BJA FY 2022 State Criminal Alien Assistance Program

Program Requirements and Application Instructions

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**Overview**

Under the statutorily required State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAP), the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) of the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) makes payments to eligible “states” and “units of local government” that incur certain types of costs due to “incarceration” of “undocumented criminal aliens” during a particular 12-month reporting period. **The reporting period for the FY 2022 program is July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021.**

Before entering any information into the online application for the FY 2022 program, the government official who will complete and submit the application on behalf of an applicant government MUST carefully review this document.

This solicitation incorporates guidance provided in the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide which provides additional information for applicants to prepare and submit applications to OJP for funding. **If this solicitation expressly modifies any provision in the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide, the applicant is to follow the guidelines in this solicitation as to that provision.**

**Eligible Applicants:**
City or township governments, County governments, State governments

**Contact Information**
For assistance with the requirements of this solicitation, or other aspects of the FY 2022 program, contact the SCAAAP Help Desk by phone at 1-202-353-4411 or by email to SCAAP@usdoj.gov. The SCAAP Help Desk operates Monday–Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
ET. It is closed on federal holidays.

**Submission Information**

**Registration:** Before submitting an application, all applicants must register with the System for Award Management (SAM). You must renew and validate your registration every 12 months. If you do not renew your SAM registration, it will expire. An expired registration can delay or prevent application submission in Grants.gov and JustGrants. Registration and renewal can take up to 10 business days to complete.

**Submission:** Applications must be submitted to DOJ electronically through a two-step process via Grants.gov and JustGrants.

**Step 1:** The applicant must submit by the Grants.gov deadline the required Application for Federal Assistance standard form (SF-424) when they register in Grants.gov at [https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/register.html](https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/register.html). **Submit the SF-424 as early as possible, but no later than 48 hours before the Grants.gov deadline.** If an applicant fails to submit in Grants.gov, they will be unable to apply in JustGrants.

For technical assistance with submitting the SF-424 in Grants.gov, contact the Grants.gov Customer Support Hotline at 800-518-4726, 606-545-5035, [Grants.gov Customer Support](https://www.grants.gov/contact), or support@grants.gov. The Grants.gov Support Hotline operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, except on federal holidays.

**Step 2:** The applicant must submit the **full application**, including attachments, in JustGrants at [JustGrants.usdoj.gov](https://www.justgrants.usdoj.gov) by the JustGrants application deadline.

For technical assistance with submitting the **full application** in JustGrants, contact the JustGrants Service Desk at 833-872-5175 or [JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov](mailto:JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov). The JustGrants Service Desk operates 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. ET Monday–Friday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET on Saturday, Sunday, and Federal holidays.

OJP encourages applicants to review, the “How to Apply” section in the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide and the JustGrants website for more information, resources, and training. Applicants should maintain all receipts and confirmations received from SAM.gov, Grants.gov, JustGrants systems. Also see the SCAAAP Application Submission and Acceptance Job Aid Reference Guide.
Program Description

Overview

OJP is committed to advancing work that promotes civil rights and racial equity, increases access to justice, supports crime victims and individuals impacted by the justice system, strengthens community safety and protects the public from crime and evolving threats, and builds trust between law enforcement and the community.

OJP's BJA administers SCAAP. Under SCAAP, OJP is statutorily required to make payments to “states” and “units of local government” that incur certain types of costs due to the “incarceration” of “undocumented criminal aliens” during a specific 12-month reporting period. See below for a detailed discussion of eligibility and definitions including the definitions of “state,” “unit of local government,” “incarceration,” “undocumented criminal aliens” for purposes of SCAAP.

Under the FY 2022 program, payments will be made in connection with “undocumented criminal aliens” who had been convicted of at least one felony or two misdemeanors (typically for violations of state or local law) and who were “incarcerated” under the legal authority of the applicant government for at least 4 consecutive days during the “reporting period.” (Additional details are set out in later sections of this document.)

As part of its application, each applicant government provides particular information about individuals it “incarcerated” — under its own legal authority — for at least 4 consecutive days during the “reporting period” and whom the applicant government either (1) knows were “undocumented criminal aliens” or (2) reasonably and in good faith believes were “undocumented criminal aliens.” (OJP transmits the data submitted on such individuals to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) for a detailed review.) As part of its application, each applicant government also must provide information pertinent to its average costs of incarceration during the “reporting period.”

Broadly speaking, SCAAP payments are calculated from information provided by applicant governments in online applications, information provided to OJP by DHS regarding the DHS review of data on “eligible inmates,” and the amount of appropriated funds available for the SCAAP application cycle (e.g., for the FY 2022 program). Detailed information on payment calculations can be found in Appendix D: SCAAP Payment Calculations – General Overview. All information submitted as part of an application is subject to appropriate review by OJP.

Statutory Authority

The FY 2022 program is authorized by 8 U.S.C. 1231(i); Department of Justice Appropriations Act, 2022 (Pub. L. No. 117-103, 136 Stat. 49, 125)

Specific Information

Restriction on Use of SCAAP Payment; Associated Records

As a matter of federal law, a “state” or “unit of local government” that receives a payment under the FY 2022 program must use the payment “only for correctional purposes.” See 8 U.S.C. § 1231(i)(6).
“Correctional Purposes”: With respect to a “state” or “unit of local government,” use of a SCAAP payment for “correctional purposes” means:

- Use of the funds to pay any cost reasonably attributable to that government’s operation of a “correctional facility” for its own use, such as
  - Salaries and wages paid to employees who work primarily and directly in the “correctional facility” (regardless of whether those employees are “correctional officers”).
  - Costs of employment benefits provided to (or on behalf of) employees who work directly in and for the “correctional facility.”
  - The reasonably allocable portion of the salaries, wages, and benefits paid to employees who, although not primarily and directly working in and for the “correctional facility,” provide necessary services either to the correctional facility (e.g., administrative support) or the individuals “incarcerated” in the correctional facility (e.g., medical care, transportation).
  - Repair, maintenance, and “overhead” (e.g., utilities) costs reasonably attributable to operation of the “correctional facility.”
- Use of the funds for payments to a “contract correctional facility” that are reasonably attributable to “incarceration” of individuals in such a facility on behalf of (pursuant to the legal authority of) the pertinent “state” or “unit of local government.”

**Maintenance of Records**
An applicant government that receives a payment under the FY 2022 program must, for not less than 3 years after the date it draws down that payment from OJP, maintain records sufficient to demonstrate that the payment was used solely for “correctional purposes,” and must make those records available to DOJ (including OJP) upon request.

**Limit on Request for Compensation**
As a matter of federal law, “no jurisdiction shall request compensation for any cost greater than the actual cost for federal immigration and other detainees housed in state and local detention facilities.” See, e.g., Department of Justice Appropriations Act, 2022 (Pub. L. No. 117-103, 136 Stat. 49, 125).

**Federal Award Information**

**Solicitation Categories**
This solicitation does not include Solicitation Categories.

**Awards, Amounts and Durations**

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**Anticipated Total Amount to be Awarded Under Solicitation**
$198,998,538

**Availability of Funds**
This solicitation, and awards under this solicitation, are subject to the availability of
appropriated funds and to any modifications or additional requirements that may be imposed by the agency or by law. In addition, nothing in this solicitation is intended to, and does not, create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the United States, its departments, agencies, or entities, its officers, employees, or agents, or any other person.

Eligibility Information

Important Note: The online FY 2022 SCAAP application specifically incorporates by reference the eligibility requirements, definitions of terms, and detailed application instructions set out in this document. To assist applicants, this document uses quotation marks to highlight defined terms (e.g., “state,” “unit of local government,” “undocumented criminal alien,” “eligible inmate,” and “correctional purposes”).

In general, a “state” or “unit of local government” is eligible to apply for a payment under the FY 2022 program if it “incarcerated” individuals in a “correctional facility” during the “reporting period” whom it either (1) knows were “undocumented criminal aliens” or (2) reasonably and in good faith believes were “undocumented criminal aliens.”

Absent highly unusual circumstances, OJP will not extend the application deadline or permit an applicant government to submit its application after the application deadline. Much as in previous years, promptly after the application deadline, OJP will transmit to DHS the data on “eligible inmates” from all of the applications submitted to JustGrants prior to the application deadline. The volume of “eligible inmates” data transmitted to DHS (and the nature and complexity of the DHS review of those data) is such that it is not possible to transmit supplemental or corrected data to DHS.

Any application must be completed and submitted by a government official with the legal authority to apply to the FY 2022 program on behalf of the chief executive of the applicant government. This “submitting government official” must be registered in JustGrants in order to complete and submit an application under the FY 2022 program.

Instructions on how to register in JustGrants and how to access the online application for the FY 2022 program appear in the How to Apply section.

Only a “state” or “unit of local government” is eligible to apply, and only on its own behalf.

For purposes of the FY 2022 program:

"State" includes the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and American Samoa.

“Unit of local government” means a political subdivision of a “state” with authority to independently establish a budget and impose taxes (typically, a “general-purpose” political subdivision of a state). The term may include a county or municipality (e.g., city, county, town, township, village, borough, or parish). Note: A department or
agencies that are part of such a “unit of local government” is not itself considered a “unit of local government,” and applications listing an agency that is not the “unit of local government” will be denied.

Joint applications by two or more “states” or “units of local government” are not permitted, even if the application names only one state or unit of local government as the applicant. As a rule, an application must not incorporate or report data on either (1) individuals held in custody by the applicant government on behalf of (pursuant to the legal authority of) another state or unit of local government or (2) costs associated with individuals held in custody on behalf of another state or unit of local government.

Similarly, a governmental entity that is not itself a “state” or a “unit of local government” (e.g., a regional jail, special jail district, or regional jail authority or board) is not eligible to apply. Rather, each “state” or “unit of local government” that uses the regional facility may include (as part of its own application) data that directly reflect its own use of the facility.

Certifications in the Online Application for the FY 2022 Program
As part of the online application to the FY 2022 program, the “submitting government official” must make a number of detailed certifications to OJP under penalty of perjury, including formal certifications regarding the accuracy of the information being provided, the official’s conformity with the requirements and instructions set out in this document, and the official’s legal authority to execute the certifications and submit the application on behalf of the applicant government.

JustGrants is designed to reject an application to the FY 2022 program if the “submitting government official” fails to execute any of the required certifications. An application cannot and will not be considered submitted (including for purposes of the application deadline) until all of the certifications have been made. See the Disclosures and Assurances section for more information.

DOJ Reliance on the Required Certifications as Material; Penalties for False Statements
As indicated in the text of each required certification, DOJ, including OJP, will rely on each certification submitted in connection with an application to the FY 2022 program as a material representation in any decision to make a payment.

A materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement to the federal government (or concealment or omission of a material fact) as part of a required certification, or in the application that it supports, may be the subject of criminal prosecution (including under 18 U.S.C. §§ 1001 and/or 1621, and/or 34 U.S.C. §§ 10271-10273), and also may subject both the “submitting government official” and the applicant government to civil penalties and administrative remedies for false claims or otherwise (including under 31 U.S.C. §§ 3729-3730 and §§ 3801-3812). Also, certifications provided to OJP in connection with the FY 2022 program are subject to review by DOJ, including by OJP and the DOJ Office of the Inspector General.

Application and Submission Information
In the online SCAAP application, each applicant government will be asked to provide specific types of information. In general, they are:

- Information on the applicant government and its “chief executive.”
- Information on the “submitting government official.”
- Data on “eligible inmates” during the “reporting period,” which are provided through upload of a single ASCII- formatted file.
- Data pertinent to the applicant government’s costs of incarceration for the “reporting period,” including information on “correctional officers” and associated salary expenditures, the total number of inmates incarcerated, and the “maximum bed count” of the applicant’s “correctional facilities.”

“Submitting Government Official”
The online SCAAP application may be completed and submitted only by an appropriate official of the applicant government. For each applicant government, there may be only one “submitting government official.” That “submitting government official” must have the legal authority to apply to the FY 2022 program on behalf of the applicant government, must have the necessary knowledge and information to complete the entire application accurately, and must in fact complete and submit all sections of the application. **Due diligence is required.**

The certifications within the online application vary in their precise content, but in each of them, the “submitting government official” must certify, on behalf of the official and the applicant government, under penalty of perjury, that the information entered is “true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, based upon diligent inquiry and review,” and is provided in accordance with the requirements, definitions, and instructions set out in this document. In addition, in each such certification, the “submitting government official” certifies that the official has “the legal authority to make this certification to OJP, including from the chief executive of the applicant government.”

**Part I. Information on the SCAAP Applicant Government and Its “Chief Executive”**

**Information on the Applicant “State” or “Unit of Local Government”**
Refer to the information above on “Eligibility,” including the definitions of “state” and “unit of local government,” to determine whether an interested entity is eligible to apply.

If the prospective applicant is in fact a “state” or “unit of local government,” enter the appropriate information for the applicant government in section 1 of the application.

**Information on the “Chief Executive” of the Applicant “State” or “Unit of Local Government”**
Also in section 1 of the application, enter the appropriate information for the current “chief executive” of the applicant government.

Note that, in virtually all cases, the chief executive of a “state” is the governor. As to “units of local government,” the title of the chief executive will vary depending on the organization of the local government, but only one individual in the local government is its “chief executive” (e.g., the mayor).
Click on the “Save Information” button to continue to the next section of the application. (If an error message appears, make the appropriate corrections, then click “Save Information” again.)

Part II. Information on “Eligible Inmates”

“Eligible Inmates”
Each applicant government is to provide detailed information about the individuals (1) the applicant government “incarcerated” for at least 4 consecutive days during the “reporting period” and (2) who the applicant government either knows were “undocumented criminal aliens” or reasonably and in good faith believes were “undocumented criminal aliens.” For purposes of the application to the FY 2022 program, such individuals are referred to as “eligible inmates.”

Recap: An individual is an “eligible inmate” only if all of the following are true, and the inmate was:

- “Incarcerated” by the applicant government under its own legal authority (see definition below).
- For at least 4 consecutive days during the “reporting period.”
- The applicant government either knows, or reasonably and in good faith believes, that the inmate is an “undocumented criminal alien,” that is, that the inmate is both —
  - “undocumented” (see definition below)
  - “criminal alien” (see definition below)

“Incarcerated”
For purposes of the FY 2022 program, an individual is considered to have been “incarcerated” by (or on behalf of) the applicant government when held (confined) in a “correctional facility” under the legal authority of the applicant government, following conviction of the individual for a criminal offense. Such incarceration may have been in a “correctional facility” operated by the applicant government or in a “contract correctional facility” (including a regional facility) used by the applicant government.

- An inmate is not considered to have been “incarcerated” by or on behalf of an applicant government if the applicant government held the inmate in custody on behalf of (under the legal authority of) another “state” or “unit of local government,” pursuant to a contractual arrangement.

“Undocumented”
For purposes of the FY 2022 program, an individual is “undocumented” if, as of the date the individual was “incarcerated” by the applicant government, the individual was a foreign citizen or foreign national with no legitimate claim under federal law to be a U.S. citizen or U.S. national, and the individual (1) entered the United States without authorization under federal law to do so, or (2) entered the United States under a federal legal authorization that had expired or otherwise was no longer in effect, or (3) was the subject of deportation or exclusion proceedings.
Generally, a person born in the United States (including in a U.S. territory) is a U.S. citizen or U.S. national.

“Criminal Alien”
For purposes of the FY 2022 program, an “alien” (that is, an individual who is not a citizen or national of the United States) is a “criminal alien” if, as of the date the individual was “incarcerated” by the government, that individual had been convicted of at least one felony or two misdemeanors.

- Adjudication of a juvenile as a delinquent does not constitute conviction of a felony or a misdemeanor for purposes of the FY 2022 program.

“Inmate Records” and Associated Data Elements
In section 2 of the application, the “submitting government official” is to provide an “inmate record” for each “eligible inmate.”

- Multiple Periods of Incarceration: If, during the reporting period, the applicant government incarcerated a particular “eligible inmate” for two or more periods of at least 4 consecutive days each, the applicant must create a separate “inmate record” for each such distinct period of incarceration. The applicant may not combine such distinct periods of incarceration in a single inmate record.

- “Eligible Inmates” Who Use Aliases: If an applicant government has reason to believe that a particular “eligible inmate” uses or has used aliases, the applicant may submit a separate “inmate record” for each alias, provided the information in the separate inmate record(s) is identical in all respects, other than as to last, first, and/or middle names. (Note that this requirement for identical information — except as to names — specifically includes the “unique inmate number assigned by the applicant government.” (See list below.)

Each “inmate record” is to provide all of the following information, to the extent known to the applicant government, using due diligence:

- Alien number, also referred to as “A-number”
- Last name
- First name
- Middle name (not required, but to be provided if available)
- Date of birth
- Unique inmate identifying number assigned by the applicant government
- Foreign country of birth
- “Date incarcerated” (see definition in Appendix A)
- FBI number

Law Enforcement Support Center (LESC) Immigration Alien Query (IAQ)
This is an OPTIONAL field. See Appendix E for more information.

The detailed instructions for each of these data elements are set out in the table titled “SCAAP Data Elements for ‘Inmate Records’ — FY 2022 Program” in Appendix A. That table identifies the mandatory data elements; specifies the precise format to be used for
each data element; sets out the rules to follow for individuals with compound or hyphenated first, last, or middle names; and specifically defines “date incarcerated” and “date released.” (It also defines the required ASCII fixed-field format.)

- For ease of reference, the “submitting government official” may wish to print out a copy of “SCAAP Data Elements for ‘Inmate Records’ — FY 2022 Program.”
- Be aware that an “inmate record” that does not identify a specific country as the inmate’s country of birth, but instead indicates that the country of birth is “unknown,” will not be considered in the calculation of the amount of any payment under the FY 2022 program unless DHS (through its data review) is able to confirm that the inmate was in fact “undocumented,” and the “inmate record” otherwise is sufficient.

Submission of “Inmate Records”
An applicant must provide “inmate records” for “eligible inmates” by uploading a single ASCII-formatted (.txt) file that contains the entire set of inmate records for the “reporting period.”

- The “submitting government official” will upload a single ASCII-formatted file with all “inmate records” for “eligible inmates
  - Appendix A (titled “SCAAP Data Elements for ‘Inmate Records’ — FY 2022 Program”) sets out the required ASCII fixed-field format to be used for the inmate file upload.
  - Appendix B lists DHS Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Country Codes. “Inmate records” submitted as part of a single ASCII fixed-field file are to include the appropriate “ICE Country Code” from the list in Appendix B. Do not use an abbreviation from any other list of country codes.
  - Appendix C (titled “Instructions for upload of ASCII fixed-field file of ‘inmate records’”) provides detailed instructions for the ASCII fixed-field file upload process.

Part III. Information on “Correctional Officers” and “Correctional Facilities”

Required Information on “Correctional Officers”
In section 3 of the online application, the “submitting government official” must provide, by direct entry into the online application, all of the following information related to “correctional officers”:

- The total number of full-time “correctional officers” employed by the applicant government during the reporting period.
- The total number (reported as Full-Time Employees (FTEs)) of part-time “correctional officers” employed by the applicant government during the reporting period.
- The total number of full-time “correctional officers” providing services to the applicant government as employees of “contract correctional facilities” (or as contractors) during the reporting period.
- The total number (reported as FTEs) of part-time “correctional officers” providing services to the applicant government as employees of “contract correctional facilities”.
facilities” (or as contractors) during the reporting period.
• “Actual salary expenditures for correctional officers” during the reporting period.

In addition, section 3 of the online application requires the “submitting government official” to provide (as a file attached to the application) a “Correctional Officer Salary Expenditures Detail.”

Pertinent Definitions: “Correctional Officers” and “Associated Salary Expenditures”

• “Correctional facility” means a facility typically used to hold (confine) in-custody individuals convicted of one or more criminal offenses
  • A “correctional facility” may be operated by a "state” or “unit of local government” for its own use.
  • Or a “correctional facility” may be operated by a private or governmental entity that holds individuals in custody on behalf of (pursuant to the legal authority of) a “state” or “unit of local government,” pursuant to a contractual arrangement. For purposes of the FY 2022 program, such a facility (including a regional facility) is a “contract correctional facility.”
  • A “correctional facility” may — in addition to holding in-custody individuals who have been convicted of criminal offenses — also hold in-custody individuals who have been charged with criminal offenses. A facility that is used primarily for pretrial detention, however, is not a “correctional facility.”

• “Correctional Officer”: For purposes of the FY 2022 program, “correctional officer” means a person whose primary employment responsibility is to maintain custody of individuals held in a “correctional facility.” A person who meets this definition is a “correctional officer,” regardless of whether this person is an employee of the applicant government or an employee of a “contract correctional facility” used by the applicant government.
  • Based on the primary employment responsibility, the term “correctional officer” may include a person who fills a position such as deputy sheriff, correctional facility or jail supervisor, chief of security or shift commander for a correctional facility, or warden or assistant warden of a correctional facility. The term “correctional officer” also may include a transportation officer (or someone in a similar position), but only if the person’s primary employment responsibility is to maintain custody of inmates who remain in custody but temporarily are outside of the “correctional facility.”
  • “Incarcerated” is defined above.
  • Persons whose primary responsibility is something other than to maintain custody of individuals held in custody in a “correctional facility” are not “correctional officers” for purposes of this program and may not be included in the “correctional officer” data reported in section 3 of the online application. This is the case even though such persons may provide services to a correctional facility used by the applicant government or its inmates.
  • Persons who provide office and secretarial support or administrative services to (or for) a “correctional facility”; or whose primary employment responsibility involves housekeeping or maintenance at a correctional facility; or provide food, health or medical care, education, training, or vocational counseling to
“incarcerated” inmates are not “correctional officers” for purposes of the FY 2022 program. They may not be included in the “correctional officer” data reported in section 3 of the online application.

- Similarly, persons whose primary employment responsibility is to work with inmates who are no longer held in custody in a “correctional facility” (e.g., parole and probation officers) or whose work involves inmates but whose primary employment responsibility is something other than “maintaining custody” of an inmate held in custody in a “correctional facility” (e.g., judges, prosecutors, public defenders, hearing officers, and warrant and apprehension units personnel) are not “correctional officers” for purposes of the FY 2022 program. They may not be included in the “correctional officer” data reported in section 3 of the online application.

- **“Total number” of “correctional officers”**
  - For **full-time** “correctional officers” employed by the applicant government, report the total number of full-time correctional officers employed during the reporting period.
  - For **part-time** “correctional officers” employed by the applicant government (reported as FTEs), report the total number of part-time correctional officers employed during the reporting period.
  - For **full-time** “correctional officers” employed by a “contract correctional facility,” include only the “total number” of such officers whose employment is reasonably attributable — using due diligence — to use of the correctional facility by the applicant government for inmates held in custody under its own legal authority. As the “total number,” report the total number of such full-time correctional officers employed during the reporting period.
  - Similarly, for **part-time** “correctional officers” employed by a “contract correctional facility,” include only the “total number” of such officers whose employment is reasonably attributable — using due diligence — to use of the correctional facility by the applicant government for inmates held in custody under its own legal authority. As the “total number,” report the total number of such part-time correctional officers employed during the reporting period.

- **“Actual salary expenditures for correctional officers’ during the reporting period”** means the sum of:
  - The actual amount (if any) paid by the applicant government during the “reporting period” as the “salaries and wages” of full-time and part-time “correctional officers” it employed. Paid leave (medical leave, family leave, vacation leave) may be included in this total.
  - The actual amount (if any) paid by any “contract correctional facility” as the “salaries and wages” of full-time and part-time “correctional officers,” but only to the extent the amounts paid are reasonably attributable — using due diligence — to inmates held in custody on behalf of, and under the legal authority of, the applicant government.

- **“Salaries and wages”** may include amounts paid to a “correctional officer” as premium pay for a specialized service, as shift-differential pay, and/or as fixed-pay increases for time in service. It also may include additional amounts paid for overtime when such additional amounts are required by law (e.g., by statute or regulation) or
by contractual obligation.

- “Salaries and wages” may not include any payments or costs for employment benefits, including (without limitation) social security, retirement or pension plans, health or medical services, insurance (e.g., medical, dental, vision, disability, and life insurance), and/or report awards.

**Information Required in the “Correctional Officer’ Salary Expenditures Detail (for the Reporting Period)”**

Each applicant must attach a file to the application that sets out for each “correctional officer” included in the reported number of “correctional officers” the following:

- The title of the position held by the person (e.g., “corrections officer,” “deputy sheriff,” “warden”) and the total “salaries and wages” paid to the person during the reporting period for that work. (The name of the correctional officer should not be included.)
- For an individual “correctional officer” employed by a “contract correctional facility,” the “salaries and wages” listed must be the amount reasonably attributable — using due diligence — to inmates held in custody on behalf of, and under the legal authority of, the applicant government.
- This salary “detail” file may be submitted in one of several commonly used file formats (e.g., Adobe PDF, Microsoft Word, or Microsoft Excel). **Note:** The sum of all “salaries and wages” listed in the “detail” file must match the amount entered in the online application as “Actual salary expenditures for correctional officers during the reporting period.”
  - JustGrants does not accept **executable** file types as application attachments. These disallowed file types include, but are not limited to, the following extensions: “.com,” “.bat,” “.exe,” “.vbs,” “.cfg,” “.dat,” “.db,” “.dbf,” “.dll,” “.ini,” “.log,” “.ora,” “.sys,” and “.zip.”
- To “attach” the file:
  - Click on the “attach” button. A pop-up window will appear.
  - Click on the “Browse” button.
  - Locate the correct file name and double-click on it. The file name will appear in the blank field. Click the “Upload” button.

**Required Information on “Correctional Facilities”**

In section 3 of the online application, the “submitting government official” also must provide, by direct entry into the online application, all of the following information related to “correctional facilities”:

- “Maximum bed count” for the reporting period
- “Total all inmate days” for the reporting period

In addition, section 3 of the online application requires the “submitting government official” to provide, as a file attached to the application, detail on “All inmate days, by reporting day” for the reporting period.

**Pertinent Definitions relating to “Correctional Facilities”**
“Correctional facility” and “contract correctional facility” are defined above.

“Maximum bed count’ for the reporting period”: If the applicant government held inmates in custody only in “correctional facilities” operated by the applicant government itself for its own use, the “maximum bed count’ for the reporting period” is the maximum capacity during any single day of the reporting period of all such “correctional facilities” operated by the applicant government. If, however, the applicant government either did not operate a “correctional facility” for its own use or operated one or more “correctional facilities” for its own use and also used other facilities to hold inmates in custody, the “maximum bed count’ for the reporting period” is the sum of:

- The maximum capacity during any single day of the reporting period of all “correctional facilities” operated by the applicant government itself for its own use.
- The maximum number of inmates, if any, actually held in custody on behalf of (under the legal authority of) the applicant government in a “contract correctional facility” during any single day of the reporting period.
- The maximum number of inmates, if any, actually held in custody by the applicant government during any single day of the reporting period in “temporary” or “overflow” facilities (e.g., gymnasiums).

“Total all inmate days’ for the reporting period” means the cumulative number of days — determined using the nightly “head count” for each of the days in the reporting period — inmates were held in custody in a “correctional facility” by or on behalf of the applicant government (pursuant to its own legal authority) during the “reporting period” regardless of inmate citizenship, legal status, or the number of days held in custody.

Information Required in the “‘All Inmate Days, by Reporting Day’ Detail (for the Reporting Period)”

- Each applicant must attach a file to its application that sets out for each particular day of the reporting period — using nightly “head counts” — the number of inmates held in custody in a “correctional facility” by or on behalf of the applicant government (pursuant to its own legal authority), regardless of inmate citizenship, legal status, or the number of days held in custody.
- This “detail” file may be submitted in one of several commonly used file formats (e.g., Adobe PDF, Microsoft Word, or Microsoft Excel). Note: The sum of all daily entries for “all inmate days” listed in this “detail” file must match the number entered in the online application as “Total all inmate days for the reporting period.”
- JustGrants does not accept executable file types as application attachments. These disallowed file types include, but are not limited to, the following extensions: “.com,” “.bat,” “.exe,” “.vbs,” “.cfg,” “.dat,” “.db,” “.dbf,” “.dll,” “.ini,” “.log,” “.ora,” “.sys,” and “.zip.”
- To “attach” the file:
  - Click on the “Attach” button. A pop-up window will appear.
  - Click on the “Browse” button.
  - Locate the correct file name and double-click on it. The file name will appear in the blank field.
Click the “Upload” button.

**Important Note Regarding “Correctional Officers” and “Correctional Facilities” Data**

As indicated earlier, all information submitted as part of an application to the FY 2022 program is subject to appropriate review by OJP. In appropriate circumstances (e.g., indications that an entry related to “correctional officers” or “total all inmate days” may be erroneous), OJP may require additional information related to the accuracy of the information in the application.

Using data provided by the applicant in section 3 of the application (e.g., data on “correctional officers,” data on “total all inmate days”), JustGrants calculates each applicant’s average daily (salaries) cost per inmate during the “reporting period.” As a point of reference and comparison, for the FY 2020 program, the overall average daily (salaries) cost per inmate (i.e., the average of the daily costs for all applicants that received payments) was $56.51.

**REMINDER**

For each applicant government, there may be only one “submitting government official.” That “submitting government official” must complete all sections of the application and must be the one who submits the application to OJP.

All recipients and subrecipients (including any for-profit organization) must forgo any profit or management fee.

**Application and Submission Information**

**Content of Application Submission and Available Surveys**

See the "Application Elements and Formatting Instructions" section of the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide for information on what happens to an application that does not contain all the specified elements or is nonresponsive to the scope of the solicitation.

**Information to Complete the Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424) in Grants.gov**

The SF-424 must be submitted in Grants.gov. It is a required standard form used as a cover sheet for submission of pre-applications, applications, and related information. See the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide for additional information on completing the SF-424.

In Section 8F of the SF-424, please include the name and contact information of the individual who will complete the application in JustGrants. JustGrants will use this information (email address) to assign the application to this user in JustGrants.

**Intergovernmental Review:** This solicitation (“funding opportunity”) is not subject to Executive Order 12372. (In completing the SF-424, an applicant is to answer question 19 by selecting the response that the “Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.”)
Intergovernmental Review: This solicitation (“funding opportunity”) is subject to Executive Order 12372. An applicant may find the names and addresses of State Single Points of Contact (SPOCs) at the following website: https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/SPOC-4-13-20.pdf. If the applicant’s State appears on the SPOC list, the applicant must contact its SPOC to find out about, and comply with, the State’s process under E.O. 12372. On the SF-424, an applicant whose State appears on the SPOC list is to make the appropriate selection in response to question 19, once the applicant has complied with its State E.O. 12372 process. An applicant whose State does not appear on the SPOC list should answer question 19 by selecting “Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.”

Standard Applicant Information (JustGrants 424 and General Agency Information)

The Standard Applicant Information section of the JustGrants application is pre-populated with the SF-424 data submitted in Grants.gov. The applicant will need to review the Standard Applicant Information in JustGrants and make edits as needed. Within this section, the applicant will need to add zip codes for areas affected by the project; confirm their Authorized Organization Representative; and verify and confirm the organization’s unique entity identifier, legal name, and address.

Disclosure and Assurances

The applicant will address the following disclosures and assurances.

Required Certification to OJP by the Submitting Government Official: Applicant Government and Submitting Government Official

On behalf of myself and the applicant government, and in support of this application to the SCAAP program, I certify to OJP, under penalty of perjury, that the information on the applicant government and the submitting government official entered above as part of this online application to the SCAAP program is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, based upon diligent inquiry and review, and is provided in accordance with the requirements, definitions, and instructions set out in the SCAAP Program Requirements and Application Instructions.” I further certify that I have the legal authority to make this certification to OJP, including from the chief executive of the applicant government.

I understand and acknowledge that OJP will rely upon this and all other certifications in this online application as material representations in any decision to make a SCAAP payment to the applicant government in response to this application.

I understand and acknowledge that a materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement (or concealment or omission of a material fact) in this certification, or in the application that it supports, may be the subject of criminal prosecution (including under 18 U.S.C. §§ 1001 and/or 1621, and/or 34 U.S.C. §§ 10271-10273), and also may subject me and the applicant "state" or "unit of local government" to civil penalties and administrative remedies for false claims or otherwise (including under 31 U.S.C. §§ 3729-3730 and §§ 3801-3812). I also understand and acknowledge that payments under OJP programs such as SCAAP, including certifications provided in connections with such payments, are subject to review by DOJ, including by OJP and the DOJ’s Office of the Inspector General.
Required Certification to OJP by the Submitting Government Official: Information on "Eligible Inmates"

On behalf of myself and the applicant government, and in support of this application to the SCAAP program, I certify to OJP, under penalty of perjury, that the information on "eligible inmates" entered or uploaded as part of this online application to the SCAAP program (1) was determined and is reported here using due diligence, and in accordance with the requirements, definitions, and instructions set out in the SCAAP Program Requirements and Application Instructions,” and (2) is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, based upon diligent inquiry and review. I further certify that I have the legal authority to make this certification to OJP, including from the chief executive of the applicant government.

I understand and acknowledge that OJP will rely upon this certification as a material representation in making any SCAAP payment to the applicant government in response to this application and that this certification is subject to review by DOJ. I also understand that, if this certification is false or otherwise inaccurate or misleading (including because of omission of a material fact), both I and the applicant government may be subject to criminal prosecution, civil penalties, and/or administrative remedies, including as described in the certification in this online application as to the "Applicant Government and Submitting Government Official."

Required Certification to OJP by the Submitting Government Official: Information on "Correctional Officers" and "Facilities"

On behalf of myself and the applicant government, and in support of this application to the SCAAP program, I certify to OJP, under penalty of perjury, that the information on "correctional officers" and "correctional facilities" entered or uploaded as part of this online application to the SCAAP program (1) was determined and is reported here using due diligence, and in accordance with the requirements, definitions, and instructions set out in the SCAAP Program Requirements and Application Instructions” and (2) is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, based upon diligent inquiry and review. I further certify that I have the legal authority to make this certification to OJP, including from the chief executive of the applicant government.

I understand and acknowledge that OJP will rely upon this certification as a material representation in making any SCAAP payment to the applicant government in response to this application, and that this certification is subject to review by DOJ. I also understand that, if this certification is false or otherwise inaccurate or misleading (including because of omission of a material fact), both I and the applicant government may be subject to criminal prosecution, civil penalties, and/or administrative remedies, including as described in the certification in this online application as to the "Applicant Government and Submitting Government Official."

How to Apply

Registration: Before submitting an application, all applicants must register with the System for Award Management (SAM). You must renew and validate your registration every 12 months. If you do not renew your SAM registration, it will expire. An expired registration can delay or prevent application submission in Grants.gov and JustGrants. Registration and renewal can take up to 10 business days to complete.
Submission: Applications must be submitted to DOJ electronically through a two-step process via Grants.gov and JustGrants.

Step 1: After registering with SAM, the applicant must submit the SF-424 and an SF-LLL in Grants.gov at https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/register.html by the Grants.gov deadline. Submit the SF-424 and SF-LLL as early as possible, but no later that 48 hours before the Grants.gov deadline. If an applicant fails to submit in Grants.gov, they will be unable to apply in JustGrants.

Step 2: The applicant must then submit the full application, including attachments, in JustGrants at JustGrants.usdoj.gov by the Grants.gov deadline.

Within 24 hours after receipt of confirmation emails from Grants.gov, the individual in Section 8F of the SF-424 will receive an email from DIAMD-NoReply@usdoj.gov with instructions on how to create a JustGrants account. Register the Entity Administrator and the Application Submitter with JustGrants as early as possible but no later than 48-72 hours before the JustGrants deadline. Once registered in JustGrants, the Application Submitter will receive an emailed link to complete the rest of the application in JustGrants. The Entity Administrator also will need to log into JustGrants to review and invite the applicant’s Authorized Representative(s) before an application can be submitted.

Submit the complete application package in JustGrants at least 24 – 48 hours prior to the JustGrants deadline. Some of the application components will be entered directly into JustGrants, and others will require uploading attached documents. Therefore, applicants will need to allow ample time before the JustGrants deadline to prepare each component. Applicants may save their progress in the system and revise the application as needed prior to hitting the Submit button at the end of the application in JustGrants.

For additional information, see the “How to Apply” section in the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide and the DOJ Application Submission Checklist.

Submission Dates and Time

The SF-424 and the SF-LLL must be submitted in Grants.gov by January 30, 2023, at 8:59 p.m. ET.

The full application must be submitted in JustGrants by February 6, 2023, at 8:59 p.m. ET.

OJP urges applicants to submit their Grants.gov and JustGrants submissions prior to the due dates with sufficient time to correct any errors and resubmit by the submission deadlines if a rejection notification is received. To be considered timely, the full application must be submitted in JustGrants by the JustGrants application deadline. Failure to begin the SAM.gov, Grants.gov, or JustGrants registration process in sufficient time (i.e., waiting until the date identified in this solicitation) is not an acceptable reason for late submission.

Absent highly unusual circumstances, OJP will not extend this deadline or permit an applicant government to submit its application after the application deadline. Much as in previous years, promptly after the application deadline, OJP will transmit to DHS the data on “eligible inmates” from all of the applications submitted to JustGrants before the deadline. The volume of “eligible inmates” data transmitted to DHS (and the nature and
complexity of the DHS review of those data) is such that it is not possible to transmit supplemental or corrected data to DHS.

Experiencing Unforeseen Technical Issues Preventing Submission of an Application

OJP will only consider a request to submit an application after the deadline when the applicant can document that a technical issue with a government system prevented application submission.

If an applicant misses a deadline due to unforeseen technical issues with SAM.gov, Grants.gov, or JustGrants, the applicant may request a waiver to submit an application after the deadline. However, the waiver request will not be considered unless it includes a tracking number generated when the applicant contacts the applicable service desks to report technical difficulties. Tracking numbers are generated automatically when an applicant emails the applicable service desks; and for this reason, applicants are encouraged to email the appropriate service desk, even if they also intend to call the service desk for phone support. Experiencing wait times for phone support does not relieve the applicant of the responsibility of getting a tracking number.

An applicant experiencing technical difficulties must contact the associated service desk indicated below to report the technical issue and receive a tracking number:

- SAM.gov - contact the [SAM Help Desk (Federal Service Desk)](https://www.sam.gov), Monday – Friday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. ET at 866-606-8220.
- Grants.gov - contact the [Grants.gov Customer Support Hotline](https://www.grants.gov), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, except on federal holidays, at 800-518-4726, 606-545-5035, or support@grants.gov.
- JustGrants - contact the JustGrants Service Desk at [JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov](mailto:JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov) or 833-872-5175, Monday – Friday from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. ET and Saturday, Sunday, and Federal holidays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET.

If an applicant has technical issues with SAM.gov or Grants.gov, the applicant must contact the SCAAP Help Desk at scaap@usdoj.gov within 24 hours of the Grants.gov deadline to request approval to submit after the deadline.

If an applicant has technical issues with JustGrants that prevent application submission by the deadline, the applicant must contact the SCAAP Help Desk at scaap@usdoj.gov within 24 hours of the JustGrants deadline to request approval to submit after the deadline.

Waiver requests sent to the SCAAP Help Desk must -

- describe the technical difficulties experienced,
- include a timeline of the applicant's submission efforts (e.g., date and time the error occurred, date and time of actions taken to resolve the issue and resubmit; and date and time support representatives responded),
- include an attachment of the complete grant application and all the required documentation and materials,
- include the applicant's Unique Entity Identifier (UEI), and
OJP will review each waiver request and the required supporting documentation and notify the applicant whether the request for late submission has been approved or denied. An applicant who does not provide documentation of a technical issue or who does not submit a waiver request within the required time period will be denied.

For more details on the waiver process, OJP encourages applicants to review the “Experiencing Unforeseen Technical Issues” section in the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide.

Application Review Information

Review Process

OJP Review of Applications; Corrections to Data (Other than “Eligible Inmate” Data)
All information submitted as part of an application is subject to appropriate review by OJP. If a properly submitted application appears to contain errors that may be corrected by the applicant (such as inaccurate data on correctional officers or correctional facilities), OJP typically will notify the applicant via an email message to the “submitting government official” and the applicant’s chief executive using the email addresses provided in the application. In such a notification, OJP may provide an applicant with an opportunity to correct the application by a particular date. In any such case, to be considered for a SCAAP payment, the applicant must make the appropriate corrections by that date.

Due to the nature and complexity of the data review by DHS, however, no corrections may be made to data submitted on “eligible inmates” (or “inmate records”) after the application deadline has passed.

Federal Award Administration Information

Federal Award Notices

Notification and Acceptance of Payment
Once the amount of any payment under the FY 2022 program has been determined, award notifications will be sent through JustGrants. Please note that the JustGrants award notifications for all OJP programs include standard language, some of which is not applicable to SCAAP. For example, the language regarding post-award programmatic and financial reports can be disregarded. The SCAAP help desk will send a subsequent notification to recipients that will provide information concerning the amount available to the applicant government and will provide detailed instructions for online acceptance (in JustGrants) and drawdown of funds.

An applicant government is to complete the online acceptance process within 45 calendar days after receipt of the email notice from OJP. Formal acceptance in JustGrants is required before any electronic transfer of funds to the applicant government. See the SCAAP Application Submission and Acceptance Job Aid Reference Guide.
Federal Awarding Agency Contact(s)

For assistance with the online application to the FY 2022 program or other aspects of the FY 2022 program, contact the SCAAP Help Desk by phone at 1–202–353–4411 or by email to SCAAP@usdoj.gov. The SCAAP Help Desk operates Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. It is closed on federal holidays.

For technical assistance with submitting the SF-424 in Grants.gov, contact the Grants.gov Customer Support Hotline at 800–518–4726, 606–545–5035, at the Grants.gov customer support web page, or email at support@grants.gov. The Grants.gov Support Hotline operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, except on federal holidays.

For technical assistance with submitting the full application in DOJ’s Justice Grants System (JustGrants), contact the JustGrants Service Desk at JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov, 833–872–5175. The JustGrants Service Desk operates 5 a.m. to 9 p.m. eastern time Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sunday, and federal holidays.

Application Checklist

Standard Solicitation Resources

**OJP Grant Application Resource Guide** provides guidance to assist OJP grant applicants in preparing and submitting applications for OJP funding.

**DOJ Grants Financial Guide** serves as the primary reference manual to assist award recipients in fulfilling their fiduciary responsibility to safeguard grant funds and to ensure funds are used for the purposes for which they were awarded. It compiles a variety of laws, rules and regulations that affect the financial and administrative management of DOJ awards. This guide serves as a starting point for all award recipients and subrecipients of DOJ grants and cooperative agreements in ensuring the effective day-to-day management of awards.

**JustGrants Resources Website** is an entryway into information about JustGrants and the grants management system itself. Through this portal both award recipients and applicants can access training resource and user support options, find frequently asked questions and sign-up for the JustGrants Update e-newsletter.

**JustGrants Application Submission Training Page** offers helpful information and resources on the application process. This training page includes e-learning videos, reference guides, checklists and other resources to help applicants complete an application.

**Virtual Q&A Sessions** are advertised here and provide opportunities for users to receive topic-specific training, direct technical assistance and support on JustGrants system functionality.
Appendix A: SCAAP Data Elements for “Inmate Records” — FY 2022 Program

Please go to https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/fy-2022-SCAAP-appendix-a.pdf for Appendix A

Appendix B: DHS ICE Country Codes — For Use in “Inmate Records”
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Appendix C: Instructions for Upload of ASCII Fixed-field File of “Inmate Records”

Upload of an ASCII Fixed-field File of All “Inmate Records”
This method for submitting “inmate records” on “eligible inmates” allows an applicant to submit the entire set of inmate records as a single ASCII-formatted file uploaded directly into JustGrants. Appendix A specifies the required fields and format.

Each “inmate record” in the uploaded ASCII file is to contain all mandatory data fields in the specified format. Through a file upload “status report” (which will refer to each “inmate record” as a “line”), JustGrants will flag “inmate records” within the ASCII file that do not contain the required information, are not exactly 165 or 166 characters long, or do not follow (or appear not to follow) the specified data format.

“Inmate records” that are incomplete or are not in the specified format as of the date and time of the application deadline will not be considered as part of OJP’s payment calculation process. If an ASCII inmate-record file has been uploaded, but the applicant government has not yet submitted its application to OJP’s JustGrants, the applicant has the option to correct, add to, or otherwise modify the ASCII inmate-record file and upload that file as a replacement for the entire file previously uploaded. (See below.)

To help ensure that the maximum number of “inmate records” is taken into account in the calculation of the amount of any payment, the applicant should be meticulous in preparing the ASCII fixed-field file. If JustGrants nevertheless identifies errors in the file — and the application deadline has not yet passed — the applicant should correct those errors as soon as possible, before it “submits” the application to JustGrants.

ALERTS
• An ASCII “inmate-record” file may not be corrected, added to, or modified in any way once the application deadline has passed.
• If an applicant uploads an ASCII fixed-field file of “inmate records,” any subsequent upload of a new or modified file will overwrite (and delete) the previously uploaded file in its entirety. Similarly, the addition of any inmate records via direct data entry will overwrite (and delete) the previously uploaded ASCII fixed-field file in its entirety.
• Upload of a large ASCII fixed-field file of “inmate records” may take a considerable amount of time.
  • Generally, there is a brief start-up delay when the upload is being initiated.
  • A file that contains 50,000 “inmate records” may take 15 minutes or longer to upload, even after the file upload actually has begun.
  • If the applicant’s internet browser “times out” or is disconnected during the file upload process, errors may result. It is important to review the file upload “status report” (see below) to determine whether the expected number of “inmate records” in fact was uploaded.

The Upload Process – In General
To submit “inmate records” for “eligible inmates” by uploading a single ASCII fixed-field file that includes all such inmate records, follow these steps:
Step 1: In section 2 of the online application, click on the "Upload Inmate File" button.

Step 2: Click on the "Upload" box to attach the file. A pop-up window will appear.

Step 3: Click on the "Browse" button in the pop-up window.

Step 4: Locate the correct file name and double click on it. The file name will appear in the blank field.

Step 5: Click the "Upload" button. A message should appear in the pop-up window that indicates the status of the file upload. Click the "X" in the upper right corner of the pop-up box to close it. The ASCII fixed-field file name should now appear next to the upload button on the main page.

Step 6: Click the "Validate" button. Any errors present in the inmate file will be displayed. Correct any errors listed and reupload the entire inmate file once the update is completed.

Step 7: Click the "Continue" button to proceed to the next section of the application. The file upload "status report" will indicate the total number of "inmate records" uploaded and the number of those records that are "complete." In addition, the report will provide a detailed list of any inmate records (by "line" number) that are incomplete and/or are not in the specific data format. It also will indicate the data fields in which the error(s) appear.

Appendix D: SCAAP Payment Calculations — General Overview

A General Overview of the Method OJP Uses to Calculate Payments under SCAAP

DHS reviews "inmate records." All "complete" inmate records submitted in applications from "eligible applicants" are forwarded by OJP to DHS promptly after the application deadline.

1. DHS conducts a detailed review that focuses on determining whether each individual identified in an "inmate record" in fact was "undocumented" — or was instead a U.S. citizen (or national) or otherwise lawfully present in the United States — at the time of the incarceration identified in the inmate record.

2. DHS provides the results of its review to OJP.

3. OJP reviews the data provided by applicants, including data on "correctional officers," "actual salary expenditures for correctional officers," and "total all inmate days." As appropriate and feasible, OJP requires additional — or corrected — information from applicants.

4. For each applicant government with one or more "inmate records" determined to be eligible for payment, JustGrants calculates the average daily (salaries) cost per inmate for the applicable "reporting period." In general, this is done by dividing "actual salary expenditures for correctional officers" (for the reporting period) by "total all inmate days" (for the reporting period).

5. Using the results of the DHS review, the OJP review, and each applicant’s average daily (salaries) cost per inmate, JustGrants calculates an amount — referred to as the
applicant’s total “eligible inmate costs” — that reflects the applicant’s total (salaries) costs of incarcerating “undocumented criminal aliens” during the applicable “reporting period.”

6. Funds available from appropriations to OJP for SCAAP for the particular application cycle are paid to applicant governments on a proportionate (percentage) basis, using each applicant’s total “eligible inmate costs.”

For example, during the FY 2021 program, payments made to applicant governments represented approximately 31.4 percent of each applicant’s total “eligible inmate costs.”

Appendix E: Law Enforcement Support Center Immigration Alien Query Overview

Overview
State and local law enforcement agencies may provide specific notice to DHS of an “undocumented criminal alien’s” name, their release date, and the individual’s home and work addresses through the Law Enforcement Support Center (LESC). The LESC Immigration Alien Query (IAQ) field is an optional field for each inmate record to assist in establishing the eligibility of inmates for SCAAP reimbursement.

LESC is ICE’s single national point of contact that provides timely immigration status information; identify information; and real-time assistance to local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies on aliens suspected of, arrested for, or convicted of criminal activity. LESC, located in Williston, Vermont, operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.