

Appendix C: Elder Justice Grants

Component	Project Title	Award Number	Grantee	Project Description	Award Amount
NIJ	Elder Abuse Survivor Equity (EASE) Study: National Longitudinal Trajectories and Translation for Practitioners and the Public	15PNIJ-23-GG-02625-MUMU	National Opinion Research Center	The Elder Abuse Survivor Equity (EASE) Study aims to study the experiences of a diverse population of older adults – including representative samples of racial and ethnic groups, sexual and gender minority populations, and geographically diverse populations – in terms of their exposure to elder abuse and polyvictimization, inclusive of in-person and technology-facilitated abuse. This is the first study to shed light on equity considerations of polyvictimization experiences among underrepresented and understudied older adults. EASE has four main objectives: (1) develop instrumentation and research protocols to measure (poly)victimization in later life; (2) test instrument and protocol quality through cognitive interviews with persons with lived experience of elder (poly)victimization and psychometric testing of pilot data from a convenience sample; (3) collect three waves of longitudinal data from a nationally representative sample of adults age 60+; and (4) develop and disseminate action-oriented research products to share results with practitioners and the public (i.e., older adults, family members, and caregivers). The study design and approach will involve an Advisory Board representing eight organizations—UTHealth, AARP, NAPSA, NCALL, NCVC, NNEDV, SAGE, and Stonewall CDC—and voices of Americans ages 60+ with lived experience of abuse to ensure that the survey instrument and dissemination products developed from this research are culturally informed and constructive for a wide range of audiences. First, in-depth interviews will be conducted with elder (poly)victimization survivors to elicit input on the constructs and measures to be included in our longitudinal survey and to discuss methods to maximize study retention for participants who may face challenges independently participating in a longitudinal study. Subsequently, findings from the interviews will be reviewed with the Advisory Board to identify elements to reflect in the instrument. Before launching the survey, we will refine the instrument through cognitive interviews and psychometric testing. Once the instruments are finalized, three waves of data collection will be conducted using the AmeriSpeak Panel, recruiting a sample of adults 60+ and oversampling for historically marginalized communities (i.e., Black, Asian, Hispanic, LGBTQ+, and individuals from rural areas). We will use key findings from each wave of data collection and key informant interviews with organizations identified from an environmental scan to develop products that meet the needs of practitioners, advocates, and the public, drawing upon input from the Advisory Board and survivors.	\$1,499,885
OVC	Building an E-MDT to Serve Older Victims of Abuse and Financial Exploitation	15POVC-23-GG-02403-NONF	County of Fulton	This project will support the Fulton County District Attorney to hire a dedicated E-MDT Coordinator, develop an enhanced multidisciplinary team to meet the goal to better identify and respond to older adults who experience abuse, and enhance communication to inform victims of their rights. The E-MDT will reduce the risk of future abuse, recover stolen assets, and pursue criminal prosecution in appropriate cases. The team of experts will also review cases, identify barriers faced by victims, and share knowledge about problems faced by victims. Activities will include quarterly meetings, elder abuse prevention presentations, and development of public service announcements.	\$375,000
OVC	Kenaitze's Enhanced MDT for Elder Abuse	15POVC-23-GG-02397-TVAG	Kenaitze Indian Tribe	Kenaitze Indian Tribe (Kenaitze) is a Federally recognized tribal government located in the central Kenai Peninsula Borough (KPB) in the state of Alaska. Kenaitze's Tyotkas (Dena'ina word meaning "Auntie's Place") Elders Services department, in collaboration with internal and community partners, will work toward the following Goal: Improve case outcomes for older and vulnerable adults by minimizing additional trauma, restoring safety and security to victims, and holding more offenders accountable for crimes of abuse, neglect, and financial exploitation.	\$375,000

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OVC	Local Elder Abuse Prevention - Los Angeles Enhanced Multidisciplinary Team (LEAP-LA)	15POVC-23-GG-02398-NONF	Northridge Hospital Foundation	The Northridge Hospital Foundation's Center for Healthier Communities (CHC) will expand and enhance its services to better serve victims of elder abuse and financial exploitation. The existing Local Elder Abuse Prevention Enhanced Multidisciplinary Team (LEAP EMDT) serves older adults in all of Los Angeles County after recent expansion of the geographic catchment area. Therefore, LEAP EMDT will be renamed LEAP-Los Angeles program (LEAP-LA). The current EMDT includes a forensic accountant, geriatric neuropsychologist, elder justice attorney, social isolation expert, law enforcement (Los Angeles Police Department), 211 Los Angeles, and local and county organizations serving seniors (Adult Protective Services, Alzheimer's Association California Southland Chapter (ALZ SoCal), WISE & Healthy Aging, and ONEgeneration). This EMDT team reviews cases, coordinates care for victims, provides resources and referrals, and addresses victim's needs using a comprehensive coordinated, victim-centered, and trauma-informed approach. The EMDT will be expanded by adding five individuals from diverse professions, including: substance abuse providers, victim service providers, sexual assault/domestic violence advocates, geriatric health providers, hospital discharge planner/social workers and/or a District Attorney Representative.	\$375,000
OVC	Onslow County E-MDT	15POVC-23-GG-02405-NONF	County of Onslow	The project for Onslow County, NC, will improve collaboration and communication among government, public, and private agencies that are providing services to the elderly and can assist victims of elder abuse. Grant funds will provide a dedicated Enhanced Multidisciplinary Team (E-MDT) Coordinator that will manage the functions of the team, manage data collection, and complete reporting requirements. The activities that are planned for the project include the addition of a neuropsychologist and forensic accountant. The addition of these specific disciplines will enable the E-MDT to assist in prosecuting those who commit elder abuse or exploitation.	\$375,000
OVC	OVC FY 2023 Transforming America's Response to Elder Abuse: Enhanced Multidisciplinary Teams (E-MDTs) for Older Victims of Abuse and Financial Exploitation and T&TA	15POVC-23-GK-02407-NONF	Weill Medical College of Cornell University	Through this project, Weill Medical College of Cornell University will expand its reach and scale its impact nationally to better serve older adults. The project will provide innovative strategies, technologies, and resources to support MDT Coordinators; customize responsive technical assistance for team support; training to meet knowledge gaps; guidance on integrating specialty services, healing centered-care, and embedding equity; and advice on sustainability and long-range funding strategies.	\$750,000
OVC	Pikes Peak Elder Justice Center (PPEJC) E-MDT Enhancement, Expansion and Improvement	15POVC-23-GG-02400-NONF	Pikes Peak Elder Justice Center	The Pikes Peak Elder Justice Center (PPEJC) E-MDT was established out of the recognized need for a coordinated response to addressing mistreatment, exploitation, and neglect of at-risk adults in the Pikes Peak region. The PPEJC will enhance, expand and improve the existing E-MDT. Project objectives include: enhancing direct services for victims of elder abuse and exploitation; expanding PPEJC staff and E-MDT personnel; improving E-MDT operations and outcomes; expanding the service area of the E-MDT to identify and serve more victims/clients; deploying an awareness, education, and outreach campaign; and deterring and preventing elder abuse and exploitation including increasing the number of prosecutions of elder abuse and financial exploitation.	\$375,000

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OVC	St. Louis County, MN, Enhancement of Multidisciplinary Team to Address Elder Abuse and Financial Exploitation	15POVC-23-GG-02402-NONF	Saint Louis County Administration	The St. Louis County, Minnesota, Public Health and Human Service (PHHS) Department provides services in the areas of Adults, Children & Families, Disabilities, Financial Assistance, and Public Health within a large, geographic area containing a diverse range of locales from rural to urban, in addition to two tribal nations. This project will evaluate what support is required to enhance the work of financial exploitation investigations within the elder abuse MDT. The project will provide best-practice recommendations for structural and substantive inclusions of MDT work throughout Minnesota.	\$375,000
OVW	Anoka County Abuse in Later Life Program	15JOVW-23-GK-01387-ALLX	Alexandra House, Inc.	Training and Services to End Abuse in Later Life Program supports a comprehensive approach to addressing abuse in later life, including training/cross-training, coordinated community response, and services, to address domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, neglect, abandonment, economic abuse, or willful harm committed against victims who are 50 years of age or older.	\$400,000
OVW	Training and Services to End Abuse in Later Life in Cobb County	15JOVW-23-GK-01388-ALLX	LiveSafe Resources	Training and Services to End Abuse in Later Life Program supports a comprehensive approach to addressing abuse in later life, including training/cross-training, coordinated community response, and services, to address domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, neglect, abandonment, economic abuse, or willful harm committed against victims who are 50 years of age or older.	\$750,000
OVW	Nez Perce Tribe Later in Life Program	15JOVW-23-GK-01386-ALLX	Nez Perce Tribe	Training and Services to End Abuse in Later Life Program supports a comprehensive approach to addressing abuse in later life, including training/cross-training, coordinated community response, and services, to address domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, neglect, abandonment, economic abuse, or willful harm committed against victims who are 50 years of age or older.	\$330,371
OVW	Abuse in Later Life National Resource Center	15JOVW-23-GK-05142-MUMU	End Domestic Abuse Wisconsin	The resource center will increase the capacity of victim services organizations and justice system entities to recognize and respond effectively to abuse in later life and improve organizations' capacity to design and deliver services effective for the needs of older victims.	\$500,000
OVW	Strategies to Advance Greater Elder Safety 3.0: Pathways Project	15JOVW-23-GK-05465-MUMU	Futures Without Violence	The goal of this project is to create a community of learning and practice among community-based organizations and their partners to build, enhance, or adapt their existing services for older adult survivors of abuse including restorative options and strategies to increase financial sustainability and safety.	\$1,500,000