



# Fact Sheet

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## 2024 Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act Program

**Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act (LEMHWA)** funds are used to improve the delivery of and access to mental health and wellness services for law enforcement through the implementation of peer support, training, family resources, suicide prevention, and other promising practices for wellness programs. The 2024 LEMHWA program will fund projects that develop knowledge, increase awareness of effective mental health and wellness strategies, increase the skills and abilities of law enforcement, and increase the number of law enforcement agencies and relevant stakeholders using peer support, training, family resources, suicide prevention, and other promising practices for wellness programs.

**WHEN:** Deadline for first part of application in Grants.gov is **April 24, 2024**, at 4:59 p.m. ET. Deadline for completed application in JustGrants is **April 30, 2024**, at 4:59 p.m. ET.

**Start EARLY.** The process takes more than one day.

**WHERE:** **1.** Register online with [www.sam.gov](https://www.sam.gov) to obtain a Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) and [www.grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov) to complete the Grants.gov application package.

**2.** Complete the application in the [JustGrants Justice Grants System](https://www.justgrants.gov).

**HOW:** Online only. No hard copies sent by U.S. Mail or electronic copies sent via email.

### COPS Office Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act Program

The LEMHWA program has one open solicitation this year:

- Implementation Projects

Please see the Funding Provisions section on page 2 for an overview description of the solicitation. All awards are subject to the availability of appropriated funds and any modifications or additional requirements that may be imposed by law.

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## Funding Provisions

Provisions include the following:

- The **LEMHWA Implementation Projects** solicitation aims to support law enforcement agencies seeking to implement new or enhance existing programs that offer training and/or services for officer mental health, peer mentoring, suicide prevention, stress reduction, and police officer family services. Proposed projects may serve one agency, a consortium of agencies, or personnel from agencies located within a county or state. This solicitation is open to local, state, tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies that have primary law enforcement authority for their jurisdiction.

Proposals should be responsive to the solicitation and identify specific program goals that will be directly accomplished if awarded LEMHWA funding. Detailed descriptions of eligibility and additional information are available in the solicitation guide.

There is up to \$9.8 million in funding available through the LEMHWA Implementation Projects solicitation. Awards made under this solicitation are two years (24 months) in length. There is no local match.

## How to Apply

Applicants are first required to register online with [www.sam.gov](http://www.sam.gov) to obtain their Unique Entity Identifier and [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov) to complete the Grants.gov application package. Deadline to complete this step is **April 24, 2024**. After submitting the Grants.gov application, applicants will receive an email with instructions on completing the second part of the LEMHWA application through JustGrants.

Complete application packages for the FY 2024 LEMHWA solicitation are due by **April 30, 2024**, at 4:59 p.m. ET. Before submitting your application, please review the LEMHWA Solicitation Guide. Applications in hard or electronic format sent via email or U.S. Mail will not be accepted.

Please note: the COPS Office requires two authorized representatives (Law Enforcement Executive/Program Official and Government Executive/Financial Official) for its grant applications. Confirm your two authorized representatives complete the steps to create their accounts. If they do not, the delay may prevent timely submission of your application.

### Contact the COPS Office

For more information about COPS Office programs and resources, please call the COPS Office Response Center at 800-421-6770 or visit the COPS Office website at <https://cops.usdoj.gov>.