



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS

Office of Justice Programs FY 2023 Funding Opportunities to Combat Hate Crimes FACT SHEET

The Department of Justice's Office of Justice Programs (OJP) provides resources to communities to investigate and prosecute crimes motivated by hate and bias, serve hate crime victims, and enrich our understanding of the causes and consequences of hate crimes.

RESEARCH

- NIJ's [FY23 Research and Evaluation on Hate Crimes](#) solicitation seeks proposals to advance knowledge and understanding of (1) preventing and addressing hate crimes; and (2) school-based hate crimes.

LAW ENFORCEMENT, PROSECUTION, TRAINING, AND RESOURCES

- The [Matthew Shepard and James Byrd, Jr. Hate Crimes Program](#), managed by OJP's Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), supports state, local, and tribal law enforcement and prosecution agencies and their partners in conducting outreach, educating practitioners and the public, and investigating and prosecuting hate crimes based on race, color, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, or disability.
- BJA's [Emmett Till Cold Case Investigations Program](#) supports law enforcement and prosecutors and their partners in their efforts to investigate and resolve cold-case homicides that involve civil rights violations.
- BJA's [Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant \(JAG\) Program](#) provides funding to support a range of criminal justice programming, including those that combat hate crimes. In June 2021, to address the rise in hate crimes, BJA sent [guidance](#) to State Administrating Agencies to clarify that JAG funds could be used to increase patrols and deployments that bolster the security of at-risk nonprofit organizations.
- BJA's [State and Local Anti-Terrorism Training \(SLATT\) Program](#) provides no-cost and role-based training, resources, and technical assistance to state, local, and tribal law enforcement officers and agencies to prevent acts of terrorism, targeted violence, and hate crimes.

RESOURCES FOR VICTIMS AND COMMUNITIES

- BJA launched the [Community-based Approaches to Prevent and Address Hate Crimes](#) in FY22 which supports community-based organizations and civil rights groups in implementing comprehensive approaches to promote community awareness and preparedness, increase victim reporting, strengthen community resiliency, and improve responses to hate crimes.
- OVC will award more than \$4.5 million for the [Jabara-Heyer NO HATE Act State-Run Hate Crime Reporting Hotlines](#) program to establish hate crime reporting hotlines and to ensure victim and witnesses are connected to law enforcement and local support services.
- OVC offers training to professionals on [how to respond to hate crime victims](#) through its training module titled, “HATE AND BIAS CRIME: VICTIM IMPACT: LISTEN AND LEARN.”

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