Administrative Office of the Courts NOTICE OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITY (NOFO)

NOFO #: FO-2026-PSC-009



Office of Problem-Solving Courts

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PSC DISCRETIONARY GRANT

In support of the Maryland Judiciary's mission to provide fair, efficient, and effective justice for all, the Office of Problem-Solving Courts (OPSC) is responsible for assisting problem-solving court programs statewide in the development, maintenance, and advancement of a collaborative therapeutic system. OPSC has overseen the creation of problem-solving courts in 23 of the 24 Maryland jurisdictions and works with public and private stakeholders to develop and establish best practices in problem-solving courts.

Grant Purpose

This grant is designed to enhance operational Problem-Solving Courts in Maryland. OPSC Problem-Solving Court Discretionary Grants are not meant to supplant or replace any prior grant funds or awards. Grant funding may only be used to support Judiciary staff assigned to problem-solving courts and enhance the Problem-Solving Courts and any other ancillary services that will be utilized by and for the betterment of the community members served by this court program.

Eligible Applicants

Circuit Courts that are currently approved or are in the process of developing a problem-solving court in Maryland are eligible to apply for grant funding.

Availability and Awards of Funds

The availability of funds is contingent upon the provision of funds in the Maryland Judiciary budget allocated by the Maryland General Assembly for Fiscal Year 2026. Applicants who are awarded funding will receive notice in May of 2025.

Match Requirements

None required.

Funding Cycle: July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026

APPLICATION SUBMISSION INFORMATION

Application Due: Friday, March 21, 2025

Documents: Scanned PDF submitted by email only **Subject Line:** PSCDGFY26 – County Name and Court

Type(s)

(Please submit emails with the Subject Title as described above)

Delivery Address: OPSC.Grants@mdcourts.gov

Grant Submission Checklist

- Signed Grant Application
 - Cover Sheet
 - Program Narrative and Budget with Justification

Additional Terms & Requirements

- General Grant Conditions
- FY 2026 Special Conditions for PSC Discretionary Grant

Successful Applicant Tools & Tips

- Before submitting your application, read the NOFO, General Conditions, Special Conditions, and application instructions in their entirety.
- If needed, seek guidance from OPSC staff before the application deadline.
- Whenever possible, provide timely data in your responses that demonstrate the effectiveness of your program.
- Provide a justification for every budgeted line item.
- Review your application packet before submission.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

OPSC Pre-Grant Technical Assistance Meeting

Jan. 9, 2025 @ 10 AM - 2 PM

Maryland Judicial Center 187 Harry S. Truman Parkway Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Virtual Option Available

Questions: OPSC.Grants@mdcourts.gov

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