



State Criminal Alien Assistance Program 2009-F9198-TX-AP

OMB Number: 1121-0243
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SCAAP Grant Number: 2009-AP-BX-0214
Help Jurisdiction: County of Hidalgo
GMS Vendor Number: 746000717
Home Award Amount: \$672,794

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Fiscal Year 2009 Payment Acceptance and Electronic Transfer of Funds

The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) has completed its review of your facility, inmate, and correctional officer data related to the State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAP). The Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement has vetted the inmate records, and an award amount has been calculated.

In accepting this award, you understand that BJA reserves the right to take appropriate administrative action, including intensive monitoring, repayment action, or adjustment to future payments, to resolve data discrepancies, errors, or audit findings related to any information reported in your application.

Applicants are now required to accept awards online within 45 calendar days of award notice, in accordance with the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) Financial Guide, Part II, Chapter 2, Acceptance Procedures requiring acceptance/drawdown of awards with 45 days of notice of award, and Part IV, Chapter 2, section 16.606, State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAP) requiring an "expeditious draw-down of payments."

Jurisdictions accepting SCAAP awards are not required to submit financial or progress reports to OJP. For FY 2009 SCAAP awards, the Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005 (Pub. L. 109-162, Title XI) requires that all SCAAP funds be used for correctional purposes only. Please see the use of funds list and certification below. With your acceptance (by clicking on the Accept button below) of SCAAP's terms, conditions, and award amount, OJP will initiate an electronic payment in that amount to your bank account of record, as verified through the on-line SCAAP registration process and in accordance with applicable E-Government rules and requirements.

All issues related to the electronic transfer of funds or the bank account of record must be referred to the OCFO Customer Service Center at 800-458-0786. Please allow 15 business days for the electronic payment process to be complete before contacting OCFO. Please have the grant number, amount, and vendor information (noted above) available when you call.

FY 2009 SCAAP Use of Funds List

- *Construction* ---
Construction for inmate housing, inmate programs, prison industries in ADA compliance
- *Training/Education for offender* ---
Specific trade employment skills
GED testing
Job Preparedness
- *Training for corrections officers to help manage offender population* ---
Bi-lingual language skills
Less than lethal technology training
Diversity training

As the CEO or authorized designee of this jurisdiction, I understand the guidelines and requirements as associated with the previous statements and agree to abide by them in all matters involving the FY 2009 State Criminal Alien Assistance Program.

Richard Ozuna

From: SCAAP [SCAAP@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Thursday, October 29, 2009 8:27 AM
To: SCAAP
Subject: FY 2009 SCAAP Drawdown Announcement

Dear SCAAP Recipient:

The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) is pleased to announce that your Fiscal Year 2009 State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAP) award is complete and is ready for drawdown. To view the FY 2009 SCAAP awards, visit <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/grant/scaap.html>.

Please follow the instructions below to accept your SCAAP award:

- o Access the Grants Management System web site at <https://grants.ojp.usdoj.gov/> and log on using your SCAAP user id and password.
- o Locate the Application status block that contains your 2009 SCAAP application. You will see "View" and "Drawdown" links under the "Action" header located on the right side of this block.
- o Click on "Drawdown." This will take you to an acceptance screen that displays your grant number, jurisdiction name, and award amount at the top. Please print this screen for your records.
- o Select at least one use of SCAAP funds on the provided list. **Multiple selections are possible with the Control key and mouse click.**
- o Review and click the certification checkbox before accepting the award.
- o **Use of SCAAP Awards:** The Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005 (Pub. L. 109-162, Title XI) included the following requirement regarding the use of SCAAP funds: "Amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in paragraph (5) that are distributed to a State or political subdivision of a State, including a municipality, may be used only for correctional purposes." Beginning with FY 2007 SCAAP awards, SCAAP funds must be used for correctional purposes only.
- o At the bottom of the screen, there is an "Accept" and "Decline" button. After you accept your award, you will be taken to a screen that confirms your acceptance. **Applicants are required to accept awards online within 45 calendar days of this award notice. This email serves as notice for you to accept your SCAAP award online.**
- o Following your acceptance of the SCAAP terms, conditions, and award amount, OJP will initiate an electronic payment to your bank account of record, verified through the online SCAAP registration process.
- o Allow 15 business days for the electronic payment process to occur.

For questions concerning your SCAAP award amount, please email BJA at SCAAP@ojp.usdoj.gov. For password resets, technical or system-related questions, please call the GMS Helpdesk at 1-888-549-9901, Option 5 or email GMSHelp@ojp.usdoj.gov. For questions related to the electronic transfer of funds or bank account of record, please contact the OCFO Customer Service Center at 1-800-458-0786 or AskOCFO@usdoj.gov.

Thank you and congratulations on your SCAAP award.

SCAAP Program Team

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