

*INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE
FY2001 STATE BODY ARMOR REPLACEMENT FUND PROGRAM*

A. Allocation of Funds:

Minimum grants in the amount of \$500 will be awarded to eligible agencies that submit a timely application. Additional funds are disbursed based upon each agency's complement of officers in relation to the total number of eligible officers, statewide.

B. Eligible Law Enforcement Agencies:

Applications may be filed by any local law enforcement agency that employs one or more full time, sworn, permanently appointed correctional officer or law enforcement officer who has the power to arrest and who regularly exercises police powers regarding the enforcement of the general criminal laws of this State. Applications may also be filed by the Divisions of State Police and Criminal Justice, the State Department of Corrections, the Juvenile Justice Commission, and the Division of Probation Services of the Administrative Office of the Courts.

Application Procedure:

If the submission of your grant application requires a **resolution** from your governing body, it is recommended that you begin this process immediately.

1. **Previous applicants:** Review information on the enclosed application form and reporting form. Correct/update if necessary. Sign and return.
2. **New applicants:** Complete the application form and the reporting form. Sign and return.

Please send your completed application form and reporting form to:

New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice
Program Development and Grants Section
Body Armor Replacement Fund Program
Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex
25 Market Street, P.O. Box 085
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0085
Attn: Ida R. Pennacchi, Program Analyst

D. Submission of Faxed Applications:

Completed application and reporting forms can be faxed to the Division of Criminal Justice at 609-984-2909. Any agency that faxes an application that includes a return fax number will receive a faxed-back acknowledgment. **Please submit your application only once, either by mail or by fax.**

E. Governing Regulations:

Regulations regarding the state Body Armor Replacement Program can be found at N.J. A. C. 13:80A-1. I to 4.2. The regulations are also contained on the Division's Web Page which can be accessed at: <http://www.state.nj.us/lps/dcj/index.htm>. Click on "guidelines" to access the Body Armor Replacement Fund Program.

Application Due Date: All applications, including the reporting form, must be submitted by
August 31, 2001

***Information on the
Federal Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) Program***

1. Contact Point. The Federal government has implemented a Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) program. All agencies are urged to apply for additional funding under this program. The amount of your state Body Armor Replacement grant will not be affected by funding awarded under the federal BVD program. Information on the federal BVP program is listed at the following web site: <http://www.vests.ojp.gov/index.html>.

2. Matching Funds: While New Jersey's body armor program has no matching fund requirement, the federal program requires a 50 percent cash match. New Jersey allows the use of the state body armor funds as match for the federal program. However, agencies should check with both the Federal government and their fiscal office to determine whether there are any restrictions for the use of state funds as match.

Please be advised that the Division of Criminal Justice has no administrative responsibilities with respect to the Federal Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program.