

FISCAL YEAR 2024

Support Drug Courts and Veterans Treatment Courts

\$95 million

for drug court discretionary grant program at DOJ

\$35 million

for veterans treatment court grant program at DOJ

Investment in these evidence-based programs must continue to help state and local leaders increase their capacity to address the growing substance use disorder crisis.

Drug courts and veterans treatment courts transform the justice system's response to substance use disorder and mental illness by offering an evidence-based alternative to incarceration. Research demonstrates adult drug courts are the most successful intervention in our nation's history for leading people with substance use disorders out of the justice system and into lives of health and recovery in the community.

The U.S. Department of Justice study confirmed drug courts reduce crime by up to 58 percent and save, on average, \$6,000 per participant. Additional benefits include increases in employment, education, family functioning, and financial stability.

"The court team didn't give up on me. They treated me like a human being, and I will work every day to give others what was so freely given to me."

– Carlos G., graduate
New Mexico

Language Request

Technical change to bring the title of the program up-to-date with who the program serves.

- Change the name of "drug court discretionary grant program" to "treatment court discretionary grant program" in § 34 U.S.C. Subchapter XXX

Treatment courts include adult drug court, juvenile drug court, family treatment court, DWI court, tribal healing to wellness court. DOJ has historically supported these types of treatment courts under this program.

"To the drug court, I was a human being who had the potential to change, not just another lost cause in an epidemic."

– Abby F., graduate
Maine

Please support level funding for these programs in Fiscal Year 2024

Program	FY 2022 Funding	FY 2023 Funding	NADCP Request
Drug Court Discretionary Grant Program, Dept. of Justice (Pub. L. 115-271)	\$88 million	\$95 million	\$95 million
Veterans Treatment Court Program, Dept. of Justice (Pub. L. 114-198)	\$29 million	\$35 million	\$35 million

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