MEMORANDUM

TO: All Grantees of Division of Justice and Community Services
FROM: Joseph C. Thornton, Director
DATED: January 15, 2019
Re: Federal Government Shut Down

Please be advised that as of January 15, 2019, the federal government shut down is still officially in place. Most federal grant funds are frozen which prohibit the Division from drawing down or reimbursing federal monies for many federal grants.

If your program(s) is/are funded in whole, or in part, with federal grants, your program(s) may be negatively affected.

Our Division is monitoring this situation very closely. In the interim if you have any questions do not hesitate to contact your DJCS designated specialist at 304-558-8814.

We sincerely apologize for any inconvenience or hardship this circumstance creates for you.

JCT: bjw
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TO: All Grantees of Division of Justice and Community Services
FROM: Joseph C. Thornton, Director
DATED: January 18, 2019
Re: Federal Government Shut Down Update #1

Please be advised that on January 17, 2019 we have been advised the following from our federal granting agencies:

Dear OJP Award Recipient—

The purpose of this email is to update you on the operational status of the Office of Justice Programs (OJP). If the partial government shutdown does continue, OJP has sufficient resources to remain operational through 5:00 p.m. (EST) on Friday, March 1, 2019. This means that OJP staff will be available to assist grantees, stakeholders, and the public during this period. Likewise, OJP systems and services will be available. As an OJP award recipient, your organization should continue with your scheduled, federally-funded activities.

While OJP remains operational, grantee payment requests received through the Grants Payment Request System (GPRS) will be processed and submitted to Treasury for payment on a daily basis. If OJP's operational status changes, we will contact you regarding the impact on our services and systems.

Dear OVW Grantee:

I am pleased to inform you that you will have continued access to the Grant Payment Request System. In other words, you will continue to have access to your grant funds until further notice. Please continue to request drawdowns per usual.

OVW remains fully operational. We are here to assist you in any way you may need. Please contact your Program Specialist with any specific questions or concerns.

Thank you for all that you do! We appreciate you and your patience.
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Please keep in mind, if your program(s) is/are funded in whole, or in part, with federal grants, your program(s) may be negatively affected should the shutdown continue past March 1. Please take the necessary steps for ongoing challenges should the shutdown continue beyond the indicated date.

Our Division will continue monitoring this situation very closely. In the interim if you have any questions do not hesitate to contact your DJCS designated specialist at 304-558-8814.

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