

Office of Congresswoman Elissa Slotkin

FY2022 Commerce, Justice, Science Appropriations

Community Project Request Form

Your funding request should be submitted at slotkin.house.gov/communityprojectfunding and is due by 12pm on April 16, 2021.

Note: Only non-profit entities, public institutions, and state and local government entities are eligible to request projects. Projects cannot be designated for private individuals or for-profit entities. The Subcommittee will only accept legally eligible requests under the following accounts: Byrne Justice Assistance Grants, COPS Technology and Equipment, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration--Operations, Research, and Facilities, National Aeronautics and Space Administration--Safety, Security and Mission Services. To be considered, the project must be legally eligible for grants under these accounts and comply with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations related to the specific grant program. Incomplete project requests will not be considered by the Committee.

Entity Requesting Funds (legal name of the non-federal project sponsor, no abbreviations; non-profits must attach evidence that the organization is a registered non-profit under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986):

Primary Point of Contact (name, email, phone number, organization address):

Project Priority (if non-federal sponsor is submitting more than 1 project):

Legally Eligible Account for Project Request (Byrne JAG, COPS T&E, NOAA ORF, or NASA SSMS):

Short description of the project to appear in the report:

Complete Description of Project (limit 1000 characters, including spaces):

Total Project Cost (including breakdown of federal/non-federal shares):

Requested Amount:

Provide detailed budget information as to how the funding is anticipated to be spent (attach budget if necessary).

Explanation of the request, including an explanation of why this is a good use of taxpayer funds:

Please indicate whether you have submitted a request for this same project to any other Member of Congress, if so, please list the Members and staff points-of-contact:

The Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Subcommittee is reviewing community project requests ONLY in the four categories listed below. Project requests that do not fit into one of these categories will not be eligible for community project funding.

- State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance—Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) under the Department of Justice;
- COPS Technology and Equipment under the Department of Justice;
- NOAA Operations, Research, and Facilities under the Department of Commerce; and
- NASA Safety, Security and Mission Services.

The Committee encourages community project funding designed to help improve police-community relations. Historically, the Committee has not funded vehicles or building construction or renovation as part of community project funding under this account.

Additional Questions for BYRNE JAG project requests

- **What is the title of the project, and within what Federal agency and appropriations account would it be funded?**
- **Provide a brief description of the project.**
- **Please describe, with as much specificity as possible, the overall goals and objectives of the proposed project.**
- **What is the requested dollar amount for this project for fiscal year 2022?**
- **How much, if anything, is being requested for this particular project in the Administration's fiscal year 2022 budget request?**
- **Has this same project request been submitted to another Appropriations subcommittee? If yes, which one?**
- **What is the total cost to complete the project?**
- **Is the requested project currently authorized in law? If yes, please provide a specific legal citation of such authorization.**
- **Are the proposed project activities consistent with the activities of the Federal agency? [yes/no]**
- **If the proposed project activities are not consistent with the activities of the Federal agency, why is the project being requested?**
- **Has the project been funded in the past? [yes/no]**
- **If the project has been funded in the past, how much funding has been provided to date?**

- **How much funding, if anything, was enacted for this particular project in the fiscal year 2021 Appropriations Act?**
- **If the project has been funded in the past, were such funds provided for discrete, severable activities?**
- **Please specify any non-Federal sources of funding that have been or are fully anticipated to be applied toward the project, including any dollar amounts and timelines for funding.**
- **If the proposed recipient is a non-Federal entity, please identify the non-Federal entity that would administer the funds once received.**
- **Is there a letter from a non-Federal sponsor supporting this project?**
- **Is the funding requested by a governmental or non-profit organization?**
- **If a non-profit, is the entity for which funding is proposed a non-profit organization as described under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such code?**
- **For the proposed recipient of the funds, please provide the name, phone number, and e-mail address of the point of contact, as well as the recipient organization's full street address.**
- **In which congressional district(s) is the project located?**
- **Is the proposed recipient currently in material non-compliance of a prior grant award made by the proposed Federal funding agency? [yes/no]**

State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance—Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG)

Byrne JAG Grants assist state, local, and tribal law enforcement efforts to prevent crime, improve the criminal justice system, provide victims' services, and other related activities. Community projects funded under this category must comply with the requirements cited in JAG statutes and be consistent with Justice Department guidance for the program. Below are the links to the Department's guidance and frequently asked questions regarding Byrne-JAG:

<https://bja.ojp.gov/program/jag/overview>

<https://bja.ojp.gov/sites/g/files/xyckuh186/files/media/document/jag-faqs.pdf>

- **Can the project obligate all of the requested funds by no later than 12 months after the enactment of the Appropriations Act? [yes/no]**
 - **If the Appropriations Committee is not able to provide the full amount of funding requested, can this project spend a smaller amount of appropriated funds within 12 months of the enactment of the Appropriations Act? [yes/no]**
 - **Describe and attach evidence of community support (e.g. (1) letters of support from elected community leaders, (2) press articles highlighting the need for the requested community project funding, (3) support from newspaper editorial boards, (4) projects listed in state intended use plans, community development plans, or other publicly available planning documents, (5) resolutions passed by city councils or boards, or (6) other compelling evidence of community support.):**
 - **Is this proposed project a priority for the local community? [yes/no]**
 - **If the project is not a priority for the local community, why is it being requested?**
 - **What is the estimated start date of the project? (mm/dd/yy)**
 - **What is the estimated completion date of the project? (mm/dd/yy)**
 - **Please describe the current developmental status of this project.**
 - **Is the intended recipient a for-profit entity? [yes/no]**
 - **Is this request consistent with all current statutory and regulatory requirements of Byrne Justice Assistance Grant recipients and subrecipients? [yes/no]**
 - **Is this project intended to serve primarily youth under age 18? [yes/no]**
 - **Is this request to fund primarily the purchase of a vehicle(s)? [yes/no]**
 - **Is this request to fund the acquisition of property or the construction or renovation of a building? [yes/no]**
 - **Has the intended recipient received any COPS or Byrne-JAG funds at any time in the past ten years? [yes/no]**
 - **If yes, in what fiscal years and for what purposes?**
 - **Regarding this request, please provide any additional information that would be useful for the Appropriations Committee to have.**
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Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) – Technology and Equipment

Funding will be provided for community project grants for State, local, and tribal law enforcement to develop and acquire effective technologies and interoperable communications that assist in investigating, responding to, and preventing crime, provided that such equipment meets the applicable requirements of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Office of Law Enforcement Standards (OLES).

This funding will allow recipients the opportunity to establish and enhance any of a variety of technical equipment and/or programs to encourage the continuation and enhancement of community policing efforts within their jurisdictions. These projects should help improve police effectiveness and the flow of information among law enforcement agencies, local government service providers, and the communities they serve.

Historically, the Committee has not funded vehicles or building construction or renovation as part of community project funding under this account. Recipients of community project funding under this account may not subgrant to other organizations or agencies.

Additional Questions for COPS Technology and Equipment Requests

- **What is the title of the project, and within what Federal agency and appropriations account would it be funded?**
- **Provide a brief description of the project.**

- **Please describe, with as much specificity as possible, the overall goals and objectives of the proposed project.**

- **What is the requested dollar amount for this project for fiscal year 2022?**
- **How much, if anything, is being requested for this particular project in the Administration's fiscal year 2022 budget request?**
- **Has this same project request been submitted to another Appropriations subcommittee? If yes, which one?**
- **What is the total cost to complete the project?**
- **Is the requested project currently authorized in law? If yes, please provide a specific legal citation of such authorization.**

- **Are the proposed project activities consistent with the activities of the Federal agency? [yes/no]**
- **If the proposed project activities are not consistent with the activities of the Federal agency, why is the project being requested?**
- **Has the project been funded in the past? [yes/no]**
- **If the project has been funded in the past, how much funding has been provided to date?**
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- **How much funding, if anything, was enacted for this particular project in the fiscal year 2021 Appropriations Act?**
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- **Is there a letter from a non-Federal sponsor supporting this project?**
- **Is the funding requested by a governmental or non-profit organization?**
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- **For the proposed recipient of the funds, please provide the name, phone number, and e-mail address of the point of contact, as well as the recipient organization's full street address.**
- **In which congressional district(s) is the project located?**
- **Is the proposed recipient currently in material non-compliance of a prior grant award made by the proposed Federal funding agency? [yes/no]**

- **Can the project obligate all of the requested funds by no later than 12 months after the enactment of the Appropriations Act? [yes/no]**
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Department of Commerce

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Operations, Research, and Facilities

Community project funding for NOAA will only be considered within the Operations, Research, and Facilities account. This account does not fund construction projects, and as such, any such requests will not be considered. Requests for funding will be considered for research, demonstration, or education projects performed by external partners or for prioritizing NOAA internal funds for geographically specific projects. Any such project must be aligned with NOAA's mission and within their existing authorities.

The subcommittee will not entertain requests for community project funding for the National Weather Service or the Office of Marine and Aviation Operations. Coastal Zone Management funds are distributed to states on a formula basis and will not be considered for community project funding. Historically, the Committee has not funded vehicles or building construction or renovation as part of community project funding under this account.

Questions for NOAA project requests

- **What is the title of the project, and within what Federal agency and appropriations account would it be funded?**
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- **Please describe the current developmental status of this project.**

- **Is the intended recipient a for-profit entity? [yes/no]**

- **Has the intended recipient received any competitive grant funding or other funding from NOAA at any time in the past ten years? [yes/no]**

- **If yes, in what fiscal years and for what purposes?**
 - **For any science research project request, please provide the name of the individual who is anticipated to be the Principal Investigator for the research project, as well as a link to such person's curriculum vitae, and a list of this person's peer-reviewed publications related to the topic of the requested research project.**
 - **Regarding this request, please provide any additional information that would be useful for the Appropriations Committee to have.**
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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION (NASA)
NASA Safety, Security, and Mission Services

Funding must be for activities consistent with and supportive of the work of NASA's mission directorates and within the agency's authorities, such as STEM education activities and scientific research. Funding for building construction or renovation projects will not be considered for community project funding.

Additional Questions for NASA project requests

- **What is the title of the project, and within what Federal agency and appropriations account would it be funded?**
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