virginia Department of Corrections	\$741,924

Nearly \$4 million was awarded to six jurisdictions under OJJDP's *Second Chance Act Ensuring Public Safety and Improving Outcomes for Youth in Confinement and While*

Under Community Supervision program. This program provides funds to help jurisdictions respond to the increasing number of juveniles released from confinement who have been identified as having co-occurring substance abuse problems and mental health disorders and/or have known gang involvement:

Awardee State	Awardee	Amount Awarded
Alaska	State of Alaska – Division of Juvenile Justice	\$717,932
California	Alameda County Probation Department	\$519,040
Colorado	County of Boulder	\$719,724
Illinois	Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice	\$609,580
Kentucky	Kentucky Department of Juvenile Justice	\$394,725
Massachusetts	Robert F. Kennedy Children’s Action Corps	\$1,000,000

Nearly \$2 million was awarded to conduct an evaluation of the Virginia Department of Juvenile Justice’s reentry system improvement efforts, including addressing youth’s criminogenic needs and transforming case management procedures to ensure continuity of care during youth’s transition from institutional control back into community settings. Of this total, Child Trends, Inc. (Maryland) received \$985,433 and \$1 million was awarded to PbS Learning Institute, Inc., to support the development and implementation of a training and technical assistance program to improve the capacity of state and local governments and local juvenile reentry programs to collect, analyze, and report data.

Research and Evaluation

The National Institute of Justice, OJP’s research and evaluation component, awarded \$6.2 million to 5 recipients to perform rigorous research examining the success of reentry strategies, programs and practices. The funding was awarded through NIJ’s Research and Evaluation on Promising Reentry Initiatives program and reflect an emphasis upon using randomized controlled trials when evaluating effectiveness and success of promising practices.

Findings from the research will inform, in part, the Second Chance Act Community-based Adult Reentry Program, assist practitioners and policymakers seeking to implement effective interventions in their jurisdictions and advance the body of knowledge on best practices in offender reentry.

Awardee	Amount Awarded
Regents of the University of Michigan	\$799,922
American Institutes for Research	\$799,988
President and Fellows of Harvard College	\$1,129,918
University of Cincinnati	\$2,503,344
George Mason University	\$957,325

The Office of Justice Programs, directed by Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General Matt M. Dummermuth, provides federal leadership, grants and resources to improve the nation’s capacity to prevent and reduce crime, assist victims and enhance the rule of law by strengthening the criminal justice system. More information about OJP and its components can be found at www.ojp.gov.

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