**In Response To**: [*Request for proposal (RFP) title and date issued*]

**Submitted To**: Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) National Training and Technical Assistance Center

**Submitted By**: [*Name of your organization or your name if not affiliated with an organization*]

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1. **Understanding and Approach**

*[Sections 1.a, 1.b, and 1.c when combined are not to exceed six pages, doubled-spaced.]*

* 1. **Understanding of the Problem**

*[Provide a narrative that describes your knowledge and understanding of the issue(s) described in the RFP, as well as a description of your ability to achieve the objectives of this RFP.]*

* 1. **Technical Approach**

*[Provide a narrative that describes your approach or methodology to achieve the objective(s) and deliverables described in the RFP. The narrative response shall include the quality, comprehensiveness, and feasibility of methods and plans proposed to accomplish the required tasks.]*

* 1. **Relevant Experience and Capabilities**

*[Provide a narrative that describes your relevant experiences and capabilities related to the objective(s) described in the RFP. Highlight your previous experience offering similar services or capabilities and include any key personnel related to the objective(s) described in the RFP.]*

1. **Budget**

*[Provide a proposed detailed and itemized budget, including labor and all other direct costs. A sample budget template is provided below, which is an embedded Microsoft Excel chart that can be manipulated when double-clicked. It is not required that you use this template, but please ensure a complete and clear budget is submitted that matches the proposed technical approach.]*



1. **Timeline, Key Tasks, and Deliverables**

*[Provide a proposed timeline, including key tasks and deliverables related to completing the engagement. A sample timeline template is provided below. It is not required that you use this template, but please ensure a complete and clear timeline is submitted that matches the proposed technical approach.]*

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|  | ***Timeline*** | | | | | | | |
| *Week beginning:* | ***[date]*** | ***[date]*** | ***[date]*** | ***[date]*** | ***[date]*** | ***[date]*** | ***[date]*** | ***[date]*** |
| ***Task/Deliverable*** |
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1. **Staffing**

*[Describe/list proposed staff, including their relevant capabilities and a biographical statement or resume for each. If staff member names are included in the budget section of this response, then those names should also be included in this section.]*

***NOTE****:* BJA reserves the right to work with the selected provider on revising the proposed technical approach, budget, and/or timeline as necessary to complete the work.

**EVALUATION CRITERIA**: When responding to the RFP, please take into consideration responses to the RFP will be rated on the evaluation criteria displayed below, along with their corresponding point values out of a possible 100:

* **Understanding of the Problem** (10 points)

Responses must demonstrate that the provider has a clear understanding of the requirements, as outlined in the RFP. Points for this factor will be based on a judgment of the degree to which the provider understands and demonstrates the ability to achieve the objectives of the RFP.

* **Technical Approach** (30 points)

This factor evaluates the extent to which the provider’s response provides a clear, effective, innovative, and feasible approach to meeting the RFP requirements. The narrative response shall include the quality, comprehensiveness, and feasibility of methods and plans proposed to accomplish the required objectives. The technical approach should include the activities (e.g., onsite and offsite assistance) that will be used to accomplish the objectives.

* **Relevant Experience and Capabilities** (10 points)

This factor assesses the provider’s ability to offer effective services throughout the life of this task. Responses must demonstrate the provider’s previous experience offering similar services or capabilities.

* **Budget** (20 points)

Each response will be evaluated based on the total proposed cost, including labor and other direct costs. In addition, this factor will include an assessment of the provider’s response for completeness, realism, reasonableness, and risk.

* **Timeline** (10 points)

This factor assesses the proposed period of performance provided by the provider to meet the objectives of this RFP; the timeline is also assessed for the realism and reasonableness of the approach.

* **Staffing** (20 points)

The provider must demonstrate that proposed personnel are optimally suited for the work to be performed. A resume or biographical statement must be included for each proposed individual.