

RESEARCH AND EVALUATION INITIATIVE



U.S. Department of Justice

OVW

Office on Violence Against Women
Working Together to End the Violence

The Research and Evaluation (R&E) Initiative is designed to study and evaluate approaches to addressing and preventing domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking. By generating more knowledge about strategies for serving victims and holding offenders accountable, communities that benefit from Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) funding will be better equipped to align their work with practices that are known to be effective as well as build their own capacity to evaluate new and promising ways of doing things. The initiative supports researcher-practitioner partnerships and a broad range of rigorous research and evaluation methods, including qualitative, mixed-method, quasi-experimental, and experimental designs.

Eligible Applicants

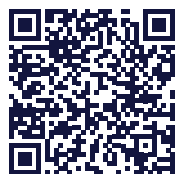
Eligible applicants include institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations, units of local government, Tribal governments and organizations, and state governments.

Projects Recently Funded Through R&E

OVW's R&E Initiative solicitations seek proposals for evaluations of VAWA-funded interventions and emerging innovations in law enforcement, prosecution, courts, victim services, healthcare, schools, faith communities, culturally specific organizations, and other settings. Examples of R&E Initiative projects include:

- A multi-site evaluation of transitional housing programs to examine the safety, self-sufficiency, and health trajectories of domestic violence victims
- A mixed-methods study about perceptions of justice held by victims from underserved and historically marginalized populations, and the alignment (or lack thereof) with practitioners' notions of justice
- A systematic review of the literature and a meta-analysis of experimental and quasi-experimental research examining the effects of college sexual assault prevention programs on sexual assault attitudes and behaviors among college students
- An evaluation of a rape crisis center's economic case management program addressing the economic needs of sexual violence victims (e.g., emergency shelter, victim compensation, public benefits)
- Indigenous-led research to better understand the impacts of sex trafficking on Native American victims and what victims need to heal, and achieve safety and justice
- A mixed-methods study to examine the therapeutic and self-sufficiency benefits of a therapeutic horticulture farm program for residents at a domestic violence shelter

Apply for this Grant



Sign up for OVW grant announcements



When open, this solicitation can be found on OVW's website at:

Justice.gov/OVW/Open-Solicitations

Review previous solicitations for this and other programs at:

Justice.gov/OVW/Closed-Solicitations



Contact us at

OVW.Research@usdoj.gov

or

202-307-6026

*This program is authorized by
34 U.S.C. 12291(b)(7).*



Visit Justice.gov/OVW