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## Profile of Federal Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Funding: Nevada

### Federal Funding Overview:

In Nevada, the Juvenile Justice Commission (JJC) is the statutorily required state advisory group (SAG) that allocates Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDP) funds and sets priorities for programming across the state that are consistent with the JJDP. The JJC helps determine how funds granted by the U.S. Department of Justice's Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) should be expended, and reports regularly to the Governor and state legislature on the status of the state's compliance with the four core requirements of the JJDP.<sup>1</sup>

Formula & Block  
Grant Funding FY10:  
\$1.2 million

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Grant Funding FY18:  
\$411,267

Decrease of 66% so  
far this decade.

### Diminishing Funds:

The JJC's role, and the preservation of the federal funding stream, is more essential now than ever before. **Nationwide, federal allocations for juvenile justice programs decreased by nearly 48% during the 16 years that the JJDP went unauthorized.**<sup>2</sup> In Nevada, meanwhile, between FY10 and FY18 alone, the state experienced a **66% reduction in its formula and block grant allocations.**<sup>3</sup> In FY10 the state received \$531,400 through the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant (JABG) program. For the past five fiscal years, however, that sum has been zeroed out in the federal budget. Nevada also received \$84,945 in Title V funding in FY2010, but Congress has earmarked Title V funding in the last several years, decreasing the likelihood that states receive funding under the program. The lone remaining source of federal funding, Title II, has also diminished. In FY10, Nevada received \$600,000 in Title II funding. In FY18, that figure had decreased to \$411,267. To counter some of this impact, in 2011 the JJC expanded its scope of work to include the facilitation of public-private partnerships to accomplish the goals of the JJDP. One such partnership is with the Annie E. Casey Foundation's Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI).

<sup>1</sup> The four core requirements of the JJDP are: 1) deinstitutionalization of status offenders, (2) separation of adults and juveniles in secure institutions, 3) jail removal; and 4) addressing racial and ethnic disparities. Retrieved from, [http://www.act4jj.org/about\\_requirements.html](http://www.act4jj.org/about_requirements.html).

<sup>2</sup> Act4JJ. (2019). Juvenile Justice Federal Funding Chart. Retrieved from, <http://www.act4jj.org/sites/default/files/resource-files/Historic%20Funding%20Chart%20-%20FY19.pdf>

<sup>3</sup> All numbers are based upon figures reported by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. Grant Awards and Past Solicitations. Retrieved from, <https://www.ojjdp.gov/funding/funding.html#2>. Accessed June 4, 2019

### Federal Dollars in Action:

Nevada sub-grants more than half of its Title II funding to community partners to include non-profits and county entities. They also fund the partial salary of the JJ Specialist, who is also the Compliance Monitor and Racial and Ethnic Disparities Coordinator. They utilize \$20,000 for the SAG, and lastly, they fund compliance monitoring contractor who does facility visits in southern Nevada.

### *The Title II Formula Grants Program*

The FY18 federal JJDP A Title II investment in Nevada is \$411,267. Nevada used 10% of Title II funds for Planning and Administration, and \$20,000 for the JJC.<sup>4</sup> A portion of the funding went to compliance monitoring for the JJDP A and just under 65% was subgranted out to local, city, county, or nonprofit grantees.<sup>5</sup> These funds support programs and strategies that increase alternatives to detention and prevent youth system involvement at the earliest onset of delinquency. Some of the subgrantees that have previously received Title II funds focused on improving youth and community safety outcomes through structured alternatives to detention include:

### APPENDIX D Title II Formula Grant FFY 2018 Sub Grantees

	Grantee	Program Name	Program Area	Amount Approved
1	National Coalition of Juvenile Justice (NCJJ)	Evidence Based Resource Center	# 27 - Juvenile Justice System Improvement	\$51,806.00
2	Sixth Judicial District Youth and Family Services	SEEK	#3 Alternatives to Detention and #24 Indian Tribe Programs	\$33,120.00
3	Quest Counseling & Consulting	Mental Health Program	#12 - Mental Health Services	\$32,968.00
4	Clark County Department of Juvenile Justice	Motivational Enhancement Therapy (MET)	#18 - Substance and Alcohol Abuse	\$50,000.00
5	Clark County Department of Juvenile Justice	Substance Abuse Assessment and Referral Program	#18 - Substance and Alcohol Abuse	\$80,000.00
6	Carson City Juvenile Probation	Mental Health Program	#12 - Mental Health Services	\$13,000
	<b>Totals</b>			<b>\$260,894.00</b>

Note: These projects have not yet started as the Title II Formula Grant is currently frozen.

Appendix D was pulled from Nevada's Report to the Governor <sup>6</sup>

<sup>4</sup> Bittleston, Leslie. (2019). Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention Act Title II Formula Grant Program NRS 62B.600 through NRS 62B.645 and NRS 62H.225: 2018 Governor's Annual Report – Updated May 2019.. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) and Juvenile Justice Programs Office (JJPO). Retrieved from [http://dcfs.nv.gov/uploadedFiles/dcfsnv.gov/content/Programs/JJS/2018\\_Governors\\_Report.pdf](http://dcfs.nv.gov/uploadedFiles/dcfsnv.gov/content/Programs/JJS/2018_Governors_Report.pdf)

<sup>5</sup> Id.

<sup>6</sup> Id.

*The Juvenile Accountability Block Grant Program (JABG)*

In FY13, the federal JABG investment in Nevada was \$405,210. This pot of money was zeroed out in FY14 and the following fiscal years. When these funds were available, Nevada used them for programs such as:

- **Clark County:** Launched three initiatives: Detention Review and Release, a Juvenile Drug Court, and a Substance Abuse Assessment and Referral program. This triage of programs provides substance abuse and mental health assessments and referrals to treatment in community-based settings. Additionally, funds support alternatives to detention, including intensive supervision for youth awaiting court hearings.
- **Fifth Judicial District in Hawthorne:** Established a Youth Commitment Alternative Program with the goal of providing community-based alternatives that reduce recidivism.
- **Washoe County Juvenile Crime Enforcement Coalition:** Created a supervised release program that serves youth in the community. Funds also support probation personnel that provide intensive supervision to court-involved youth as an alternative to detention.

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