



Questions and Answers

2025 John R. Justice (JRJ) Student Loan Repayment Program

Responses to questions will be posted to this document within 7 calendar days of receipt, through the last Friday before the RFP is closed.

The deadline for receipt of written questions is **Thursday, July 17, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.**

Please submit your questions to mbcc@mt.gov.

Q1: How does this grant interact with eligibility for Federal Public Service Student Loan Forgiveness (PSLF)?

A1: Each Loan Repayment Assistance Programs (LRAPs) has individual guidelines regarding the effect of receiving benefits from other LRAPs (which in some cases include JRJ benefits). Please refer to the Bureau of Justice Assistance frequently asked questions page, [Bureau of Justice Assistance John R. Justice Grant Program Frequently Asked Questions \(Revised December 2020\)](#) page 9 number 37, for an extend view on how the PSLF program interacts with the JRJ program for eligibility.

Q2: If someone is currently a prosecutor that currently has a scholarship or loan repayment program, would they still qualify if they transferred to OPD to become a public defender?

A2: The John R. Justice (JRJ) program is eligible to public defenders or prosecutors, but each Loan Repayment Assistance Program (LRAP) has individual guidelines regarding the effect of receiving benefits from other LRAPs (which in some cases include JRJ benefits). The U.S. Department of Education would be able to provide further information on how receiving JRJ benefits will affect grant awarded amounts through the other scholarships or LRAPs.