

Welcome Webinar

Body-Worn Camera Partnership Program

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Overview

- 1. Introductions**
- 2. BJA's BWC Program and Evolution**
- 3. Principles**
- 4. Training and Technical Assistance (TTA)**
- 5. Resources**



**KICK OFF
MEETING**

Congratulations!



Introductions



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👤 Mr. John Markovic, BJA, Senior Policy Advisor



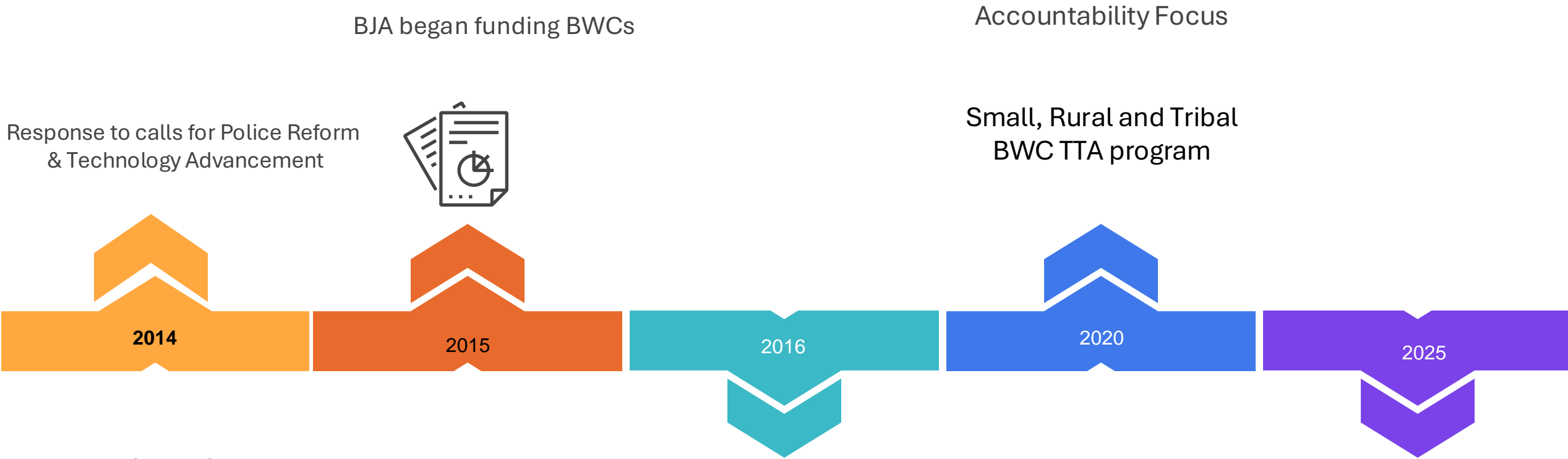
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Moving Organizations Forward



- ▶ JSS has been involved with BWC's since the beginning
 - We work in partnership with BJA and with grantees
- ▶ BWC TTA Program
 - Over 650 grantees (including subgrantees)
 - Digital Evidence Management
 - Prosecution and BWCs
- ▶ SRT BWC TTA Program
 - Small Rural Tribal – 800 micrograntees nation-wide
 - Policy Wizard





BJA began funding BWCs

Accountability Focus

Response to calls for Police Reform & Technology Advancement



Small, Rural and Tribal BWC TTA program

2014

2015

2016

2020

2025

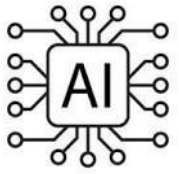
What has happened in a decade of BWC Funding?

Examine how Digital Evidence and Footage Used



Over 1500 agencies funded for BWC

AI and Digital Evidence and Footage Used



State of the BWC Program: *A View from the Top*

- *BWCs cut across the entire Criminal Justice System
- *Issues affecting law enforcement, prosecutors, schools, and corrections (prisons, probation, and parole)



BWC Principles

- Customer Focused
- Ease of Use
- Leverage Technology
- Data-Driven



The Importance of What You are Doing



Category 1: BWC Implementation



Category 2: BWCs: Implementation
in Corrections

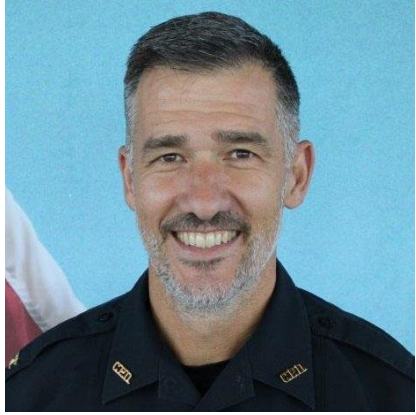


Category 3-5: Demonstration
Projects

Poll: Under which funding Category was your department awarded?

- A) **Category 1:** Site based awards to LE Agencies
- B) **Category 2:** Site-based awards to State Correctional Agencies
- C) **Category 3:** Digital Evidence Management & Integration
- D) **Category 4:** Optimizing BWC Footage in Prosecutors' Offices
- E) **Category 5:** Using BWC Footage for Training & Constitutional Policing





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2025 Training and Technical Assistance Packages



DEM, Artificial Intelligence,
Emerging Technologies, LE Data



Innovations in
Training



Corrections



Role of Prosecution
and Courts




Tribal BWC
Implementations

Special TTA Resource: AI and BWC Topics

- ☆ AI and Police Behavior
- ☆ AI and Training
- ☆ Prosecutors and AI: *What is the Fit?*



A photograph of a desk setup. In the upper left, a portion of a silver laptop is visible, showing the keyboard and trackpad. In the lower left, a pair of black-rimmed glasses lies on a wooden desk. To the right, a clipboard with a silver clip holds a white sheet of paper. The paper has the words "POLICIES AND PROCEDURES" printed in a large, black, sans-serif font, arranged in three lines. The background is a light-colored wooden surface.

POLICIES
AND
PROCEDURES

Poll: Does your department have an official BWC Policy?

- A) Yes!**
- B) We have a draft in the works and we may need assistance from the JSS team.**
- C) No, not yet.**



BWC Policy Review Process

- Applicable for Category 1 and 2
 - *We would like to see policies for Category 3-5 but not required.*
- If you have a policy, please submit it to info@bwcprogram.com
- You can complete the self-certification process but please still send your policy.
- You can also use the Policy Wizard
 - Website link:
<https://www.srtbwc.com/policy-wizard/>



Resources

- Newsletters
- Webinars
- Curated Reports
- Roundtables/Listening Sessions
- Policy approvals
- Videos
- Customized Assistance



Closing Remarks

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