



RECOVERY ACT FACT SHEET: MICHIGAN

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The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Recovery Act) includes more than \$4 billion to assist state, local and tribal law enforcement, and for other criminal and juvenile justice activities that help to prevent crime and improve the criminal justice system in the United States while supporting the creation of jobs and much needed resources for states and local communities. Funding for Michigan includes:

Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - \$67 million

The JAG Program allows states and local governments to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime and to improve the criminal justice system. According to the Michigan Office of Drug Control Policy, the \$41 million awarded to the state will create or save jobs for case managers, court liaisons and peer support advocates in mental health courts, as well as continued employment of State Appellate Defender Office staff who provide state-funded appellate services for felony convictions for indigent clients. The state also plans to support strategies for multi-jurisdictional task forces, prescription and over-the-counter drug abuse community awareness programs, community policing and community prosecution strategies, technology enhancement projects, local correctional resources and problem solving courts including drug treatment, domestic violence, family dependency, and mental health. The additional JAG grants to Michigan are pending.

Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force Initiatives - \$1.09 million

The ICAC Task Force grant program helps state and local law enforcement agencies develop effective responses to cyber enticement and child pornography cases. This assistance includes forensic and investigative components, training and technical assistance, victim services, and community education.

Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Program Grants - Over 250 applications submitted

The COPS Hiring Recovery Program (CHRP) is a competitive grant program that provides funding directly to state, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies to hire new and/or rehire career law enforcement officers in an effort to create and preserve jobs, and to increase their community policing capacity and crime-prevention efforts. Up to \$1 billion in grant funding was appropriated for this initiative through the Recovery Act, which will create approximately 5,500 jobs nationwide. Nationwide, the Department of Justice (DOJ) received 7,243 applications requesting \$8.3 billion to create or save 39,000 law enforcement officers positions. DOJ received 253 CHRP applications from agencies in Michigan, requesting \$252.6 million for 1,115 officer positions. Award announcements are expected September 2009.

Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Compensation and Assistance Programs - \$1.51 million

VOCA Compensation and Assistance grants support services to victims of crime, such as crisis intervention, counseling, emergency shelter, criminal justice advocacy, and emergency transportation. The grants also supplement states and territories' efforts to compensate crime victims for crime-related expenses, such as medical costs, mental health counseling, funeral and burial costs, lost wages or loss of support.

Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) Grants - \$4 Million awarded to date

The Recovery Act invests in President Obama and the Attorney General's priority to protect the most vulnerable and victimized, by providing \$225 million to OVW for five of its existing programs. To date, DOJ has awarded \$4.07 million to Michigan through the Services*Training*Officers*Prosecutors Formula Grant (STOP) Program to promote a coordinated, multidisciplinary approach to enhanced services and advocacy to victims, improve the criminal justice system's response, and promote effective law enforcement, prosecution and judicial strategies to address domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking. Additional OVW grants to Michigan are pending.

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