

\$3 million in federal funds dedicated to the Connecticut Criminal Justice Information Sharing System

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On April 17th, Connecticut Governor Jodi Rell announced that the state will dedicate \$3 million in federal funds for the **Criminal Justice Information Sharing Solution (CISS)**. The funding is a mix of federal grants and stimulus funds. The system will allow prosecutors and other law enforcement agencies to quickly share the most up-to-date information through a network of records systems.

During the next 3 years, the Division of Criminal Justice will build a modern information technology system that will allow public safety officials to manage their cases electronically and pass information through a network of criminal justice databases. The funds will be used to purchase computer hardware for the entire Division, purchase software for a case management system, training for all users, and consultant services to design the framework of the new system and develop inter-connectivity with existing systems.

This project began over two years ago when the state hired Executive Director, Sean Thakker, to help drive this project in the right direction. Soon after Thakker was hired, the state contracted with MTG Management for consulting work associated with the development of the CISS. On March 31, 2009, the state released a request for information to gather information from vendors on the solutions available. Since the RFI, no formal solicitation has been released. However, GovWin estimates that a formal solicitation could be issued in the near future as the state was waiting on funding before any subsequent steps could be taken. GovWin has been tracking this opportunity since April 2008 [HERE](#).