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OVERVIEW

On March 15, 2022, President Biden signed into law the Violence Against Women Act Reauthorization Act of 2022 (VAWA 2022).¹ This bipartisan legislation reauthorizes programs and activities under VAWA that aim to prevent and respond to domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking. The reauthorization of VAWA authorizes new programs, strengthens and expands access to safety and support for survivors, and promotes housing and economic stability for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking. VAWA 2022 also includes several sections focused on reducing victimization of Indigenous persons in Indian country, Alaska Native Villages, and Native Hawaiian communities.

The Department of Justice (DOJ or Department) provides this report in fulfillment of Section 1105(b) of VAWA 2022, which requires the Department to: (1) conduct a comprehensive review of and report on federal funding received by Native Hawaiian-serving organizations from relevant federal programs and (2) offer recommendations and legislative proposals to improve how relevant federal programs address the needs of Native Hawaiians, improve the response to, and investigation of, incidents of missing or murdered Native Hawaiians, and reduce criminal justice involvement by Native Hawaiians. Section 1105(b) is excerpted and attached as Appendix A.

The Department’s grantmaking components² administer financial and technical assistance to communities across the country working to prevent and respond to crime and improve support for victims/survivors, including Tribes, Tribal organizations, and Native Hawaiian and other culturally specific communities. Advancing Tribal sovereignty, increasing public safety in Indian country, Alaska Native Villages, and Native Hawaiian communities, and supporting community-driven solutions that respond to the unique history of Hawai‘i are all of great importance to the Department. The Department recognizes the diverse strengths and challenges of the Indigenous communities of the United States, including those in Alaska and Hawai‘i.

The Department is engaged in targeted outreach to Native Hawaiian organizations to increase awareness of available Department grants and facilitate greater access to funding opportunities for these organizations. This effort includes implementing the VAWA Technical Amendment Act of 2022, enacted in December 2022, which broadened eligibility under the Office on Violence

¹ Pub. L. No. 117-103, div. W, 136 Stat. 49, 840-962.

² See Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS Office), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), and Office on Violence Against Women (OVW).

Against Women’s (OVW) Tribal Coalitions Program to include certain Native Hawaiian organizations.³ OVW is working to identify Native Hawaiian organizations, as well as advocates from Native Hawaiian communities, who can potentially form a coalition and apply for Tribal Coalitions Program funding. Included in its FY 2024 grants, OVW recently funded its first-ever training and technical assistance award to support capacity- and coalition-building among victim service organizations, advocates, and allied professionals serving Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking. More information about this opportunity is provided in the next section.

COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW

In order to complete the comprehensive review required by Section 1105(b) of VAWA 2022, the Department reviewed relevant federal programs funded by the Department’s grantmaking components that are awarded on a competitive basis and available to serve specific communities.⁴ A list of the Department’s relevant programs for fiscal year (FY) 2024 is provided in Appendix B to this report.⁵

Data Sources and Availability

Current data. The current available data to identify Office of Justice Programs (OJP) and Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) grant awards to Native Hawaiian-serving organizations is attached as Appendix C.⁶ It includes award recipients that either (1) identified as “Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian Serving Institutions”⁷ as one of three Applicant Types in their grant applications⁸ with manual adjustment to remove Alaska Native institutions (and note that some of the included entities are located outside of Hawai‘i but are culturally specific organizations with a

³ Pub. L. No. 117-315, 136 Stat. 4404.

⁴ This report interprets Section 1105(b) to require the Department to review and report funding provided by relevant programs administered by Department components.

⁵ Appendix B provides a listing of the “relevant federal programs” funded by COPS Office, OJP, and OVW, as delineated in Section 1105(b)(3). Not included in this list is funding provided through formula grant programs or funding provided to law enforcement or other criminal justice agencies to support their operations or that otherwise could not be used to specifically serve Native Hawaiian populations.

⁶ The chart attached as Appendix C only includes awards made by OJP and OVW because a majority of COPS Office awardees are state and local law enforcement agencies, not population-specific organizations, and by statute these awards are focused on geographic areas rather than specific populations within a state or local jurisdiction. Thus, no COPS Office awards appear in Appendix C.

⁷ According to 20 U.S.C. § 1059d(b)(4), “‘Native Hawaiian-serving institution’ means an institution of higher education which (A) is an eligible institution under section 1058(b) of [Title 20 of the United States Code]; and (B) at the time of application, has an enrollment of undergraduate students that is at least 10 percent Native Hawaiian students”. As a result, this data may not include service providers that do not fall into the category of “Native Hawaiian-serving institution.”

⁸ For the comprehensive list of applicant identifiers, see Type of Applicant in the Grants.gov instructions for the Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424): https://apply07.grants.gov/apply/forms/instructions/SF424_4_0-V4.0-Instructions.pdf.

focus on serving Native Hawaiian populations); or (2) have their legal address in Hawai‘i and the project funded has a dedicated focus on serving or addressing the needs of Native Hawaiian persons.

The chart in Appendix C, reflects active awards and includes funding initially awarded during the FY 2016 funding cycle up to the most recent FY 2023 award cycle. The description of activities for each project is included in the attached chart as well as the amount awarded to the grantee and total funding disbursed for the relevant program. Funded projects include services for victims of gender-based violence and human trafficking, culturally specific reentry programming, youth violence prevention, strategies to address substance use and opioids, youth mentoring, and other criminal justice programming designed to benefit Native Hawaiian populations.

In addition to the awards listed in Appendix C, OVW’s FY 2024 Training and Technical Assistance Initiative recently funded the Asian Pacific Institute on Gender Based Violence to provide specialized technical assistance and training to victim service organizations, advocates, and allied professionals serving Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking. This Capacity Building for Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders (Pasifika) Project will establish and maintain a peer-to-peer network and develop resources and training focused on victim services programming, leadership development, cultural responsiveness, language accessibility, and capacity building and sustainability.

Data Limitations

Shared federal service identifiers for applicant types. In an effort to align grant application experience across federal agencies, DOJ (like many federal agencies) uses a standard form in Grants.gov (the SF-424), which includes a pre-determined list of applicant types.⁹ Applicants may select up to three applicant types; one of the available applicant types is “Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian Servicing Institutions.” This applicant type poses two main challenges for data collection: (1) Native Hawaiian is combined with Alaska Native, which therefore makes it difficult to isolate Native Hawaiian-serving applicants from Alaska Native-serving applicants; and (2) applicants may not understand what “institution” means in this context, for example, nonprofit organizations may not consider themselves to be “institutions” for purposes of the SF-424 as that term is associated with “institutions of higher education”. Given these challenges, the data collected regarding applicant types may not be a fully accurate representation of the number of entities serving the Native Hawaiian population that receive funding from DOJ.

Identifying entity applicant types versus the primary focus of a funded project. Generally, grant funding may focus on the needs of a specific population that may or may not be the focus of the applicant entity as a whole. For example, an entity that works with many different Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities may receive grant funding for a project to focus on reaching and meeting the needs of Native Hawaiian individuals. Alternatively,

⁹ See Instructions for the SF-424, Section 9, Item V. [Instructions for the SF424 \(samhsa.gov\)](https://www.samhsa.gov/sf424).

an organization that is based in Hawai‘i and has experience working with the Native Hawaiian community may receive a grant to serve the population of Hawai‘i at large, rather than for a project focused primarily on Native Hawaiian individuals. Currently, identifying whether the specific target population for a grant-funded project is Native Hawaiian (or other underserved populations) or that an organization is population specific¹⁰ and primarily serves Native Hawaiians, is not part of the standard grant application data elements and therefore cannot be accomplished by pulling data from DOJ’s grant management system.

IDENTIFICATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendations to improve data collection on Native Hawaiians. DOJ has proposed to the newly established Council on Federal Financial Assistance (COFFA) an effort to align federal agencies and shared services on entity and applicant type identifiers.

Recommendations to improve how relevant programs address the needs of Native Hawaiians. DOJ will provide technical assistance and support to help build Native Hawaiian-serving organizations’ capacity to apply for and manage DOJ funds. DOJ will also continue to conduct strategic engagement with Native Hawaiian-serving organizations. For example, in 2023 and 2024, OVW conducted several site visits with Native Hawaiian organizations to ensure that Native Hawaiian communities are aware of funding resources and to learn about emerging issues and barriers to accessing federal funding faced by Native Hawaiian-serving organizations. This outreach includes implementing the VAWA Technical Amendment Act of 2022 which broadened eligibility under OVW’s Tribal Coalitions Program to include certain organizations addressing domestic violence and sexual assault against Native Hawaiian women through services to Native Hawaiian communities.¹¹ OVW is working to identify Native Hawaiian organizations, as well as advocates from Native Hawaiian communities, who can potentially form a coalition and apply for Tribal Coalitions Program funding.

In addition, DOJ will continue to ensure that the needs of historically marginalized and underserved communities, such as Native Hawaiians, are considered in the grantmaking process. DOJ currently administers several grant programs that aim to ensure that population-specific organizations, and the communities they serve, have more equitable access to funding and that such funding is better tailored to their needs. In addition, the Department employs several flexible funding models to support organizations at different stages of growth, including by offering planning grants for organizations new to receiving federal funding, capacity-building grants for organizations, implementation grants for established entities, and intermediary funding models that provide subawards and capacity-building technical assistance to smaller, community-based organizations.

¹⁰ A “‘population specific organization’ means a nonprofit, nongovernmental organization that primarily serves members of a specific underserved population and has demonstrated experience and expertise providing targeted services to members of that specific underserved population.” See 34 U.S.C. § 12291(a)(26).

¹¹ See Pub. L. No. 117-315, 136 Stat. 4404.

DOJ will also continue to simplify its grantmaking application process by enhancing application assistance support, eliminating unnecessary application requirements, increasing the use of plain language in solicitations, and offering webinars to potential applicants to walk through the grant programs and their specific application requirements. Finally, DOJ will continue to engage in outreach efforts to promote its programs to the State of Hawai‘i and to Native Hawaiian-serving organizations.

Recommendations to improve responses to and investigation of incidents of missing or murdered Native Hawaiians. DOJ grant programs provide funding designed to foster improved responses to and investigation of many of the crimes that can lead to the disappearance or murder of Native Hawaiian and other disproportionately affected populations. These crimes include domestic violence, stalking, human trafficking, sex trafficking, and child sexual abuse, among others. DOJ intends that the outreach efforts described above will result in more grant funding reaching and meeting the needs of Native Hawaiian communities, including supporting coordinated community responses to missing or murdered Native Hawaiians.

Recommendations to reduce the likelihood that a Native Hawaiian may become involved in the criminal justice system. OJP has identified select FY 2024 programs that address crimes or criminal justice system issues that disproportionately impact Native Hawaiians. In these programs, where possible and appropriate (due to statutory requirements), OJP has added language to encourage Native Hawaiian-serving organizations to apply for the relevant funding opportunities.

APPENDIX A

Violence Against Women Act Reauthorization Act of 2022, Pub. L. No. 117-103, div. W Section 1105(b) Review of Relevant Federal Crime Prevention, Victim Service, and Criminal Justice Programs Serving Native Hawaiians.—

- (1) **REPORT.**—Not later than 18 months after the date of enactment of this Act, the Attorney General shall submit a report to Congress containing the following:
- (A) The results and findings of the comprehensive review required to be conducted under paragraph (2).
 - (B) The amount of Federal funding received by Native Hawaiian-serving organizations from relevant Federal programs, including the percentage of each such amount of funding received by Native Hawaiian-serving organizations relative to the total amount of funding dispersed for each relevant Federal program.
 - (C) Recommendations and legislative proposals to—
 - (i) improve how relevant Federal programs address the needs of Native Hawaiians;
 - (ii) improve responses to and investigation of incidences of missing or murdered Native Hawaiians;
 - (iii) reduce the likelihood that a Native Hawaiian may become involved in the criminal justice system; and
 - (iv) address any other relevant matters deemed necessary by the Attorney General.
- (2) **COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW.**—The Attorney General shall conduct a comprehensive review of relevant Federal programs.
- (3) **RELEVANT FEDERAL PROGRAM.**—In this subsection, the term “relevant Federal program” means any—
- (A) law enforcement or other crime prevention program targeting criminal offenses that affect Native Hawaiians, including child sexual exploitation, child abuse, intimate partner violence, human trafficking, missing or murdered individuals, and substance abuse;
 - (B) any program that provide services to victims of criminal offenses affecting Native Hawaiians, including child sexual exploitation, child abuse, intimate partner violence, human trafficking, and substance abuse; and
 - (C) any criminal justice system program or service available to and used by Native Hawaiians in various jurisdictions, including diversion programs, in-prison education programs, and reentry services.

APPENDIX B

Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 competitive discretionary law enforcement, crime prevention,
and victim service programs
that target criminal offenses that affect Native Hawaiians

from

the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services,
the Office of Justice Programs, and the
Office on Violence Against Women

COPS Office FY 2024 Program Information

Substance Abuse

- COPS FY24 Anti-Heroin Task Force (AHTF) Program
- COPS FY24 COPS Anti-Methamphetamine Program (CAMP)

OJP FY 2024 Program Information

Child Sexual Exploitation/Child Abuse

- OJJDP FY24 Child Abuse Training for Judicial and Court Personnel
- OJJDP FY24 Child Victimization Prosecution Project
- OJJDP FY24 Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) Membership and Accreditation Program and Training and Technical Assistance
- OJJDP FY24 Victims of Child Abuse Children's Advocacy Centers National Subgrants Program
- OJJDP FY24 Victims of Child Abuse Support for Children's Advocacy Centers Membership and Accreditation Program
- OJJDP FY24 Post-Secondary Education Opportunities for Child Protection Professionals
- OJJDP FY24 Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Demonstration Program: Implementing the Juvenile Facility Standards
- OJJDP FY24 Strengthening ICAC Technological Investigative Capacity

Intimate Partner Violence

- OVC FY24 Addressing the Basic Needs of Crime Survivors in Underserved Communities
- OVC FY24 Expanding Access to Sexual Assault Forensic Examinations
- OVC FY24 Trauma Recovery Center Demonstration Project

Diversion Programs

- OJJDP FY24 Adolescent Diversion Program
- OJJDP FY24 Building Local Continuums of Care to Support Youth Success
- OJJDP FY24 Juvenile Justice System Reform and Reinvestment Initiative
- OJJDP FY24 Title II Formula Grants Program

Human Trafficking

- OVC FY 2024 Training and Technical Assistance for Anti-Trafficking Service Providers
- OVC FY24 Anti-Trafficking Housing Assistance Program
- OVC FY24 Enhanced Collaborative Model (ECM) Task Force to Combat Human Trafficking
- OVC FY24 Human Trafficking Fellowship Program
- OVC FY24 Improving Outcomes for Child and Youth Victims of Human Trafficking
- OVC FY24 Integrated Services for Minor Victims of Human Trafficking
- OVC FY24 Preventing Trafficking of Girls
- OVC FY24 Services for Victims of Human Trafficking

Missing or Murdered Individuals

- BJA FY24 Missing and Unidentified Human Remains (MUHR) Program

Reentry Services

- BJA FY24 Community Supervision Strategies
- BJA FY24 Improving Adult and Youth Crisis Stabilization and Community Reentry Program
- BJA FY24 Second Chance Act Community-based Reentry Incubator Initiative
- BJA FY24 Second Chance Act Community-based Reentry Program
- BJA FY24 Second Chance Act Improving Adult Reentry Education and Employment Outcomes
- BJA FY24 Second Chance Act Pay for Success Program
- BJA FY24 Second Chance Act Smart Supervision Program
- BJA FY24 Smart Reentry: Housing Demonstration Project
- OJJDP FY24 Second Chance Act Youth Reentry Program

Substance Abuse

- BJA FY24 Adult Treatment Court Program
- BJA FY24 Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant and Substance Use Program Overdose Fatality Review Training and Technical Assistance
- BJA FY24 Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use Site-based Program
- BJA FY24 Harold Rogers Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP)
- BJA FY24 Improving Substance Use Disorder Treatment and Recovery Outcomes for Adults in Reentry
- BJA FY24 Residential Substance Abuse Treatment (RSAT) for State Prisoners Program
- BJA FY24 Treating Individuals with Co-Occurring Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders
- COPS FY24 Anti-Heroin Task Force (AHTF) Program
- COPS FY24 COPS Anti-Methamphetamine Program (CAMP)
- OJJDP FY24 Juvenile Drug Treatment Court Program
- OJJDP FY24 Mentoring for Youth Affected by Opioid and Other Substance Misuse
- OJJDP FY24 Opioid Affected Youth Initiative

OVW FY 2024 Program Information

Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking

- Grants to Enhance Culturally Specific Services for Victims of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault and Stalking Program
- Sexual Assault Services Culturally Specific Program
- Transitional Housing Assistance Grants for Victims of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault and Stalking Program
- Legal Assistance for Victims Grant Program
- Legal Assistance for Victims Grant Program Expanding Legal Services Initiative
- Rural Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Program

- Grants to Prevent and Respond to Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Sex Trafficking Against Children and Youth Program
- Grants to Engage Men and Boys as Allies in the Prevention of Violence Against Women and Girls Program
- Training and Services to End Abuse in Later Life Program
- Training and Technical Assistance Initiative
- Research and Evaluation Initiative
- Demonstration Program on Trauma-Informed, Victim-Centered Training for Law Enforcement on Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking (Abby Honold) Program
- Grants to Reduce Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking on Campus Program
- Strengthening Culturally Specific Campuses' Approaches to Address Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Initiative
- Justice for Families Program
- Restorative Practices Pilot Sites Program
- Training and Services to End Violence and Abuse Against Individuals with Disabilities and Deaf People Program
- Grants to Improve the Criminal Justice Response to Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Program
- Enhancing Investigation and Prosecution of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Initiative

APPENDIX C

Fiscal Years (FY) 2016 to 2023 funding
provided to Native Hawaiian-serving
organizations or to programming that primarily
focuses on serving or addressing the needs of
Native Hawaiians

from

the Office of Justice Programs and the
Office on Violence Against Women

Fiscal Year	Managing Office	Program Office	Solicitation Title	Legal Name	UEI	City	State	Applicant Type	Applicant Type2	Award Number	Project Start Date	Project End Date	Project Title	Project Description	Total Award Amount	Total Program Award Amount
2023	OJP	BJA	BJA FY 23 Second Chance Act Pay for Success Program	KAUAI, COUNTY OF	HTMSM8IK94 Q5	LIHUE	HI	B: County Government		15PBIA-23-GG-00917-PFSD	10/1/2023	3/31/2028	E Ho'i'i Ka Piko (Returning to the Center)	<p>The County of Kaua'i Office of the Prosecuting Attorney, through their Life's Choices program proposes to implement a robust reentry program, entitled E Ho'i'i Ka Piko, roughly translated from the Hawaiian language meaning "a return to center." The purpose is to expand the already existing Go Pack! Program, hire a full-time staff member to work solely on coordinating reentry services, and establish office space for the program outside the Prosecuting Attorney's Office. The current Go Pack! Program provides resources to inmates upon release including assistance with obtaining government identification, a resource list, two doses of Naloxone and a monthly bus pass. Having a full-time position to assist with reentry would expand the services and resources offered as well as establish more robust connections with community partners. Having the office space outside the Prosecutor's Office would allow for continued support in a less intimidating environment and the establishment of actual office space. The projected outcome is a reduction in recidivism and a meaningful connection to home and community for participants (E Ho'i'i Ka Piko). The service area would be the County of Kauai with the recipients being anyone released from the County of Kaua'i's only correctional facility—the Kaua'i Community Correctional Center—who are in need of support.</p> <p>Priority consideration under (1)(A) is sought because this project will serve historically underserved and marginalized communities. The latest demographic data from KCCC indicates a large percentage of minorities, most notably Native Hawaiians. The program will incorporate Native Hawaiian values and will incorporate the input and participation of historically underserved communities through our community partnerships. (Pages 3-4)</p>	\$1,000,000	\$5,000,000.00
2023	OJP	BJA	BJA FY 23 Second Chance Act Improving Reentry Education and Employment Outcomes	UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII	NSCKLFSSABF2	HONOLULU	HI	V: Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian Serving Institutions	H: Public/State Controlled Institution of Higher Education	15PBIA-23-GG-02735-SCAX	10/1/2023	9/30/2026	Puuhonua Hoala Hou: Awakening in Our Path	<p>Windward Community College (WCC) seeks to decrease recidivism through improvement of educational programming at least three incarcerated facilities on the island of O'ahu, including expansion of second chance Pell award implementation and enhancement of re-entry educational services throughout the state of Hawai'i. This project builds on a strong foundation of seven years of collaboration between WCC and the Hawai'i Department of Public Safety to implement credit bearing education in three incarcerated institutions. It expands current efforts through full implementation of mandated Pell program and development of procedures, policies, and trainings on financial aid pre- and post-release, as well as the development of a career assessment and guidance curriculum for incarcerated college counselors and the formation of a statewide network of academic and career counselors at the community colleges serving incarcerated students post-release throughout the state.</p> <p>The project serves incarcerated adult men, adult women, and youth in at least three facilities on O'ahu. A special emphasis is placed on serving Native Hawaiians, who are disproportionately represented in the carceral system. This is done through intentional programming providing the AA Hawaiian Studies at one carceral institution and Hawaiian Studies classes for electives at the other facilities. The college serving as lead institution enrolls the highest percentage of Native Hawaiians in the University of Hawai'i system, includes Native Hawaiians in their mission statement and is a designated Native Hawaiian serving institution. It already has more than parity for Native Hawaiians both in overall and incarcerated student populations and has been commended by its accrediting body for preserving, celebrating, and embracing NH culture and strong student focus and support for NH students. The chancellor/PI is guided by the Native Hawaiian advisory board for WCC. Through this programming, mission and guidance, the applicant fulfills Priority Consideration 1A (p.13-15 in the narrative).</p> <p>Outcomes targeted include enrollment in credit-bearing college courses (i.e., at least 360 total over the life of the grant), enrollment of Native Hawaiian students at/above parity with incarcerated system rates (39%), higher education degree and certificate completion (at least 30 by year 3), reduced recidivism rates for program participants (goal 10%) and decreased overall institutional recidivism by 5% per year for three years.</p>	\$900,000	\$23,030,094
2022	OJP	OJJDP	OJJDP FY 2022 Invited to Apply — Byrne Discretionary Community Project Funding/Byrne Discretionary Grants Program	KINAI EHA	XAWJW73FQF V6	KAILUA	HI	M: Nonprofit with 501C3 IRS Status (Other than Institution of Higher Education)		15PJDP-22-GG-00549-BRND	3/15/2022	12/31/2023	Kawailoa Youth and Family Wellness Center	<p>This project will implement a collaborative program model embedded in Native Hawaiian culture, values, and methodologies. And increase access to and participation of KYFWC partners and their staff in cultural and professional training and development to support youth in their healing process to understand, develop and mediate their trauma by developing pathways to gainful employment, education, and self-development that will reduce recidivism, and interrupt the pathway to incarceration.</p>	\$1,500,000	\$8,900,000

2022	OJP	OJJD	OJJD FY 2022 Supporting Vulnerable At-Risk Youth and Youth Transitioning Out of Foster Care	RESIDENTIAL YOUTH SERVICES & EMPOWERMENT	PNNWNAJMM6 YD8	HONOLULU	HI	M: Nonprofit with 501C3 IRS Status (Other than Institution of Higher Education)		15PJDP-22-GG-04982-PROT	10/1/2022	9/30/2025	Hale Apuakea (Hawaiian for place of refuge, sanctuary, asylum, place of peace and safety)	<p>Project Purpose: Residential Youth Services and Empowerment (RYSE), a 501(c)3, proposes to develop the Hale Apuakea Program as a replicable treatment model, offering specialized culturally inclusive, trauma-informed housing navigation, life skill, behavioral health, and economic development services within RYSE's short-term residential array to increase stability, safety, and protective factors, promoting racial equity, for 90 vulnerable and at-risk youth up to age 25.</p> <p>RYSE seeks Priority Consideration 1A and 3.</p> <p>Primary Activities: Provide trauma-informed housing stabilization and supportive services for 90 at-risk youth throughout the grant period to improve stability and independence. Provide access to behavioral health focused supportive services for 80 at-risk youth in the grant term to support recovery and resiliency. Provide access to educational and employment services for 80 at-risk youth in the grant term to increase self-sufficiency. Identify barriers and increase access to services through monthly focus groups with youth who identify as Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander and/or another underserved population. (Priority 1(A)) Demonstrate program model effectiveness, emphasizing racial equity, through rigorous evaluation activities resulting in an implementation model for national program replication. (Priority 3)</p> <p>Expected Outcomes: 83% of youth have increased life skills to promote positive outcomes. 90% of youth report increased stability after six months of services. 75% of youth exit RYSE residential placements to safe, stable housing. 100% of program participants who exit to permanent housing maintain housing at six months. 100% of youth who receive 6 or more behavioral health services (BHS) have improved connections and support networks in one or more domains. At least 80% of those who received 12 or more units of BHS will demonstrate progress meeting their recovery or rehabilitation goals. At least 80% of those who receive education or employment services will demonstrate progress in meeting their self-sufficiency goals. 100% of youth report services were culturally responsive. Youth outcomes achieved are consistent across all subpopulations by the end of Year 3 of funding, as demonstrated by disaggregated data.</p> <p>Service Area: The island of O'ahu, Hawai'i.</p> <p>Project Beneficiaries: At-risk youth and young adults who have experienced a history of foster care involvement, child poverty, child abuse or neglect, human trafficking, juvenile justice involvement, substance use or misuse, and/or gang involvement up to age 25, emphasizing those who are Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander or identify as Black, Indigenous, or a Persons of Color (BIPOC).</p> <p>Subrecipients: None</p>	\$600,000	\$4,426,909
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2023	OJP	OJJD	OJJD FY 2023 Mentoring for Youth Affected by Opioid and Other Substance Misuse	ULTIMATE HAWAIIAN TRAIL RUN FOUNDATION INC.	U4EFPRE1848 9	LAWAI	HI	M: Nonprofit with 501C3 IRS Status (Other than Institution of Higher Education)		15PJDP-23-GG-01332-MENT	10/1/2023	9/30/2026	Early Intervention Camp Program (KSEIP) mentorship program for 12-18 year old youth to provide mentoring, guidance, and substance abuse counseling.	<p>The Keala Foundation proposes to implement The Keala to Success: Early Intervention Camp Program. The purpose is to mentor the 12- to 18-year-old Native Hawaiian and other Pacific Islander high-risk demographic youth on the island of Kauai, Hawaii. Project activities include establishing and maintaining an interdisciplinary mentorship team; referral, recruitment, and intake of qualified youth; implementing the 10-day intensive overnight residential mentorship camp experience and the 6-week follow-up maintenance and mentorship program; individual, group, and family unit accountability coordination; reintroduction to physical activity; and implementation of prevention maintenance programs.</p> <p>Expected outcomes include expand and fund the existing mentoring program to provide high-quality services to youth that reduce substance misuse, delinquency, or other problem behaviors; develop an eight-week substance use early intervention camp, which will provide mentoring services tailored to the needs of at-risk youth ages 12-18 each year who are currently using or have used opioids, youth at high risk for using opioids, and youth with family members who are currently using or have used opioids; 40 mentorship matches in a 3:1 youth to mentor ratio will have been created at the end of the 36-month grant period; reduction of substance use among 90 percent of participants; positive and improved relations between mentor and youth; increased youth access to physical fitness and mental well-being prevention programs; and promote racial equity and the removal of barriers to access and opportunity for Kauai communities that have been historically underserved, marginalized, and adversely affected by inequality. High-risk youth ages 12-18, Native Hawaiians and other Pacific Islanders are the intended beneficiaries of the project.</p>	\$567,627	\$16,500,000
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2023	OJP	OJJD	OJJD FY 2023 Second Chance Act Addressing the Needs of Incarcerated Parents and Their Minor Children	KEIKI 'O KA 'AINA PRESCHOOL, INC.	NMJH5B3F58 5	HONOLULU	HI	M: Nonprofit with 501C3 IRS Status (Other than Institution of Higher Education)	V: Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian Serving Institutions	15PJDP-23-GG-02659-COIP	10/1/2023	9/30/2026	AFAI - Supporting Families Affected by Incarceration	<p>Keiki O Ka 'Aina Preschool Inc. (KOKA) is proposing to implement a family strengthening project aimed at strengthening relationships between incarcerated Native Hawaiian (NH) parents and NH parents transitioning out of prison to their children, families, and communities titled, Supporting Parents and Families Training (SPAFT). In collaboration with adult correctional facilities in the State of Hawaii, SPAFT will implement culturally appropriate, trauma-informed care through the use of a menu of evidence-based services that can be customized to address the unique needs of each parent participant while connecting them to their culture, family, and community. Throughout the 3-year project period, KOKA will serve 100 incarcerated parent participants and 200 children. KOKA's SPAFT Project embraces individual change within a collective context and an expansive notion of rehabilitation. The project will leverage KOKA's extensive experience in NH family strengthening programs for incarcerated parents and embrace the notion that individual and collective work is about healing yourself, healing your relationships, and understanding yourself within a cultural framework and community; that is the path to avoid further incarceration and ultimately strengthen relationships between parents and their children. Through these efforts, KOKA will promote racial equity and remove barriers that NHs, a historically underserved marginalized community, face in the justice system.</p>	\$694,936	\$4,474,684
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2023	OJP	OJJD	OJJD FY 2023 Enhancing School Capacity To Address Youth Violence	ADULT FRIENDS FOR YOUTH	GF5SU6EVAY 6	HONOLULU	HI	M: Nonprofit with 501C3 IRS Status (Other than Institution of Higher Education)		15PJDP-23-GK-04198-STOP	10/1/2023	9/30/2026	Empowering Schools: AFY's Approach to Address Youth Violence	<p>Adult Friends for Youth (AFY) is proposing the Empowering Schools: AFY's Approach to Address Youth Violence project. The purpose is to bring about systemic change that addresses youth violence and creates a safer environment at Keelikolani Middle School and its surrounding community. The project will also help to reduce truancy and academic failure that plague this specific community. This project will target youth who come from disadvantaged neighborhoods where violence, crime, and drugs are a normal part of everyday life. The majority of youth that AFY serves come from historically marginalized populations which include the following ethnicities: Micronesian/Chuukese, Native Hawaiian, Other Pacific Islander, and Asian/Filipino. This project will serve a population and community that is predominantly Micronesian/Chuukese. While project deliverables will specifically address the needs of Keelikolani Middle School, AFY will provide ancillary services to the elementary and high school that are feeders to Keelikolani to maximize project impact over time. Project stakeholders, including youth and family members, will collaborate to find the program(s) that provide services which best fit their individual needs, providing them with a diverse "backpack" of services that takes the "whole" individual into account. Key steps involved in project execution: 1) Plan and Build, 2) Assessment, 3) Evaluation, 4) Adjustments/Improvements, and 5) Sustainment. Primary activities include: 1) Referrals, 2) Youth/family outreach and engagement, 3) Orientation, 4) Assessment, 5) Individual Service Plan, 6) Monitoring, and 7) Data Analysis.</p>	\$1,000,000	\$24,904,300
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2022	OJP	OJDP	OJDP FY 2022 Youth Violence Prevention Program	CHILD & FAMILY SERVICE	MH8EEKZSZM V4	EWABEACH	HI	M: Nonprofit with 501C3 IRS Status (Other than Institution of Higher Education)		15PJDP-22-GG-0	10/1/2022	9/30/2025	Ike Loa Project: to seek knowledge and wisdom to foster growth	<p>Child & Family Service (CFS) has been dedicated to its mission of "Strengthening families and fostering the healthy development of children" in Hawaii since 1899 and on Kauai since 1982. CFS' experience makes us the community leader in unifying current resources and developing new violence prevention services for youth, families, and the community. CFS will enhance programming to prevent youth violence with a priority with Kauai youth ages 11-17. This violence prevention program is called the 'Ike Loa Project,' translated to mean "a value in learning knowledge, growth, and expansion" in Hawaiian. This captures the program enhancements that have been lacking in youth programs on Kauai, inspiring growth by providing training to service providers working with youth and providing classes to youth to initiate a culture of "Aloha" (love for self and others) and "Kuleana" (responsibility for all that we do). Following evidenced-based strategies in effective violence prevention programs, CFS proposes to provide the following:</p> <p>Training opportunities for our community partners that work with youth such as schools, law enforcement, and youth programs. Training includes identifying behaviors and circumstances that put youth at greater risk for violence, increasing the protective factors of the youth, understanding the impact of Adverse Childhood Experiences ACE(s), and learning trauma-informed strategies with youth. Through this training, community partners will confidently identify vulnerable youth and provide the appropriate support.</p> <p>Learning opportunities for youth through age-appropriate violence prevention classes. Utilizing trauma-informed care processes, staff will provide fun and interactive lessons. Hence, youth can learn about themselves to build a stronger sense of self-worth, identify strategies to build healthy relationships, learn coping skills and safe ways to express emotions, and create safety plans as necessary.</p> <p>These services allow staff and community partners to identify youth at risk for violence. Once identified, staff will be able to collaborate with parents and service providers to work towards getting youth support services and treatment. Thus, preventing violence with our youth. The expected outcomes for the Ike Loa Project include:</p> <p>85% of youth will report increased knowledge and skill in violence prevention strategies 80% of youth will develop a violence prevention plan 90% of youth identified at risk will be provided information and referral for services 90% of community partners will report increased knowledge and skill in violence prevention interventions with youth</p>	\$250,000	\$1,000,000
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2021	OJP	OVC	OVC FY 2021 Preventing Trafficking of Girls	HOOLA NA PUA	EEL2E4J22A24	HONOLULU	HI	M: Nonprofit with 501C3 IRS Status (Other than Institution of Higher Education)		15POVC-21-GG-	10/1/2021	9/30/2024	Huaikai Mana "Journey toward Power"	<p>The Hū'aka'i Mana project (meaning Journey toward Power) will build on existing prevention and early intervention programs to prevent and reduce the victimization of girls who are vulnerable to sex trafficking. Over 36-months, Ho'ola Nā Pua (HNP) will target girls ages 18 and below at risk of, or who are victims of, sex trafficking on O'ahu and Hawai'i Island to accomplish the following major objectives: 1) Increase identification and screening for girls under age 18 at risk of, or who are victims of sex trafficking; 2) Conduct outreach through direct contact with girls under age 18 who are potential victims of trafficking and at-risk vulnerable girls by providing clinical group services ; 3) Provide 1-to-1 mentoring services to increase resilience and empower girls under age 18 who are at-high risk or have been trafficked; and 4) Provide psychoeducational and supportive group therapy for caregivers of girls under age 18 who are victims of domestic sex trafficking. HNP will provide trauma-informed, resilience focused clinical group programming specific to commercial sexual exploitation of children (CSEC) as part of Hōkū Group Services at youth care facilities, correctional facilities, and shelters on O'ahu and Hawai'i Island that work with girls under 18. Hū'aka'i Mana will increase and broaden HNP's ability to provide 1-to-1 mentoring through the Starfish Mentoring Program to assist victims in the transition to a healthier more fulfilled lifestyle. HNP will offer Family Support Group sessions for caregivers, with services expanded to Hawai'i Island in Year 2. HNP will provide training to intake staff to increase identification and screening for victims of trafficking at organizations and systems they are most likely to access, including shelters, juvenile correctional facilities, and homeless drop in outreach centers. HNP will also attend monthly multi-disciplinary team (MDT) meetings to ensure trafficking prevention remains a top priority for at-risk youth. By providing outreach services and training in facilities and communities throughout O'ahu and Hawai'i Island, there will be increased likelihood that victims will be properly identified, reducing barriers, and enhancing engagement for these victims in supportive and intervention services.</p>	\$437,910	\$4,470,519
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2023	OJP	OVC	OVC FY 2023 Integrated Services for Minor Victims of Human Trafficking	HOOLA NA PUA	EEL2E4J22A24	HONOLULU	HI	M: Nonprofit with 501C3 IRS Status (Other than Institution of Higher Education)		15POVC-23-GG-	10/1/2023	9/30/2026	Nacre Resiliency Project	<p>The Nacre Resiliency Project will propose to build on accomplishments of the OVC FY 2021 grant to strengthen the continuum of care by providing trauma-informed, gender responsive and culturally relevant services to minor victims of sex and/or labor trafficking ages 11-17, with focus on two of Hawaii's main islands: Oahu and Hawaii Island. Much like the resilient protective layer (nacre) that forms during initial stages of pearl creation, the Nacre Resiliency Project will provide layers of support that build resilience through weekly 2-4-hour Starfish Mentoring. These services will include: 1) intensive individualized therapeutic care in tandem with onsite schooling; 2) Starfish Mentoring; 3) trafficking prevention to prevent revictimization; and 4) experiential programming to unlock the child's ability to work through trauma, augmenting traditional trauma treatment. Over 36-months, Ho'ola Na Pua (HNP) will address gaps in services for this victimized population by accomplishing the following objectives by the end of each project period: 1) Match 25 minor victims of sex and/or labor trafficking ages 11-17 on Oahu and/or Hawaii Island with a trained and vetted mentor for 1-to-1 mentoring services through Starfish Mentoring. 2) Deliver 775 mentorship service hours on Oahu and/or Hawaii Island. 3) Connect minor trafficking victims with a survivor advocate through the Advocacy Program to continue pathways to healing. 4) Provide 35 minor victims of sex and/or labor trafficking with intensive residential therapy, onsite education, and experiential programming through Pearl Haven. 5) 100% of Pearl Haven residential youth will enroll in onsite education at Pearl Haven. 6) 50% of Pearl Haven residential youth will receive A-B Honor Roll status in core subjects. 7) An average of 50% of Pearl Haven residential youth will improve trauma symptoms. 8) Pearl Haven residential youth will experience an average 32% improvement in depression. 9) Pearl Haven residential youth will experience a 20% improvement in anxiety. 10): 70% of Pearl Haven residential youth will indicate feelings of safety.</p>	\$950,000	\$11,908,321
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2016	OVW	OVW	OVW FY 2016 Technical Assistance Initiative	ASIAN PACIFIC INSTITUTE ON GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE	RGW6SEDWMT98	OAKLAND	CA	M: Nonprofit with 501C3 IRS Status (Other than Institution of Higher Education)		2016-TA-AX-K01	10/1/2016	9/30/2024	Building Capacity To Serve Asians and Pacific Islanders	<p>The Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) Training and Technical Assistance Initiative provides OVW grantees and subgrantees with the expertise and support they need to develop and implement successful state, local, tribal, and campus projects; increase victim safety; and bolster offender accountability. Through cooperative agreements, OVW supports educational initiatives, conferences, peer-to-peer consultations, and targeted assistance that allow its grantees to learn from experts and one another about how to overcome obstacles and incorporate promising practices in their efforts to address violence against women. In addition, OVW is focused on building the capacity of criminal justice and victim services organizations to respond effectively to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking and to foster partnerships between organizations that have not traditionally worked together to address violence against women, such as faith- and community- based organizations.</p> <p>The Asian Pacific Institute on Gender-Based Violence (API-GBV) is a national resource center and clearinghouse on gender violence in Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities. Its goals are to strengthen advocacy, promote community organizing, and influence systems change.</p> <p>With this cooperative agreement, the API-GBV will: 1) participate in the development and implementation of technical assistance (TA) and training events for OVW grantees including new grantee orientations, conferences and webinars; 2) create peer support and learning among a cohort of grantees serving diverse population groups to increase knowledge about the dynamics and trends of domestic violence within different API ethnic groups and strengthen the ability of programs to deliver culturally meaningful services for Asian and Pacific Islander survivors; 3) assist programs in recognizing the needs of victims with limited English proficiency (LEP); 4) collaborate with other OVW TA providers as needed to address the needs of Asian, Pacific Islander and other underserved survivors of domestic and sexual violence; and 5) assist OVW grantees with establishing language access plans.</p> <p>The timing for performance of this award is 24 months.</p> <p>CA/NCF</p>	\$1,327,000	\$37,938,222
2021	OJP	OVC	OVC FY 2021 Preventing Trafficking of Girls	HOOLA NA PUA	EEL2E4J22A24	HONOLULU	HI	M: Nonprofit with 501C3 IRS Status (Other than Institution of Higher Education)		15POVC-21-GG-02838-GIRL	10/1/2021	9/30/2024	Huakai Mana "Journey toward Power"	<p>The Hū'aka'i Mana project (meaning Journey toward Power) will build on existing prevention and early intervention programs to prevent and reduce the victimization of girls who are vulnerable to sex trafficking. Over 36-months, Ho'ōla Nā Pua (HNP) will target girls ages 18 and below at risk of, or who are victims of, sex trafficking on O'ahu and Hawai'i Island to accomplish the following major objectives: 1) Increase identification and screening for girls under age 18 at risk of, or who are victims of sex trafficking; 2) Conduct outreach through direct contact with girls under age 18 who are potential victims of trafficking and at-risk vulnerable girls by providing clinical group services ; 3) Provide 1-to-1 mentoring services to increase resilience and empower girls under age 18 who are at-high risk or have been trafficked; and 4) Provide psychoeducational and supportive group therapy for caregivers of girls under age 18 who are victims of domestic sex trafficking. HNP will provide trauma-informed, resilience focused clinical group programming specific to commercial sexual exploitation of children (CSEC) as part of Hōkū Group Services at youth care facilities, correctional facilities, and shelters on O'ahu and Hawai'i Island that work with girls under 18. Hū'aka'i Mana will increase and broaden HNP's ability to provide 1-to-1 mentoring through the Starfish Mentoring Program to assist victims in the transition to a healthier more fulfilled lifestyle. HNP will offer Family Support Group sessions for caregivers, with services expanded to Hawai'i Island in Year 2. HNP will provide training to intake staff to increase identification and screening for victims of trafficking at organizations and systems they are most likely to access, including shelters, juvenile correctional facilities, and homeless drop in outreach centers. HNP will also attend monthly multi-disciplinary team (MDT) meetings to ensure trafficking prevention remains a top priority for at-risk youth. By providing outreach services and training in facilities and communities throughout O'ahu and Hawai'i Island, there will be increased likelihood that victims will be properly identified, reducing barriers, and enhancing engagement for these victims in supportive and intervention services.</p>	\$437,910	\$1,813,731