

Nevada Local Justice Reinvestment (NLJR) Grant

Grant Status and Updates

The Nevada Department of Sentencing Policy (NDSP) is providing the following update regarding the Nevada Local Justice Reinvestment Grant.

Grant Application Rounds 1 – 4: Overview:

County	Round #	Amount Requested	Amount Granted
Douglas	1	\$70,001	\$70,001
Esmeralda	1	\$23,520	0.00
Humboldt	1	\$129,821	\$153,291
Lyon	1	\$199,663	TBA
Nye	1	\$108,981	0.00
	2	0.00	0.00
Esmeralda/Nye	3	\$61,831	TBA
Pershing	3	\$1,417,040	0.00
Clark	4	\$143,929	TBA
Mineral	4	\$99,041	TBA
Storey	4	\$83,958	TBA
Totals:		\$2,337,855	\$223,292

Round #1: deadline April 12: Five Applications Received:

Three Applications Awarded Funding:

- **Grant 01:**
 - **Organization: Partnership Douglas County**
 - Project: Douglas County MOST and FASTT Program Expansion
 - Requested: \$70,001
 - Granted: \$70,001
 - This project is an expansion of the MOST and FASTT programs in Douglas County. The MOST program is a deflection strategy to keep potential offenders from going to jail. The FASTT program is a diversion program to keep individuals getting out of jail or prison from returning. These funds will help sustain staff from the loss of their current funds. This means services will remain at the 6-day a week level for the MOST program. This team provided service to 968 individuals in 2023 and that level will continue. These funds will help increase contacts with 10 new people plus

20 follow-up contacts per month. For the FASTT program, these funds will be used to increase the hours worked from 10 to 20 hours per week and increase services to 10-low-risk offenders per month along with a 30-day post release follow-up. Finally, Partnership Douglas County will add men’s and women’s mental health training services through a contract with the Suicide Prevention Network.

- Overall, it is estimated:
 - The MOST program will assist at least 726 individuals over 9-months of the grant period.
 - The FASTT program will assist 120 low-risk offenders with 240 follow-up contacts over the course of 12 months.
 - The Suicide Prevention Network classes will be taught to 40 people.

- **Grant 02:**
 - **Organization: Humboldt County Human Services**
 - Project: Reentry Services for Humboldt County
 - Requested: \$93,840 in state funds; \$36,051 match = \$129,821
 - Granted: \$111,840 in state funds; \$41,451 match = \$153,291
 - This project will expand Reentry services in Humboldt County. Through this grant, funds will be used to secure employment documents like IDs, Social Security Cards, and Birth Certificates; increase the rate of employment upon the return to the community; and help secure temporary housing for up to 6-months. A pilot project was added to help secure more permanent housing by providing rent and a deposit.
 - Target numbers were not provided.

- **Grant 03:**
 - **Organization: Lyon County Human Services**
 - Project: Reentry Support
 - Requested: \$153,587 in state funds; \$46,076 match = \$199,663
 - Granted: TBA
 - This program is for Re-Entry Support. Lyon County’s FASTT data showed that of the 262 individuals contacted in FY23, 40% or 104 individuals were re-arrested. This is a pilot project that will be adding peer support in the form of in-person and phone support to post release. The grant will track these individuals to see if this reduces recidivism. This grant also contains a request for additional staff training and out-of-state travel.
 - Target numbers were not provided.

Two Applications Declined Funding:

Two grant applications were received from a single non-profit. The non-profit split the applications into activities by county. In both cases, the Peer Review Committee members had the concerns detailed below. The organization was provided technical assistance and offered the opportunity to re-submit their application by June 21, 2024.

1. The requested funds were for the continuation of their existing services versus an expansion of services.
 2. The applicant is a referral organization that did not appear to provide direct services. The Peer Review Committee wanted to see these funds have a more direct impact on the target population.
 3. The Peer Review Committee did not see enough information on specific goals or how this organization was going to achieve their goals.
 4. Their proposed efforts seemed more in line with diversion versus deflection.
- Application #4: Esmeralda County:
 - Project: Deflection Program
 - Requested: \$23,520
 - Granted: \$0
 - Application #5: Nye County:
 - Project: Deflection Program
 - Requested: \$108,981
 - Granted: \$0

Update for Rounds 2 – 4; Peer Review Process: May 28 – June 21:

Round #2 deadline April 26:

- No applications received.

Round #3 deadline: May 10: Two Applications Received:

1. Application #6: a non-profit in Pershing County requested \$1,417,040. This application was rejected because the applying non-profit was trying to build a second, brand-new non-profit from scratch and the principals for this new organization did not appear to have any experience working with the NLJR grant's target population. This applicant was provided technical assistance and invited to submit a new application by June 21, 2024.
2. Application #7: a non-profit providing victim services in Esmeralda and Nye counties (a different non-profit than the one mentioned above) submitted a grant application for \$61,831. This application was for a continuation of existing services versus a unique project. The applicant is responding to questions about the grant

application. This funding request will go through the Peer Review Committee process with the applications received for Round #4.

Round #4 deadline: May 24: Three Applications Received by May 23:

1. Application #8: a non-profit in Mineral County requested \$99,041 for their CHW Jail Diversion Program. These grant funds will be used to expand services by adding another Community Health Worker (CHW) to their team. This new CHW will be working under their FASTT-like framework, but this work will lay the foundation for future expansion which will add a MOST-like program component. No target data was provided.
2. Application #9: a municipal court requested \$100,750 with a match of \$43,179 for a total of \$143,929 for their Mental Health Court (MHC). For eligible participants, this MHC program is 18-24 months with 4 phases. The current number of individuals served annually is 30, with 20 active participants at any given time. This proposal looks to increase participation to 40 individuals annually and set higher retention goals. This program's goals are achieved through a contract with Sierra Sage Recovery and their recovery housing. This MHC has a recidivism rate for graduates of 38%. The court is proposing to increase data gathering and analysis to better understand and improve their retention and recidivism rates.
3. Application #10: the same non-profit in Mineral County (see Application #8 above) is requesting \$83,958 for a "MOST-like and FASTT-like Community Health Worker" in Storey County. The Community Health Worker (CHW) will be the first point of contact with any Storey County resident of concern whether in the community or in jail. This program is currently grant funded and in need of additional funding to continue the program making this a continuation of existing service proposal. No target data was provided.