



UNITED STATES CONGRESSMAN  
**HENRY CUELLAR**  
REPRESENTING THE 28TH DISTRICT OF TEXAS



## Grants Newsletter

April 29, 2024

To better serve you, I would like to provide this week's Grants Newsletter. Enclosed you will find several open grant applications that provide the opportunity to procure federal funding for a variety of projects.

Attracting more federal funds to our district and region has been a top priority during my tenure in Congress. By providing this document, I hope we can secure additional federal funds and assistance to our area that will improve life in Texas's 28<sup>th</sup> Congressional District.

For more information on the federal grant process, please visit my [grants webpage](#) or contact my Grants Coordinator, Randy Aguilar, at [Randy.Aguilar@mail.house.gov](mailto:Randy.Aguilar@mail.house.gov). To stay informed about recent legislative activity and how it impacts your family and your community, please visit my [congressional website](#) or follow me on Twitter at [@RepCuellar](https://twitter.com/RepCuellar).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Henry Cuellar". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Henry Cuellar  
Member of Congress  
28<sup>th</sup> District of Texas

*Note: This newsletter provides information on current federal grant solicitations. This is not a comprehensive list of all grant opportunities. For more information on federal grants, please contact the office at (202) 225-1640 or email [randy.aguilar@mail.house.gov](mailto:randy.aguilar@mail.house.gov).*

# Law Enforcement

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## [COPS Hiring Program](#)

**Project description:** The Fiscal Year 2024 COPS Hiring Program is a competitive award program designed to provide funding directly to law enforcement agencies to hire and/or rehire additional career law enforcement officers in an effort to increase their community policing capacity and crime prevention efforts.

**Eligibility:**

- Local law enforcement agencies
- State law enforcement agencies
- Territorial law enforcement agencies

**Application due date:** June 12, 2024

## [FY24 Connect and Protect: Law Enforcement Behavioral Health Response Program](#)

**Project description:** This program supports law enforcement–behavioral health cross-system collaboration to improve public health and public safety by improving responses to and outcomes for individuals with mental health disorders or co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders. Through this opportunity, the Bureau of Justice Assistance provides grant funding to help entities prepare, create, or expand comprehensive plans and then implement these collaborative projects to target people who qualify.

**Eligibility:**

- State governments
- Special district governments
- City or township governments
- Public- and state-controlled institutions of higher education
- County governments

**Application due date:** May 6, 2024

## [FY24 Veterans Treatment Court \(VTC\) Discretionary Grant Program](#)

**Project description:** With this solicitation, Bureau of Justice Assistance seeks to provide financial and technical assistance to states, state courts, local courts, units of local government, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments to plan, implement, and enhance the operations of VTCs including service coordination, participant service and supervision coordination, fidelity to the VTC model, and recovery support services.

**Eligibility:**

- State governments
- County governments
- Others (see posting for additional details)
- City or township governments

- Special district governments
- Public housing authorities

**Application due date:** June 20, 2024

[FY24 Matthew Shepard and James Byrd, Jr. Hate Crimes Program](#)

**Project description:** With this solicitation, Bureau of Justice Assistance seeks to support efforts by state, local, and tribal law enforcement and prosecution agencies and their partners in conducting outreach, educating practitioners and the public, enhancing victim reporting tools, and investigating and prosecuting hate crimes committed on the basis of a victim’s perceived or actual race, color, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, or disability.

**Eligibility:**

- State law enforcement agencies
- Local law enforcement agencies

**Application due date:** July 18, 2024

[FY24 Enhancing School Capacity To Address Youth Violence](#)

**Project description:** With this solicitation, the Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) seeks to support targeted efforts to address youth violence in a school-based setting (K–12th grade only). OJJDP seeks to increase school safety through the development and expansion of evidence-based and promising violence prevention and reduction programs and strategies to support school climate. Through this initiative, OJJDP expects applicants to utilize a collaborative approach between schools and community-based organizations to develop and implement these strategies.

**Eligibility:**

- Independent School Districts
- Public and State controlled institutions of higher education
- Nonprofit organizations
- City or township governments
- State governments
- For profit organizations other than small businesses
- County governments
- Private institutions of higher education
- Others (see posting for additional information)

**Application due date:** June 10, 2024

# Transportation

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## [FY23-24 Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements Grant Program](#)

**Project description:** This program funds projects that improve the safety, efficiency, and reliability of intercity passenger and freight rail.

**Eligibility:**

- State governments
- Private institutions of higher education
- Nonprofit entities
- Public and state controlled institutions of higher education
- Special district governments
- Others (see posting for additional information)
- For profit entities other than small businesses
- City or township governments
- Small businesses
- County governments

**Application due date:** May 28, 2024

## [Clean Heavy-Duty Vehicles Grants](#)

**Project description:** This funding to support Zero-Emission vehicles will benefit communities across the United States, especially communities that are disproportionately burdened by air pollution and marginalized by underinvestment. These replacement vehicles will ensure cleaner air for the communities in which they operate. The reduction in greenhouse gas emissions from these vehicle replacements will also help address the outsized role of the transportation sector in fueling the climate crisis.

**Eligibility:**

- States
- Municipalities
- Public school districts
- Nonprofit school transportations associations

**Application due date:** July 25, 2024

# Criminal Justice

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## [Fiscal Year 2024 Training and Services to End Violence and Abuse of Women Later in Life Program](#)

**Project description:** The Training and Services to End Abuse in Later Life Program supports a comprehensive approach to addressing abuse in later life, including domestic violence, dating

violence, sexual assault, stalking, neglect, abandonment, economic abuse, or willful harm committed against victims who are 50 years of age or older.

**Eligibility:**

- County governments
- State governments
- Others (see posting for additional information)
- Nonprofit entities
- City or township governments
- Population specific organization
- Victim service providers

**Application due date:** June 18, 2024

## Community Development

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### [FY 2024 Citizenship and Integration Grant Program: Citizenship Instruction and Naturalization Application Services](#)

**Project description:** The goal of the Citizenship and Integration Grant Program is to expand the availability of high-quality citizenship preparation services for lawful permanent residents across the nation and to provide opportunities for immigrants to gain the knowledge and skills necessary to integrate into the fabric of American society.

**Eligibility:**

- County governments
- City or township governments
- State governments
- Special district governments
- Nonprofit entities
- Public and state controlled institutions of higher education
- Public housing authorities
- Independent school districts
- Private institution of higher education

**Application due date:** June 21, 2024

## Grant Resources

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[Grants.gov Community Blog](#) This website provides information on how to apply for grants, open solicitations, and other helpful grant resources.

[Grants.gov Training Videos](#) This webpage provides videos and webinars to assist you in your application process. Video topics include registering with grants.gov, how to search for federal grants, and other topics of interest for applicants.