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Thank you for all of the tireless work you do to protect communities, serve victims, and support a justice system that is just, fair, and effective. We are beginning to make nearly \$4.6 billion in 2021 grant awards using JustGrants, the consolidated grants management system.

We want to take just a moment to update you on the Department's timeline for this year's awards.

We are currently deploying a strategy to ensure that all award packages are moved through JustGrants as expeditiously as possible. All grants that must be awarded by September 30, 2021 will be prioritized for processing to ensure funds are obligated as required. We expect some OJP and COPS Office grants will be awarded after September 30, but we do not anticipate making awards later than December 31, 2021. For OVW grants, OVW anticipates issuing most, if not all, of its grant awards by September 30, 2021, and anticipates providing notice to successful applicants no later than October 31.

Like previous years, grantee access to funds is dependent on grantee acceptance of the award, final budget clearance, and compliance with special conditions. Typically, this can take several weeks post-acceptance of award. New grantees must enroll in the Department of the Treasury's Automated Standard Application for Payments (ASAP) prior to requesting payments, meet the terms of their award conditions related to drawing down funds, and receive budget clearance.

While we deeply regret that there may be delays and understand how important it is to get all grant awards processed as quickly as possible, please know Department staff and contractors have been working as quickly as possible to get these critical resources to the field, so that our stakeholders can continue the essential work of supporting safe and just communities.

We will continue to send updates via e-mail, post information on the [Justice Grants website](#) and on social media, and share information about awards as they are made.

For technical support or to report issues with the JustGrants system, we have the following support teams ready to assist:

- COPS Office and OJP applicants and award recipients should contact [JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov](mailto:JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov) or 833-872-5175, Monday through Friday from 5:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Eastern Time (ET); Saturday, Sunday, and federal holidays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET.
- OVW applicants and award recipients should contact [OVW.JustGrantsSupport@usdoj.gov](mailto:OVW.JustGrantsSupport@usdoj.gov) or 866-655-4482.

On behalf of the Department's grant-making components and Department leadership, we want to thank you for your patience as we continue to work to get the FY 2021 awards processed and to our vital partners across the Nation.

Thank you again for your patience and deep commitment to our shared mission.

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