

Office on Violence Against Women: FY 2026 Grants to Improve the Criminal Justice Response to Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual assault, and Stalking Program (ICJR Program)

Grants.gov Funding Opportunity Number: O-OVW-2026-172633

Application Deadlines in Eastern Time (ET):

- 1: Complete SF-424 and Submit in Grants.gov: **August 18, 2026, by 11:59 p.m. ET**
 - 2: Submit full application in JustGrants: **August 20, 2026, by 4:59 p.m. ET**
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1. BASIC INFORMATION

Purpose of the Funding

The Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) is a component of the United States Department of Justice. OVW administers Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) grants designed to prevent and respond to domestic/dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

This is a notice of funding opportunity (NOFO) for the **ICJR Program**. Per 34 U.S.C. § 10461(a), this program assists Tribal, state, and local governments and courts to strengthen the criminal justice response to domestic/dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking by improving offender accountability, victim safety, homicide reduction, protection-order enforcement, and coordinated law enforcement and prosecutorial action. These sorts of activities treat these offenses as serious violations of criminal law and seek safety and autonomy for victims. See [Eligibility](#) and [Program Description](#) for more details.

This NOFO has two application categories:

- **Category 1:** Grants to Improve the Criminal Justice Response (ICJR)
- **Category 2:** Firearms Technical Assistance Project Pilot Site Initiative (Invitation only; more information [here](#).)

Funding Details

Announcement Type	Initial
Assistance Listing Number	16.590
Statutory & Regulatory Authority	34 U.S.C. §§ 10461-10465; 28 C.F.R. pt. 90, subpt. D
Grants.gov Opportunity Number	O-OVW-2026-172633
Competition ID Number	Category 1: C-OVW-2026-00005-PROD Category 2: C-OVW-2026-00006-PROD
Expected Total Amount of Funding	Category 1: \$31,500,000 Category 2: \$4,500,000
Anticipated Number of Awards	Category 1: 55 Category 2: 12
Award Type	Grant
Anticipated Award Amounts	Category 1: \$500,000 - \$1,500,000 Category 2: \$400,000
Expected Award Periods	Category 1: 36 months Category 2: 24 months (Both starting on October 1, 2026.)

Key Dates and Times

NOFO Release Date	June 4, 2026
Pre-application Office Hours	June 16, 2026, June 30, 2026, July 14, 2026, all at 1:00pm ET (Join using this link.)
SAM.gov Registration/Renewal	Start the process at least 30 days before deadlines
Step 1: Grants.gov Deadline	11:59 p.m. ET on August 18, 2026
Step 2: JustGrants Deadline	4:59 p.m. ET on August 20, 2026
Anticipated Notification Date	By September 30, 2026

See [Questions?](#) at the end of this NOFO for agency contact information.

2. ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Applicants

The types of entities that are eligible to apply are:

Government Entities

- State governments¹
- Indian Tribal governments²
- Units of local government³
- State and local courts⁴

Nonprofit Entities

- State or territorial domestic violence coalitions⁵
- State or territorial sexual assault coalitions⁶
- Tribal domestic violence and sexual assault coalitions⁷
- Victim service providers⁸

¹ Includes the District of Columbia and U.S. territories, see 34 U.S.C. § 12291(a)(37).

² Must be federally recognized, see 34 U.S.C. § 12291(a)(43).

³ Defined as county, city, or township governments, as well as any town, borough, parish, village, or other general purpose political subdivision of a state, see 34 U.S.C. § 12291(a)(47). Per 28 C.F.R. § 90.61(b), the following are **not** considered units of local government: (1) police departments; (2) pre-trial service agencies; (3) district or city attorneys' offices; (4) sheriffs' departments; (5) probation and parole departments; (6) shelters; (7) nonprofit, nongovernmental victim service agencies; and (8) universities. Such entities must fall in another eligible entity category or have an eligible entity apply as the lead applicant on their behalf.

⁴ Includes juvenile courts, see 34 U.S.C. § 12291(a)(7).

⁵ Determined by HHS under 42 U.S.C. §§ 10402 and 10411, see 34 U.S.C. § 12291(a)(38).

⁶ Determined by the CDC's Center for Injury Prevention and Control under the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. § 280b et seq.), see 34 U.S.C. § 12291(a)(39).

⁷ Meets the criteria at 34 U.S.C. § 12291(a)(42) and is recognized by OVW, see 34 U.S.C. § 10441(d)(2).

⁸ Defined as a nonprofit, nongovernmental or Tribal organization or rape crisis center, including a state or Tribal coalition, that assists or advocates for domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking

Recipients with grants ending by September 30, 2026 may apply but are unlikely to be funded if they have enough funds to carry the project through September 30, 2027.

Faith-based organizations that meet the eligibility requirements for this program are eligible to apply (more information is in the [Application Companion Guide](#)).

Cost sharing and application limit: This NOFO does **not** require cost sharing (match). You may submit more than one application if each application proposes a different project in a different service area. If an applicant submits multiple versions of the same application, OVW will review only the most recent system-validated version submitted before the deadline.

Additional Eligibility Factors

501(c)(3) Status: Any nonprofit organization applying for this program must be recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as tax-exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and must maintain that status during the award period.⁹

Certifications: Per 34 U.S.C. § 10461(c), you must submit the certifications shown below by applicant type. See [Additional Application Components](#) for how to submit.

Tribal, state, or local government	Coalition or victim service provider	State or local court
• Certification of Eligibility (as to encouraging arrest of certain offenders, discouraging dual arrests, prohibiting mutual restraining orders, not charging victims certain fees, and not polygraphing victims). See sample.	• Certification of Eligibility signed by the Tribal, state, or local government serving as the applicant's statutorily required partner. See sample.	• Certification of Eligibility (as to prohibiting mutual restraining orders, not charging victims certain fees, and not polygraphing victims). See sample.
• Prosecution Certification (as to certain training, policies, and a protocol related to victim-centered prosecutions). See sample.	• Prosecution Certification signed by the partner Tribal, state, or local government. See sample.	• No Prosecution Certification for courts
• Minor Certification (as to not prosecuting minors with respect to prostitution). See sample.	• Minor Certification signed by the partner Tribal, state, or local government. See sample.	• No Minor Certification for courts

victims, including domestic violence shelters, faith-based organizations, and other organizations, with a documented history of effective work concerning domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, see 34 U.S.C. § 12291(a)(50).

⁹ See 34 U.S.C. § 12291(b)(15)(B)(i).

Required Partnerships: Per 34 U.S.C. § 10461(c)(2), a coalition or victim service provider applicant must partner with a government that certifies to all the requirements in the first column above. Per 28 C.F.R. § 90.63(c), all government and court applicants must partner with a victim service provider. These partnerships must be documented in a [memorandum of understanding](#) (MOU). All applicants also should include in their MOU the partners needed for the proposed project as described in their [proposal narrative](#).

Disqualifying Factors: Factors that may result in removal during the review process are described on the [OVW website](#). In addition, any nonprofit organization that holds money in offshore accounts for the purpose of avoiding the tax described in section 511(a) of the Internal Revenue Code is ineligible.¹⁰

3. PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Statutory Authority/Program Goals and Objectives

Per 34 U.S.C. § 10461(b), funds must be used for **one or more of the following purposes**:¹¹

1. To implement offender accountability and homicide reduction programs and policies in police departments, including policies for protection order violations and enforcement of protection orders across State and Tribal lines.
2. To develop policies, educational programs, protection order registries, data collection systems, and training in police departments to improve tracking of cases and classification of complaints involving domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. Policies, educational programs, protection order registries, and training described in this paragraph shall incorporate confidentiality, and privacy protections for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.
3. To centralize and coordinate police enforcement, prosecution, or judicial responsibility for domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking cases in teams or units of police officers, prosecutors, parole and probation officers, or judges.
4. To coordinate computer tracking systems and provide the appropriate training and education about domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking to ensure communication between police, prosecutors, parole and probation officers, and both criminal and family courts.
5. To strengthen legal advocacy and legal assistance programs and other victim services for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and

¹⁰ See 34 U.S.C. § 12291(b)(15)(B)(ii).

¹¹ Funded projects must have the overarching purposes of improving the criminal justice response to domestic/dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking as serious violations of criminal law and seeking safety and autonomy of victims, as required by 34 U.S.C. § 10461(a). See *also* 28 C.F.R. § 90.62(b) (requiring that grants awarded demonstrate meaningful attention to victim safety and offender accountability).

stalking, including strengthening assistance to such victims in immigration matters. **(Applications proposing legal assistance for victims must have an existing legal program in place and allocate no more than 30% of the budget to providing legal assistance.)**

6. To educate Federal, State, Tribal, territorial, and local judges, courts, and court-based and court-related personnel in criminal and civil courts (including juvenile courts) about domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking and to improve judicial handling of such cases.
7. To provide technical assistance and computer and other equipment to police departments, prosecutors, courts, and Tribal jurisdictions to facilitate the widespread enforcement of protection orders, including interstate enforcement, enforcement between States and Tribal jurisdictions, and enforcement between Tribal jurisdictions.
8. To develop or strengthen policies and training for police, prosecutors, and the judiciary in recognizing, investigating, and prosecuting domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking crimes affecting older victims, Deaf victims, and victims with disabilities (as defined in section 12102(2) of Title 42).
9. To develop State, Tribal, territorial, or local policies, procedures, and protocols for preventing dual arrests and prosecutions in cases of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, and to develop effective methods for identifying the pattern and history of abuse that indicates which party is the actual perpetrator of abuse.
10. To plan, develop and establish coordinated victim service and criminal justice response centers, such as family justice centers, designed to bring together victim advocates from victim service providers, staff from population specific organizations, law enforcement officers, prosecutors, probation officers, governmental victim assistants, forensic medical professionals, civil legal attorneys, chaplains, legal advocates, representatives from community-based organizations and other relevant public or private agencies or organizations into one centralized location, in order to improve safety, access to services, and confidentiality for victims and families. Although funds may be used to support the colocation of project partners under this paragraph, funds may not support construction or major renovation expenses or activities that fall outside of the scope of the other statutory purpose areas.
11. To develop and implement policies and training for police, prosecutors, probation and parole officers, and the judiciary in recognizing, investigating, and prosecuting instances of sexual assault, with an emphasis on recognizing the threat to the community for repeat crime perpetration by such individuals.
12. To develop, enhance, and maintain protection order registries.
13. To develop human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) testing programs for sexual assault perpetrators and notification and counseling protocols.

14. To develop and implement training programs for prosecutors and other prosecution-related personnel regarding best practices to ensure offender accountability, victim safety, and victim consultation in cases involving domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.
15. To develop or strengthen policies, protocols, and training for law enforcement, prosecutors, and the judiciary in recognizing, investigating, and prosecuting domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking crimes affecting immigrant victims, including appropriate coordination regarding applications for nonimmigrant status under subparagraphs (T) and (U) of section 1101(a)(15) of Title 8, when necessary to support victim cooperation in criminal cases.
16. To develop and promote State, local, or Tribal legislation and policies that enhance best practices for responding to the crimes of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, including the appropriate treatment of victims.
17. To develop, implement, or enhance sexual assault nurse examiner programs or sexual assault forensic examiner programs, including the hiring and training of such examiners.
18. To develop, implement, or enhance Sexual Assault Response Teams or similar coordinated community responses to sexual assault.
19. To develop and strengthen policies, protocols, and training for law enforcement officers and prosecutors regarding the investigation and prosecution of sexual assault cases and the appropriate treatment of victims, including victims who face barriers to accessing law enforcement or court services (as defined in 34 U.S.C. § 12291(a)).
20. To provide human immunodeficiency virus testing programs, counseling, and prophylaxis for victims of sexual assault.
21. To identify and inventory backlogs of sexual assault evidence collection kits and to develop protocols for responding to and addressing such backlogs, including policies and protocols for notifying and involving victims.
22. To develop multidisciplinary high-risk teams focusing on reducing domestic violence and dating violence homicides by—
 - (a) using evidence-based indicators to assess the risk of homicide and link high-risk victims to immediate crisis intervention services;
 - (b) identifying and managing high-risk offenders; and
 - (c) providing ongoing victim advocacy and referrals to comprehensive services including legal, housing, health care, and economic assistance.
23. To develop, strengthen, and implement policies, protocols, and training for law enforcement regarding cases of missing or murdered Indians, as described in 25 U.S.C. § 5704.
24. To compile and annually report data to the Attorney General related to missing or murdered Indians, as described in 25 U.S.C. § 5705.

25. To develop Statewide databases with information on where sexual assault nurse examiners are located.
26. To develop and implement methods of reducing crime and improving victim safety in communities. For purposes of this paragraph, a program or policy that does not improve victim safety is one that—
 - (a) imposes a penalty on a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, on the basis of a request by the victim for law enforcement or emergency assistance; or
 - (b) imposes a penalty on such a victim because of criminal activity at the property in which the victim resides.

Policing and Prosecution Initiative

The FY 2026 ICJR appropriation allocates up to \$5 million for an initiative to promote effective policing and prosecution responses to domestic/dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.¹² Applicants proposing activities under this initiative may apply for up to \$300,000 in **additional funding to support dedicated law enforcement officer or prosecutor positions** responsible for investigating and prosecuting domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking cases.

(Invitation Only) Firearms Technical Assistance Project Pilot Site Initiative (FTAP)

The FY 2026 ICJR appropriation allocates up to \$4 million for a homicide reduction initiative and up to \$2 million for a domestic violence lethality reduction initiative.¹³ Some of these funds will be used for FTAP, which supports communities in addressing firearms safety in the context of domestic violence. *This funding is only for current FTAP sites notified by OVW that they may apply for noncompetitive supplemental funding through this NOFO, as forecasted in the NOFO under which they received initial funding.* These sites will submit work plans in place of the Proposal Narrative.

Expected Outcomes: OVW will measure success by reviewing a recipient's submission of performance reports and data and the extent to which project implementation reflects progress toward the goals and objectives of this NOFO. See the [VAWA Measuring Effectiveness Initiative](#) for more information.

Unallowable Activities: For information on program-specific unallowable activities and costs to help you develop your application and budget consistent with program requirements, see the [Application Companion Guide](#) and [Budget](#) section of this NOFO.

Statutory Funding Priorities

- Per 34 U.S.C. § 10461(g), not less than 25% of ICJR Program funds must be used to support projects that address sexual assault. To meet this requirement, OVW will prioritize applications proposing to implement sexual-assault-focused [statutory](#)

¹² See Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2026, Pub. L. No. 119-74, div A, 140 Stat. 6, 26 (CJS Appropriations Act, 2026).

¹³ See *id.*

[purposes](#) 11, 13, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, and/or 25. Applications proposing to use at least 45% of their proposed budget for such activities may apply for up to \$200,000 in additional funding and may be eligible for an additional 24 months of non-competitive continuation funding.

- Per 34 U.S.C. § 10462(b), OVW must prioritize applicants that:
 1. Do not currently provide for centralized handling of cases involving domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking by police, prosecutors, and courts;
 2. Demonstrate a commitment to strong enforcement of laws, and prosecution of cases, involving domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, including the enforcement of protection orders from other states and jurisdictions (including Tribal jurisdictions);
 3. Have established cooperative agreements or can demonstrate effective ongoing collaborative arrangements with neighboring jurisdictions to facilitate the enforcement of protection orders from other States and jurisdictions (including Tribal jurisdictions); and
 4. In applications describing plans to further [statutory purpose](#) 4 or 7, will give priority to using the grant to develop and install data collection and communication systems, including computerized systems, and training on how to use these systems effectively to link police, prosecutors, courts, and Tribal jurisdictions for the purpose of identifying and tracking protection orders and violations of protection orders, in those jurisdictions where such systems do not exist or are not fully effective.

Agency Funding Priorities

OVW may give priority consideration to applicants that propose projects designed to advance the following public-safety priorities (as applicable within the scope of this NOFO):

1. Combatting human trafficking and transnational crime, particularly crimes linked to illegal immigration, transnational criminal organizations, and cartel operations, including projects that strengthen law enforcement investigation and prosecution while supporting safety and justice for trafficking victims who have also suffered domestic/dating violence, sexual assault, and/or stalking.
2. Projects primarily dedicated to criminal justice responses—including investigation, arrest, prosecution, and enforcement of protective orders—particularly in small towns and rural, remote, and Tribal communities.

OVW also may give priority consideration to applications submitted by states or units of local government that certify they comply with federal immigration law, including 8 U.S.C. § 1373, and/or participate in the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's [287\(g\) Program](#).

Note: Addressing these priorities is one of many factors that OVW considers in making funding decisions. Receiving priority consideration does not guarantee funding.

4. APPLICATION CONTENTS AND FORMAT

Application Contents List

OVW will only consider applications that contain parts marked ***REQUIRED*** below. Refer to the [DOJ Grant Application Submission Checklist](#) for application instructions. All supporting documents and resources for this program are on the [OVW website](#).

Application Item	Submission Type
Step 1: Grants.gov	
Application for Federal Assistance: SF-424 *REQUIRED*	Online Form
Step 2: JustGrants	
Standard Applicant Information *REQUIRED*	Online Form
Proposal Abstract	Text Box
Data Requested with Application Pre-award Risk Assessment	Online Form
Proposal Narrative *REQUIRED* (FTAP sites submit a work plan)	Attachment
Budget *REQUIRED*	Attachment
Budget/Financial Attachments - Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (if applicable) - Applicant Financial Capability Questionnaire (if applicable) - Executive Compensation Disclosure (if applicable)	Attachment
Memorandum of Understanding *REQUIRED*	Attachment
Additional Application Components - Certification of Eligibility *REQUIRED* - Prosecution Certification (if applicable) - Minor Certification (if applicable) - HIV Certification, Assurance, or Letter of Exemption (if applicable) - Certification regarding out-of-scope activities - Summary Data Sheet - Confidentiality Notice Form - Delivery of Legal Assistance Certification (if applicable) - Proof of 501(c)(3) status (if applicable) - Certification regarding compliance with federal immigration law (if applicable)	Attachment

Standard Applicant Information ***REQUIRED***

Review and edit as needed the information imported from the [SF-424 submitted in Grants.gov](#) and add ZIP codes for areas affected by the project.

Proposal Abstract

In JustGrants, enter a proposal abstract (limited to 2,000 characters) summarizing the proposed project. See example [here](#). As abstracts for funded projects are public, do not include any personally identifying information (e.g., staff names).

Data Requested with Application: Pre-award Risk Assessment

Complete this questionnaire in JustGrants. The questions are available [here](#).

Proposal Narrative ***REQUIRED***

Format of the Proposal Narrative

Use the [Proposal Narrative Template](#) on the OVW website. It must be:

- No longer than 10 pages, single-spaced
- In a font no smaller than 11-point
- On correctly numbered pages with one-inch margins
- In a file format openable in Microsoft Word or Adobe Reader
- In a table format or use headings and subheadings that correspond to the sections listed below
- Written in plain language

If you do not follow this format, OVW may reduce the score/ranking of the application.

Sections of the Proposal Narrative

The Proposal Narrative must include the three sections listed below. If you are applying for the Policing and Prosecution Initiative, the Proposal Narrative must state this. If you want priority consideration, the Proposal Narrative must state which priority(ies) your project will advance and describe how it will do so.

For NOFOs that require a memorandum of understanding or letters of commitment from project partners, the MOU/letters are reviewed in conjunction with the Proposal Narrative.

1. Purpose of the Project (weighted at 30%)

- Say why you are applying for the grant.
- Identify the project's goals/objectives. Summarize why the goals/objectives were selected, e.g., how the project complements other services, improves services, fills service gaps, and/or responds to a need.
- Describe the communities that will be served.

2. What Will Be Done (weighted at 35%)

- For each project goal, describe:
 - Activities and who is responsible for them;
 - How the applicant will ensure victim safety and/or offender accountability; and

- Outcomes for knowing the goal was achieved, and how these outcomes will be tracked.
- Describe how services, products, etc. will be accessible to anyone who may need them.

3. Who Will Implement the Project (weighted at 20%)

- Identify the people who will implement the project. Provide for each person their name, agency/organization, position/title, their role and responsibilities on the proposed project, and a description of how they are equipped to fulfill their role/responsibility on the project.
- Describe anticipated coordination and collaboration among project partners and/or others and how working together will advance the project's goals.

Budget and Associated Documentation

Budget ***REQUIRED*** (weighted at 15%)

Use the [Sample Budget Narrative](#) (attach file in JustGrants) to submit the budget. Refer to [Budget Information](#) and the [Creating a Budget](#) webinar for more information:

- List each cost needed to implement the project under the appropriate cost category. Total costs must be no more than the following (for 36 months):

Service Area Population	Funding Levels
Up to 400,000	\$500,000
400,001 – 700,000	\$750,000
Above 700,000	\$1,000,000
Statewide	\$1,000,000

Policing and Prosecution Initiative applicants: clearly identify the additional \$300,000 to support law enforcement/prosecution offices.

Sexual assault priority applicants: clearly identify the additional \$200,000.

FTAP applicants: total costs must be no more than \$400,000 for 24 months.

- Clearly name and describe each cost.
- Show the computation of each cost (e.g., cost per unit, number of units, and total cost).
- Enter narrative, as needed, to explain the cost calculations and connection to your project goals, objectives, and activities.
- Include only costs that are reasonable, allocable, and necessary to implement the project. They must be allowable under the funding statute and agency requirements.¹⁴
- Fairly and reasonably compensate project partners, unless a reason not to is explained in a memorandum of understanding or letter of commitment.

¹⁴ See [2 C.F.R. Part 200, Subpart E](#) and the [DOJ Grants Financial Guide](#). Read information on unallowable costs [here](#).

- Distinguish clearly between subawards and contracts in allocating any grant funds to other entities.¹⁵
- Set aside a minimum of \$5,000 on the Travel line to participate in training and technical assistance.

Budget/Financial Attachments

- **Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (if applicable):** If the budget includes indirect costs, upload your current, federally approved indirect cost rate agreement.
- [Applicant Financial Capability Questionnaire](#) (if applicable): Nonprofit, nongovernmental organizations that have not previously (or within the last three years) received funding from OVW must complete and upload this form.
- [Disclosure of Process Related to Executive Compensation](#) (nonprofits only): Nonprofit organizations that use the Internal Revenue Service's (IRS) Safe Harbor Procedure must submit a special disclosure to OVW.¹⁶

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and Supporting Documents

REQUIRED

Attach an MOU among the applicant and project partners. The MOU must document victim service provider participation in development of the application, per 34 U.S.C. § 10462(a)(4). Tribal governments and courts that are unable to sign an MOU may submit letters of commitment instead. OVW's [website](#) has instructions for MOUs and letters.

Additional Application Components

Attach these in JustGrants:

- **Certification of Eligibility** (see [Additional Eligibility Factors](#)) ***REQUIRED***
- **Prosecution Certification** and **Minor Certification** (if applicable, see [Eligibility](#)).
- **HIV Certification** – Per 34 U.S.C. § 10461(d), state and local government applicants must provide this certification, assurance, or letter of exemption.
- **[Certification regarding out-of-scope activities](#)** letter signed by the Authorized Representative.
 - Note: This certification is the subject of federal litigation. For the most up-to-date information about this certification requirement, see the [OVW website](#).
- **[Summary Data Sheet](#)**, one to four pages.
- **[Confidentiality Notice Form](#)**, signed by the Authorized Representative, acknowledging the confidentiality requirements of 34 U.S.C. § 12291(b)(2).
- **[Delivery of Legal Assistance Certification](#)**, signed by the Authorized Representative if the application proposes to provide legal assistance to victims.
- **501(c)(3) status determination letter** from the Internal Revenue Service recognizing the applicant's tax-exempt status, as described in [Eligibility](#). OVW cannot make an award to a nonprofit organization without this letter.

¹⁵ More information on this is [here](#).

¹⁶ See 34 U.S.C. § 12291(b)(15)(B)(iii). More information is [here](#).

- **Certification regarding compliance with federal immigration law.** State or local government applicants seeking priority consideration for certifying compliance with federal immigration law, including 8 U.S.C. § 1373, must submit a letter signed by the Authorized Representative making this certification.

Disclosures and Assurances

Complete the [disclosures](#), [assurances](#), and [certifications](#) in JustGrants.

5. SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND DEADLINES

The [DOJ Grant Application Submission Checklist](#) provides instructions for how to submit by the [deadlines](#). [Executive Order \(E.O.\) 12372](#) (Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs) applies to this funding opportunity. OVW's [How to Apply](#) page has a policy for applicants to request late submission due to technical difficulties, severe weather, or natural or manmade disaster.

6. APPLICATION REVIEW INFORMATION

OVW's [Discretionary Grant Application Review Process](#) page explains the responsiveness review, review criteria, review and selection process, including risk review, and deciding official.

7. AWARD NOTICES

Read about the award notification process on OVW's [website](#).

8. POST-AWARD REQUIREMENTS & ADMINISTRATION

Read the [Application Companion Guide](#) for more information about [standard award terms and conditions](#), administrative and national policy requirements, and post-award reporting requirements.

9. QUESTIONS?

NOFO Contact	Phone: 202-307-6026, Email: OVW.ICJR@usdoj.gov
SAM.gov Help Desk	Website: https://sam.gov/content/help Hours: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. ET Monday – Friday
Grants.gov Help Desk	Phone: 800-518-4726 Email: support@grants.gov Website: https://www.grants.gov/support Hours: 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (closed federal holidays)
JustGrants Help Desk	Phone: 866-655-4482 Email: OVW.JustGrantsSupport@usdoj.gov Hours: 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET Monday – Friday