

JAC Meeting September 9, 2024 - Minutes

Francine started the meeting at 9:00am.

Roll Call was done by Derek - It was noted that we had quorum.

The minutes from the last JAC meeting were reviewed and approved.

STOP Grant & Subawards

Francine discussed the applications that were received for STOP F2024 Grant.

- We received 23 Applications for STOP Grant funds.
- Total Requested funds was \$2,133,256 and we only had \$1,086,734 in STOP Grant funds available (that was 2023 remaining LE funds and 2024 STOP funds all categories).
- Review Committees began their review work with grant fund shortfall of over \$1M dollars.

Below is a summary of the STOP Awards proposed by RFA Review Committees:

Law Enforcement – two applications received.

Lewiston Police Department requested \$105,816, awarded \$89,868

Waldo County Sheriff Office requested \$127,379, awarded \$72,788

Courts – one application received.

Maine Judicial Branch requested \$ 72,200, awarded \$52,127

Prosecutor – one application received.

Maine Prosecutor Association requested \$262,479, awarded \$260,633

Victim Services – nineteen applications received. Eleven proposals with highest score awarded funds

Caring Unlimited – LAV requested \$40,637, awarded \$29,397

Caring Unlimited – Outreach requested \$44,960 awarded \$33,720

Her Safety Net requested \$61,500, awarded \$51,500

Hope and Justice requested \$72,978, awarded \$72,978 using law enforcement funds.

MECASA requested \$103,144, awarded \$94,413

NextStep requested \$69,200, awarded \$69,200 using law enforcement funds

Partners for Peace requested \$67,659, awarded \$67,609

Pine Tree legal requested \$82,981, awarded \$82,981 using VS and discretionary funds

Safe Voices – Criminal Justice requested \$45,000, awarded \$33,760 using discretionary funds

Safe Voices – Franklin County requested \$55,000, awarded \$43,760 using discretionary funds

Through These Doors requested \$66,136, awarded \$32,000

- Federal Requirements were met:
 - ✓ Culturally Specific – Her Safety Net
 - ✓ Sexual Assault Set Aside – Funds across multiple categories (Courts, Prosecution, & VS)

➤ JAC voted to approve the award recommendations of the RFA Review Committees.

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RSAT Grant & Subawards

Lisa discussed the one application that was received for the latest RSAT RFA. The application was received from Somerset County Jail (SCJ). SCJ requested \$455,982 and RFA Review Committee awarded \$455,982.

- JAC voted to approve \$455,982 RSAT funds to be awarded to Somerset County Jail.

JAG Grant & Subawards

Lisa discussed the JAG F2022 grant and subaward applications. She explained that some of the smaller counties choose not to participate as they do not have the bandwidth to do so. There will be 14 counties participating in the JAG F2022 grant leaving a total of \$703,821 which is proposed to be awarded to MDEA Task Force. In the upcoming year, Michelle will continue her outreach to try to get the smaller counties and Tribal entities to participate in the next JAG Award. Goal is to have contracts effective 10/1/2024; however, timeline is contingent on Procurement approvals.

- JAC voted to approve \$703,821 JAG F2022 funds to be awarded to MDEA Task Force.

Byrne SCIP Grant

Derek discussed the Byrne SCIP Grant. He stated that we now have the official notice of award for Fiscal Years 2022 - 2023 and 2024 funds. We will be posting the Senior Grants Specialist position. He is in the processing of drafting the RFPs.

F2022 – 2023 award is \$1.2 million, F2023 is \$963,000.

New Business/Items for Discussion

- Lisa discussed the Grants Management Training that The Department of Public Safety will be hosting this training. It will be a 2-day training on a Thursday and Friday in October with a cost of \$595. It will be held in one of the DPS conference rooms. An email was sent regarding this training to the JAC and subrecipients. You can email Lisa for registration information.
- Derek worked with Lisa Marchese and Kent Avery at the AG's office pertaining to the JAC's ability to vote remotely via email. It is their belief that this is not an option for the JAC so voting will need to take place during the JAC meetings.
- Derek made a recommendation that the JAC review the JAG Annual Report and talk through it in December, collectively as a group. It is our understanding from our Federal partners that the Strategic Plan does drive to how the federal funding will be spent. He requested that this be put on the agenda for the December meeting.

The next JAC meeting will be December 9, 2024. The invitation has gone out.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00.