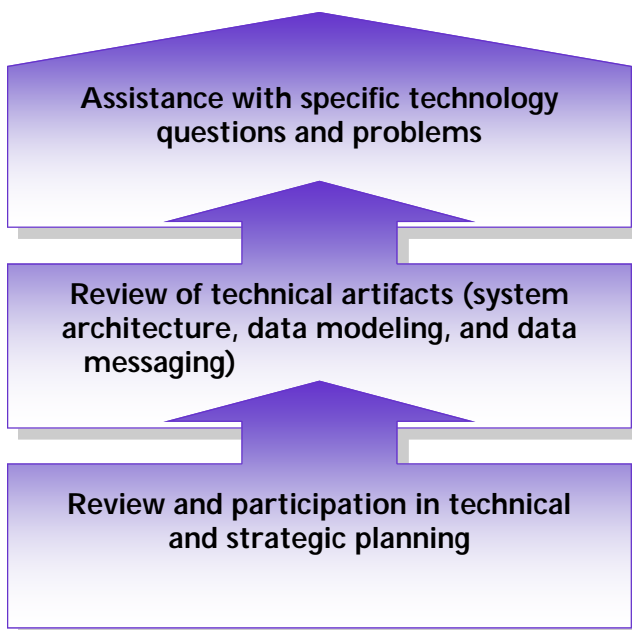


HELPING YOU WITH INFORMATION SHARING

The IJIS Institute has been awarded a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) to provide **Technology Assistance (TA)** to state and local jurisdictions to assist with the planning and implementation of information-sharing projects in the justice and public safety domains. The goal of the grant is to leverage the expertise and experience of private sector information technology firms and provide objective and cost-effective technology recommendations and assistance to decision-makers and project stakeholders.

The TA provided by the IJIS Institute is built on a foundation of reviewing and participating in technical and strategic planning endeavors. A review of the technical artifacts such as system architecture, data modeling, and data messaging documents follows. Finally, the IJIS Institute provides assistance with specific technology questions or problems.



HOW IT WORKS

Although these categories of assistance have distinctive outcomes, the principles and practices of planning a TA engagement and implementing a site visit are similar. The key activity of a TA engagement is a site visit performed by IJIS Institute consultants at the requesting agency's jurisdiction. The site visit allows the IJIS Institute consultants to interact directly with project stakeholders. Site visits are instrumental for the review of the issues and support the subsequent development of a written report that details the IJIS Institute team findings and recommendations.

Planning a TA engagement and implementing a site visit requires collaboration among the IJIS Institute, its member firms, and the requesting agency. Proper planning ensures that the site visit will be conducted in a timely manner and that all project activities requiring assistance will be reviewed.



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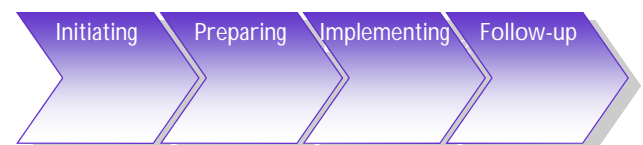
TA PROGRAM SERVICES

Technology Assistance program services include:

- Short-term onsite engagements.
- Conference call support for specific technology problem-solving.
- Company-neutral assistance and assessment from staff representing multiple firms.
- Technology-neutral assistance on technology-related issues and integrated justice and public safety system implementation.
- A written report summarizing the site visit and recommendations to be circulated to the agencies requesting TA, the IJIS Institute membership, and BJA.

Four main phases of a TA engagement:

- **Initiating** a TA project by submitting a formal letter of request to the IJIS Institute.
- **Preparing** for a site visit by drafting a meeting agenda.
- **Implementing** a site visit at the requesting agency's offices.
- **Follow-up** activities such as writing and submitting a formal TA report.



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