

## OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS

Program Name: VALOR Initiative

### FY 2017 Request

Total Funding: \$15.0 M\*  
Vs. FY 2016 Enacted: No Change

\*This program is a carve-out from the Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program



ALERRT Training

[Funded through VALOR: Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training \(ALERRT\)](#)

### Program Description

**Purpose:** To prevent violence against law enforcement officers and ensure officer resilience and survivability following violent encounters during the course of their duties.

The VALOR initiative consists of three distinct programs:

1. Trainings, technical assistance, and resources – In-person and web-based training on critical officer safety and wellness topics.
2. Active Shooter Program – This program provides active scenario-based training that prepares officers to safely and effectively handle active-shooter situations.
3. Research and Destination Zero Program – This program provides research on law enforcement injuries and fatalities and ensures that VALOR trainings and resources are up-to-date and relevant. Destination Zero highlights programs that could serve as models for law enforcement agencies seeking to implement safety and wellness programs.

**Authorizing Legislation:** Created through Department of Justice appropriations acts

**Administering Agency:** Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)

**DOJ Strategic Objective 2.2:** Prevent and intervene in crimes against vulnerable populations and uphold the rights of, and improve services to, America's crime victims

**Who Can Apply for Funding:** National, regional, state, or local public and private entities, including nonprofit and for-profit organizations, faith-based and community organizations, institutions of higher education, units of local government, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments. For-profit organizations must agree to forgo any profit or management fee.

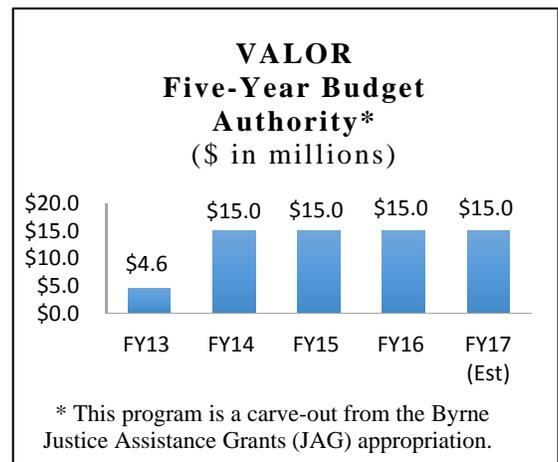
**How Funds are Distributed:** Through a competitive process, awards are made for up to \$3.5M for a 12 month period. Supplemental funding for this award may be available based on the availability of future appropriated funds and the grantee's history of performance.

### Program Goals:

- Focus on all aspects of safety including current issues such as constitutional policing, implicit bias, police professionalism, and guardianship.
- Focus also on wellness to help law enforcement officers be healthier, and better prepared professional guardians to the communities they serve.

### Accomplishments:

- Since its inception, the VALOR Initiative has trained over 21,388 law enforcement professionals throughout the nation and continues to receive high praise and feedback from the law enforcement community.



- The active shooter response training program in partnership with the FBI has trained over 10,220 officers.
- The [www.valorforblue.org](http://www.valorforblue.org) web site has received over 23 million hits and has over 16,200 registered law enforcement users for the secure portal.
- Dissemination of over 9,500 [Attorney General Officer Safety Toolkits](#), a product for law enforcement showing what officer safety resources are available.
- Development of the [Destination Zero](#) program, award, and web site to allow BJA to highlight resources on promising officer safety and wellness programs.

**FY 2017 Proposed Policy Changes to the Program:** N/A

**FY 2017 Proposed Funding Changes to the Program:** N/A

**Application and Award History**

(\$ in millions)	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
Amount Appropriated*	[\$4.6]	[\$15.0]	[\$15.0]	[\$15.0]	[\$15.0] Requested
Total Funding Awarded^	\$4.1	\$13.4	\$13.4	TBD	TBD
Number of Applications	5	1	1	TBD	TBD
Number of awards	2	1	1	TBD	TBD

\* This program is a carve-out from the Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) appropriation.

^ Total Funding Awarded does not include funds used for management and administration, peer review, or other authorized purposes.

**For additional information, please visit: [www.valorforblue.org](http://www.valorforblue.org).**