



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS
Sex Trafficking Investigation and Training Grants (2016-2017)

Overview: \$487,500 in state grant funds have been designated to enhance the capacity of local law enforcement entities for sex trafficking investigations. These grants are to be used for multi-jurisdictional demonstration projects, training, or expansion of existing investigators’ time to identify and investigate sex trafficking. Priority was given to those with strong partnerships in place and geographical areas that have unmet needs in the area of sex trafficking investigations and/or training.

OJP received 19 applications from across the state with requests totaling more than \$1.7 million. After a peer review process, six proposals were selected for 2-year grant funding.

APPLICANT	PROJECT	SERVICE AREA
Baxter Police Department	Brainerd Lakes Area Sex Trafficking Team (BLASTT)	Crow Wing County
Bemidji Police Department	Northstar Human Trafficking Elimination Project	Beltrami, Hubbard, Cass & Clearwater Leech Lake, Red Lake & White Earth
Duluth Police Department	City of Duluth Sex Trafficking Investigations Project	St. Louis, Lake & Carlton Counties
Rochester Police Department	Rochester Police Initiative to End Sex Trafficking (REST)	Olmsted, Mower, Fillmore, Dodge, Wabasha & Winona Counties
St Paul Police Department	Human Trafficking Capacity Building Multi-Jurisdictional Project	Ramsey County
Washington County Attorney's Office	Washington County Human Trafficking Unit	Washington County

The following 13 applicants were not selected for funding.

APPLICANT	PROJECT	SERVICE AREA
Alexandria Police Department	West Central Sex Crimes Enforcement	Douglas County
Bagley Police Department	Clearwater County Sex Trafficking Investigation & Training	Clearwater County
Cook County Sheriff's Office	Cross-Border Investigative and Operational Project	Cook County
Dakota County Sheriff's Office	DCECU Sex Trafficking Exercise	Dakota County
Metro Transit Police	Metro Transit Sex Trafficking Project	8-County Metro Area
Mille Lacs County Sheriff's Office	Mille Lacs Sex Trafficking Unit	Mille Lacs County
Nicollet County Sheriff's Office	Minnesota South Central Investigator's Coalition (MSCIC)	Nicollet, Blue Earth & Brown Counties
Nobles County	Southwest Minnesota Sex Trafficking Investigations	Nobles, Jackson, Pipestone, Cottonwood, Rock & Murray Counties
Pine County Sheriff's Office	East Central Drug and Violent Offenders Task Force	Chisago, Isanti, Kanabec & Pine Counties
Rice County Sheriff's Office	Rice County Sex Trafficking Grant	Rice County
Roseville Police Department	IMPACT Sex Trafficking Project	Ramsey County
Stillwater Police Department	Sex Trafficking Grant	Washington County
Waite Park Police Department	Central Minnesota Sex Trafficking Task Force	Stearns, Benton & Sherburne Counties