

# Funding to Make Services Safe and Accessible for Survivors with Disabilities and Deaf Survivors: OVW's Disability Grant Program

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# Webinar Goals

- Understand the Disability Grant Program
- Understand the Disability Grant Program requirements
- Understand How to Apply

# OVERVIEW OF THE PROGRAM

- The purpose of the Disability Grant program is to create permanent changes within and among the organizations in your collaboration that result in more accessible, safe, and effective services for survivors with disabilities and Deaf survivors.

**Questions?**

# APPLICATION DEADLINES

- Grants.gov Deadline: March 6, 2023 11:59 PM
- JustGrants Deadline: March 9, 2023 9:00 PM

# ELIGIBILITY

- **Type of Applicant (page 13)**

- States
- Units of local government
- Indian tribal governments or tribal organizations
- Victim service providers, such as state or tribal domestic violence or sexual assault coalitions, or nonprofit, nongovernmental organizations serving individuals with disabilities or Deaf people

- **Local/State Focus (page 16)**

- A local focus = all local organizations
- A State focus = all statewide organizations

- **Required Partnerships – Multidisciplinary Collaborative Team (page 17)**

- Victim Service Provider
- Disability Service Provider

# PURPOSE AREAS

- There are 8 purposes areas (see section purpose areas):
  - New Applicants— will follow predetermined, structured process that falls under various purpose areas
  - Continuation Applicants – will identify which purpose areas the project will address

# FUNDING RESTRICTIONS

- Activities that Compromise Victim Safety and Recovery or Undermine Offender Accountability (page 8)
- Out-of-Scope Activities (pages 8-9)
- Unallowable Costs (page 27)
- Food and Beverage/Costs for Refreshments and Meals (page 28)
- Conference Planning Expenditures Limitations (page 28)



# PRIORITY AREAS

## **1. Advance racial equality as an essential component of ending sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking.**

To qualify for special consideration, applications must propose to have a culturally specific organization as a member of the multidisciplinary collaborative team.

## **2. Strengthen efforts to prevent and end sexual assault, including victim services and civil and criminal justice responses.**

To qualify for special consideration, applications must propose a sexual assault focus and include a sexual assault service provider as a member of the multidisciplinary collaborative team.

# TYPE OF AWARD: COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT

- Awards will be made as cooperative agreements.
- Cooperative agreements are a form of award under which OVW expects to have ongoing substantial involvement in award activities.
- Substantial involvement includes: participating in project meetings, developing and approving final agendas, reviewing and approving faculty, products, and curricula, and identifying participants.
- Recipients must be willing to work closely with OVW on the implementation of their project and be willing to modify project activities at OVW's request.

# AWARD PERIOD & AMOUNTS (Page 10)

- **New applicants – 36 months**
  - New, state-focused \$500,000 for 36 months.
  - New, local-focused or tribal-focused \$425,000 for 36 months.
  
- **Continuation Applicants - 24 months**
  - Continuation, state-focused \$400,000 for 24 months.
  - Continuation, local-focused or tribal-focused \$325,000 for 24 months.

# MANDATORY PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

## (Pages 11-13)

- **New Applicants**

- Planning & Development and Implementation Phase
- Decision-Maker Participation
- Technical Assistance

- **Continuation Applicants**

- Scope of Activities
- Critical Assessment
- Purpose Area
- Decision-Maker Participation
- Technical Assistance

**Questions?**

# APPLICATION CONTENTS

- Proposal Narrative (pages 23-25)
- Budget Detail Worksheet and Narrative (pages 26-27)
- Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) (pages 30-31)

# PROPOSAL NARRATIVE

- **New Applicants**

- Purpose of the Proposal (40 Points)
- Who Will Implement the Proposal (30 Points)

- **Continuation Applicants**

- Purpose of the Proposal (20 Points)
- Who Will Implement the Proposal (15 Points)
- What Will Be Done (35 Points)

# BUDGET & MOU

- Budget and Budget Narrative (10 Points)
  - Accommodations, accommodations, accommodations!!!
- Memorandum of Understanding (20 Points)



**Questions?**

# FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

- Summary Data Sheet (attachment)
  - Proof of 501(c)(3) Status (if applicable)
  - Single Audit (threshold and fiscal year)
  - IRS three-step safe-harbor procedure— Executive Compensation —
    - Sample Disclosure Letter
    - Address all four parts
- Pre-Award Risk Assessment (attachment)
  - Eleven questions; Multiple parts to each question
  - Most Common issues:
    - Brief list of policies and procedures not provided
    - Budgeted vs. Actual process not provided
    - Record Retention policy not provided
    - Knowledge of rules and regulations

# RESOURCES

- **Creating a Budget: Training for OVW Applicants**  
<https://www.justice.gov/ovw/resources-applicants>
- **Uniform Guidance - 2 CFR Part 200**  
<https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?node=2:1.1.2.2.1>
- **DOJ Financial Guide –**  
<https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/1298396/download>
- **Program Specific Solicitation -**  
<https://www.justice.gov/ovw/open-solicitations>

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# PRIOR TO APPLICATION SUBMISSION

- To submit an application, all applicants must obtain a Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) number and register online with the System for Award Management and with Grants.gov.
- To ensure sufficient time to complete the registration process, applicants must obtain a DUNS number and register online with SAM and with Grants.gov immediately, but no later than February 9, 2023.

# HOW TO APPLY

## **Two-Step Application Process:**

1. Submission of the SF-424 and SF-LLL in Grants.gov  
Deadline: March 6, 2023 at 11:59 PM
2. Submission of full application in the DOJ Justice Grants System  
Deadline: March 9, 2023 at 9:00 PM

## **Technical Assistance**

- For assistance with Grants.gov: Contact Grants.gov Applicant Support  
@ 1-800-518-4726 or [support@grants.gov](mailto:support@grants.gov)
- For assistance with JustGrants: Contact OVW JustGrants Support  
@ 1-866-655-4482 or [OVW.JustGrantsSupport@usdoj.gov](mailto:OVW.JustGrantsSupport@usdoj.gov)

# OTHER INFORMATION

- Application Checklist (page 41)
- Review and Selection Process
  - External Peer Review
  - Internal Programmatic Review
- It is anticipated that all applicants will be notified of the outcome of their applications by October 1, 2023.



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