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SENT VIA EMAIL ONLY

RE: Invitation to Apply for Funding to Support the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC)
Task Forces

Dear Detective Sergeant King:

The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) is inviting the Gainesville Police Department to submit an application for funding under "OJJDP FY 20 Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Invited Applicants" to support the North Florida ICAC Task Force. The proposed period of performance should be 12 months with a project period of October 1, 2020 – September 30, 2021. The amount of federal support requested should not exceed \$438,288.

When completing the application in GMS, please reference project title as: North Florida ICAC Task Force Program. All awards are subject to the availability of appropriated funds, and to any modifications or additional requirements that may be imposed by law. All recipients and subrecipients (including any for-profit organization) must forgo any profit or management fee for the performance of this award. This letter is only an invitation to submit an application and is not an indication of project approval or an authorization to begin work on the project proposed.

OJJDP may, in certain cases, provide additional funding in future years to awards made from this ICAC Task Force Program - Invitation to Apply, through continuation awards. In making decisions regarding continuation awards, OJP will consider, among other factors, the availability of appropriations, when the program or project was last completed, OJP's strategic priorities, and OJP's assessment of both the management of the award (for example, timeliness and quality of progress reports), and the progress of the work funded under the award.

OJJDP expects to make any award from this ICAC Task Force Program Invitation to Apply in the form of a cooperative agreement, which is a type of award that provides for OJP to have

substantial involvement in carrying out award activities. See “Section B. Federal Award Information,” in the attached FY 2020 Guidance for Invited Applications (Application Guidance) for additional information and resources on requirements generally applicable to OJP grants (and cooperative agreements), and on what may constitute substantial federal involvement under this program.

This invitation to apply does not require a match. However, if an application proposes a voluntary match amount, and OJP approves the budget, the total match amount incorporated into the approved budget becomes mandatory and subject to audit.

The application should include a description of goals and activities related to the proposed project, including how they will assist state and local law enforcement agencies enhance capacity and improve effectiveness in responding to online child victimization and child pornography. Specifically, applicants must explain how they will address the following:

- Maintain and expand the ICAC task force.
- Improve task force effectiveness to prevent, interdict, investigate, and prosecute Internet crimes against children and technology-facilitated child exploitation.

Applicants must further explain how they will address the following functions in agreement with Section 104 of the PROTECT Act:

- Work consistently to achieve the purposes described in Section 103 of the PROTECT Act.
- Maintain a task force consisting of state and local investigators, prosecutors, forensic specialist, and education specialists dedicated to addressing the goals of such task force.
- Engage in proactive investigations, forensic examinations, and effective prosecutions of Internet crimes against children.
- Provide forensic, preventive, and investigative assistance to parents, educators, prosecutors, law enforcement, and others concerned with Internet crimes against children.
- Develop multijurisdictional, multiagency partnerships and responses to Internet crimes against children offenses through ongoing informational, administrative, and technological support to other state and local law enforcement agencies so that they can acquire the knowledge, personnel, and specialized equipment to investigate and prosecute such offenses.
- Participate in nationally coordinated investigations that the Attorney General determines are necessary, as available resources permit.
- Establish, adopt, and comply with investigative and prosecution standards, consistent with established norms.
- Investigate tips related to Internet crimes against children, as appropriate, including tips from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children’s CyberTipline, other ICAC

task forces, and other federal, state, and local agencies. Task forces should give priority to investigative leads that hold out the possibility of identifying or rescuing child victims or leads that point to a serious offense or danger to the community.

- Develop procedures for handling seized evidence.
- Maintain reports and records, as the Attorney General requires.
- Comply with national standards regarding the investigation and prosecution of Internet crimes against children, as the Attorney General sets them forth, to the extent they are consistent with the law of the state where the task force is located.

Applicants should include a project abstract that includes a brief description of the project's purpose, the population to be served and the activities that will be implemented to achieve the project goals and objectives.

The Goals, Objectives and Deliverables are directly related to the performance measures that demonstrate the results of the work completed. The application should also address performance measures for the proposed project. The relevant performance measures are listed below. Award recipients will be required to provide the relevant data by submitting performance metrics through the OJJDP ICAC Portal located at <https://icac-ojjdp.ncjrs.gov/Login.aspx>. The following measures are a sampling of the core performance measures for the ICAC Task Force Program, but applicants should examine all measures listed on the OJJDP ICAC Portal. Submission of performance measures data is not required for the application. Instead, applicants should discuss in their application their proposed methods for collecting data for performance measures. Award recipients will be required to provide the relevant data by submitting performance metrics through the OJJDP ICAC Portal on a monthly, quarterly, and annual basis.

Performance Measures

Objective	Performance Measure(s)	Data Grantee Provides
Maintain and expand state and regional ICAC task forces to prevent, interdict, investigate, and prosecute Internet Crimes against children.	Percentage increase in arrests.	Number of ICAC-related arrests during the previous reporting period. Number of ICAC-related arrests during the current reporting period.
Improve task force effectiveness in preventing, interdicting, investigating, and prosecuting Internet crimes against children.	Percentage increase in staff dedicated to investigating and prosecuting Internet crimes against children.	Number of investigators dedicated to investigating Internet crimes against children. Number of prosecutors dedicated to prosecuting Internet crimes against children. Number of education and forensic specialists dedicated to Internet crimes against children. Number of investigators/ prosecutors/education and forensic specialists dedicated to Internet crimes against children during the previous reporting period. Number of investigations initiated for Internet crimes

	<p>Percentage increase in investigations that led to an arrest or conviction.</p> <p>Percentage increase in prosecutions.</p>	<p>against children during the current reporting period.</p> <p>Number of investigations initiated for Internet crimes against children during the previous reporting period.</p> <p>Number of prosecutions for Internet crimes against children during the current reporting period.</p> <p>Number of prosecutions for Internet crimes against children during the previous reporting period.</p>
	<p>Percentage increase in computer forensic examinations that ICAC task forces complete.</p>	<p>Number of computer forensic examinations that ICAC task forces completed during the previous reporting period.</p> <p>Number of computer forensic examinations that ICAC task forces completed during the current reporting period.</p>
	<p>Percentage increase in investigative technical assistance sessions provided.</p>	<p>Number of investigative technical assistance sessions that ICAC task forces provided to nonmember law enforcement agencies during the current reporting period.</p> <p>Number of investigative technical assistance sessions that ICAC task forces provide to nonmember law enforcement agencies during the previous reporting period.</p>
	<p>Number of law enforcement agencies participating in the ICAC program standards.</p>	<p>Number of agencies that sign a memorandum certifying compliance with ICAC program standards.</p>

In the application, the applicant should demonstrate its understanding of the performance data reporting requirements for this grant program and detail how it will gather the required data should it receive funding. An invited applicant is **not** required to submit performance data with the application. Performance measures information is included as an alert that successful applicants will be required to submit performance metrics through the OJJDP ICAC Portal.

Applicants should provide for the travel of one individual to attend three meetings of ICAC task force commanders during the 12-month project period.

An applicant must register in the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) electronic Grants Management System (GMS) at <https://grants.ojp.usdoj.gov/> prior to submitting an application for this Invitation to Apply. All applicants must register, even those previously registered in GMS. Select the “Apply Online” button associated with “OJJDP FY 20 Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Invited Applicants.” **The deadline to register in GMS is 8 p.m. eastern time on June 11, 2020, and the deadline to apply for funding under this Invitation to Apply is 8:00 p.m. eastern time on June 22, 2020.** See “How to Apply (GMS)” in the attached Application Guidance for more information about applying in GMS.

I hope that this information is helpful in preparing your application for funding. If you have any questions or need further information, please contact Tenzing Lahdon by telephone at (202) 598-6500 or by email at Tenzing.Lahdon@ojp.usdoj.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "James Antal".

James Antal
Associate Administrator
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Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

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