

A Guide to Federal Resources for Preventing and Responding to College Sexual Assault

How to Navigate the Funding Process

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Introduction

Dear Fellow New Yorker,

According to a recent Bureau of Justice Statistics report, over 30,000 women in college are raped or sexually assaulted each year in the United States. When our young people go on to higher education, it should be an opportunity to learn, grow, pursue their dreams and prepare for their future careers. America's colleges and universities are the best in the world, and it is simply unacceptable that they become havens for rape and sexual assault. It is time to take this crisis head on and end the scourge of sexual assault on our college campuses, hold offenders accountable, and keep our students safe. As part of this effort, I want to empower our colleges and universities, police departments, state and local criminal justice groups and public safety agencies with information on federal resources that can assist in preventing and responding to sexual assault on college campuses.

Finding the resources that meet your needs in the complex web of federal, state, local and non-governmental agencies can be an impossible task. For this reason, I have created this guidebook to serve as a starting point in providing information from relevant federal agencies about what resources are available to colleges, universities, police departments and other public safety organizations to put in place the necessary programming to prevent and respond to sexual assault on our college campuses. The information in this guidebook is by no means comprehensive and as new programs and opportunities emerge, its contents will be updated to provide New Yorkers with the most up-to-date information possible.

My Senate website (www.gillibrand.senate.gov) is continually updated with critical information about various funding opportunities that are available to you, how to access them, and where to apply. You can also request hard copies of this guidebook, and other thematic funding guidebooks, by filling out the guidebook order form at the end of this guidebook and mailing it back to my New York City office or by emailing an electronic copy to grants@gillibrand.senate.gov. Furthermore, if you need assistance from a federal agency or with an immigration case, please refer to the casework form or visit <http://gillibrand.senate.gov/services/casework/form/>. As you move forward with any grant opportunities, please contact Andrew Usyk, my Grants Director, for letters of support, when applicable. You can reach him in my Washington, D.C. office at grants@gillibrand.senate.gov, or (202)-224-4451.

Sincerely,



Kirsten Gillibrand
United States Senator

Resources for Colleges and Universities

U.S. Department of Justice – Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) Campus Grant Program

This program strengthens the response of institutions of higher education to the crimes of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking on campuses and enhances collaboration among campuses, local law enforcement, and victim advocacy organizations.

➤ **Additional Information:**

- The Campus Program particularly focuses on funding initiatives that strengthen on-campus victim services, advocacy, and security and investigation, improving both prosecution and prevention of these crimes.
- Campus Program grantees must:
 - Provide prevention programs for all incoming students;
 - Train campus law enforcement or security staff;
 - Educate campus judicial or disciplinary boards on the unique dynamics of these crimes; and
 - Create a coordinated community response to enhance victim assistance and safety while holding offenders accountable, including both organizations external to the institution and relevant divisions of the institution.

➤ **Eligible Applicants:**

- Institutions of higher education
- Consortia of higher education institutions in which each individual consortium member is also eligible to apply

➤ **Matching Funds:**

- While OVW discretionary grant programs do not require matching funds, applicants are encouraged to maximize the impact of federal dollars by contributing to the costs of their projects. Supplemental contributions may be cash, in-kind services, or a combination of both.

➤ **Award Amounts:**

- Typically awards are up to \$300,000 for individual university/college projects and up to \$500,000 for consortia projects depending on availability of overall funding for the program.

➤ **Contact:**

- For more information, please contact the OVW Campus Program Unit at OVW.Campus@usdoj.gov, call (202) 307-6026 or visit <http://www.justice.gov/ovw/responding-campus-sexual-assault>.

U.S. Department of Justice – Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Hiring Program (CHP)

This program provides funding directly to law enforcement agencies to hire and/or rehire career law enforcement officers in an effort to increase their community policing capacity and crime prevention efforts

➤ **Additional Information:**

- This program considers “all local, state and tribal law enforcement agencies that have primary law enforcement authority eligible to apply for a COPS Hiring Grant. An agency with primary law enforcement authority is defined as the first responder to calls for service for all types of criminal incidents within the jurisdiction served.” A campus law enforcement agency must be a law enforcement agency with primary jurisdiction to be eligible.
- CHP grant funding will be based on an agency’s current entry-level salary and fringe benefits for full-time sworn officers. Any additional costs for higher than entry-level salaries and fringe benefits will be the responsibility of the grantee agency.
- All agencies’ requests will be capped at no more than 5 percent of their actual sworn force strength as reported on the date of application.
- Agencies with a service population of 1 million or more may apply for up to 25 officer positions; agencies with a service population of less than 1 million may apply for up to 15 officer positions.
- Funding under this program may be used to:
 - Hire new officers, which includes filling existing officer vacancies that are no longer funded in your agency’s budget. These positions must be in addition to your current budgeted (funded) level of sworn officer positions, and the officers must be hired on or after the official grant award start date as it is listed on your agency’s award document.
 - Rehire officers laid off by any jurisdiction as a result of state, local, or Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) budget cuts. The rehired officers must be rehired on or after the official grant award start date as it appears on your agency’s award document. Documentation must be maintained showing the date(s) that the positions were laid off and rehired.
 - Rehire officers who are (at the time of application) currently scheduled to be laid off by your jurisdiction on a specific future date as a result of state, local, or BIA budget cuts. Grantees will be required to continue funding the positions with local funding until the date(s) of the scheduled lay-offs. The dates of the scheduled lay-offs and the number of positions affected must be identified in the CHP application. In addition, documentation must be maintained detailing the dates and reason(s) for the lay-offs. Furthermore, agencies awarded will be required to maintain documentation that demonstrates that the scheduled lay-offs are occurring for local economic reasons unrelated to the availability of CHP grant funds; such documentation may include local council meeting minutes, memoranda, notices, or orders discussing the lay-offs, budget documents ordering jurisdiction-wide budget cuts, and/or notices provided to the individual officers regarding the lay-offs.

- **Match Requirements and Award Amount:**
 - CHP grants will cover up to 75 percent of the approved entry-level salary and fringe benefits of each newly-hired and/or rehired, full-time sworn career law enforcement officer over the three-year (36 months) grant period, with a minimum 25 percent local cash match requirement and maximum share of \$125,000 per officer position.
- **Eligible Applicants:**
 - All local, state, and tribal law enforcement agencies that have primary law enforcement authority are eligible to apply.
- **Contact Information:**
 - For more information, please call (800) 421-6770 or email askCopsRC@usdoj.gov or visit the following site: <http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/Default.asp?Item=2367>.

U.S. Department of Justice – Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Community Policing Development Grants

This program provides funding that supports innovative community policing strategies, applied research, and best practice sharing.

Community Policing Development (CPD) Grants:

Again, campus law enforcement agencies are eligible. Under this pot of funding, campus law enforcement agencies would propose a specific project or program to work on with federal funds. The topics could be anything, including a program to combat campus sexual assault. CPD funds are not typically used to hire personnel or purchase equipment. These are projects. Only personnel and equipment incidental to the project or program are permitted and under limited circumstances. Exact grant conditions are located on the COPS website in the application guide for the Community Policing Development Grants.

- **Additional Information:**
 - It is not expected or anticipated that the proposed project accomplishes more than one of the following goals:
 - Develop Knowledge: Develop new knowledge or leverage existing knowledge about community policing activities and strategies that show promise.
 - Increase Awareness: Increase the number of agencies/individuals who are aware of the most effective community policing strategies.
 - Increase Skills/Abilities: Increase the skills and/or abilities of law enforcement agencies, relevant stakeholders, and/or individuals to engage in proven community policing practices.
 - Increase Practice: Increase the number of law enforcement agencies, relevant stakeholders, and/or individuals using proven community policing practices.
 - Institutionalize Practice: Increase the number of law enforcement agencies, relevant stakeholders, and/or individuals that systematically use and integrate proven community policing strategies as part of their routine business and will continue to engage in these practices for the foreseeable future.
- **Match Requirements and Award Amount:**
 - CPD grants do not require a match.

- **Eligible Applicants:**
 - All public governmental agencies, profit or nonprofit institutions, universities, community groups and faith-based organizations are eligible to apply.
 - Applications that represent partnerships between law enforcement agencies and university and nonprofit institutions are encouraged.
- **Contact Information:**
 - For programmatic assistance, please call the COPS Office Response Center at (800) 421-6770 or send questions via email to AskCopsRC@usdoj.gov.

U.S. Department of Justice – National Institute of Justice’s (NIJ) Research and Evaluation on Violence Against Women: Teen Dating Violence, Sexual Violence and Intimate Partner Violence Program

This program sponsors research to provide objective, independent, evidence-based knowledge and tools to meet the challenges of crime and justice, particularly at State and local levels.

- **Additional Information:**
 - This program takes interest in proposals to understand adolescent relationship abuse and in researching the effectiveness of policies and programs intended to prevent or respond to teen dating violence.
- **Eligible Applicants:**
 - NIJ is authorized to make grants or enter into contracts with States (including territories), units of local governments (including federally recognized Indian tribal organizations as determined by the Secretary of the Interior), nonprofit and for-profit organizations, higher education institutions and certain qualified individuals.
- **Matching Funds:**
 - A grant made by NIJ through this program may account for up to 100 percent of the total cost of the project.
 - The application should indicate whether it is feasible for the applicant to contribute cash, facilities or services as non-Federal support for the project.
 - The application should identify generally any such contributions that the applicant expects to make and the proposed budget should indicate in detail which items, if any, will be supported with non-Federal contributions.
 - If a successful application proposes a voluntary match amount, and OJP approves the budget, the total match amount incorporated into the approved budget becomes mandatory and subject to audit.
- **Contact Information:**
 - For assistance with any other requirements of this program, email NIJ at VAW_Research@ojp.usdoj.gov.
 - For general information on applying for NIJ awards, please visit www.nij.gov/funding/pages/welcome.aspx or the frequently asked questions page at www.nij.gov/funding/pages/faqs.aspx.

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- NotAlone was launched in connection with the White House Task force to Protect Students from Sexual Assault in January 2014.
- NotAlone provides information for colleges and universities on resources for preventing and responding to sexual assault, including tools to locate services and organizations in your area to assist.
- For more information, please visit <https://www.notalone.gov/>.



Resources for Police Departments, Victim Service Providers and other State and Local Criminal Justice and Public Safety Organizations

U.S. Department of Justice – OVW STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program

This program awards funds to states and territories to make sub-grants to enhance the capacity of local communities to develop and strengthen effective law enforcement and prosecution strategies to combat violent crimes against women and to develop and strengthen victim services in cases involving violent crimes against women.

➤ **Additional Information:**

- Grants and sub-grants supported through this Program must meet one or more of the following statutory purpose areas:
 - training law enforcement officers, judges, other court personnel, and prosecutors to more effectively identify and respond to violent crimes against women, including the crimes of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, including the appropriate use of nonimmigrant status;
 - developing, training, or expanding units of law enforcement officers, judges, other court personnel, and prosecutors specifically targeting violent crimes against women, including the crimes of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking;
 - developing and implementing more effective police, court, and prosecution policies, protocols, orders, and services specifically devoted to preventing, identifying, and responding to violent crimes against women, including the crimes of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, as well as the appropriate treatment of victims;
 - developing, installing, or expanding data collection and communication systems, including computerized systems, linking police, prosecutors, and courts or for the purpose of identifying, classifying, and tracking arrests, protection orders, violations of protection orders, prosecutions, and convictions for violent crimes against women, including the crimes of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking;
 - developing, enlarging, or strengthening victim services and legal assistance programs, including sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking programs, developing or improving delivery of victim services to underserved populations, providing specialized domestic violence court advocates in courts where a significant number of protection orders are granted, and increasing reporting and reducing attrition rates for cases involving violent crimes against women, including crimes of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking;
 - developing, enlarging, or strengthening programs addressing the needs and circumstances of Indian tribes in dealing with violent crimes against women,

- including the crimes of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking;
- supporting formal and informal statewide, multidisciplinary efforts, to the extent not supported by State funds, to coordinate the response of State law enforcement agencies, prosecutors, courts, victim services agencies, and other State agencies and departments, to violent crimes against women, including the crimes of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking;
 - training of sexual assault forensic medical personnel examiners in the collection and preservation of evidence, analysis, prevention, and providing expert testimony and treatment of trauma related to sexual assault;
 - developing, enlarging, or strengthening programs to assist law enforcement, prosecutors, courts, and others to address the needs and circumstances of older and disabled women who are victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, including recognizing, investigating, and prosecuting instances of such violence or assault and targeting outreach and support, counseling, and other victim services to such older and disabled individuals;
 - providing assistance to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault in immigration matters;
 - maintaining core victim services and criminal justice initiatives, while supporting complementary new initiatives and emergency services for victims and their families;
 - supporting the placement of special victim assistants (to be known as "Jessica Gonzales Victim Assistants") in local law enforcement agencies to serve as liaisons between victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking and personnel in local law enforcement agencies in order to improve the enforcement of protection orders. Jessica Gonzales Victim Assistants shall have expertise in domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking and may undertake the following activities-
 - developing, in collaboration with prosecutors, courts, and victim service providers, standardized response policies for local law enforcement agencies, including the use of evidence-based indicators to assess the risk of domestic and dating violence homicide and prioritize dangerous or potentially lethal cases;
 - notifying persons seeking enforcement of protection orders as to what responses will be provided by the relevant law enforcement agency;
 - referring persons seeking enforcement of protection orders to supplementary services (such as emergency shelter programs, hotlines, or legal assistance services); and
 - taking other appropriate action to assist or secure the safety of the person seeking enforcement of a protection order;
 - providing funding to law enforcement agencies, victim services providers, and State, tribal, territorial, and local governments (which funding stream shall be known as the Crystal Judson Domestic Violence Protocol Program) to promote-
 - the development and implementation of training for local victim domestic violence service providers, and to fund victim services personnel, to be known as "Crystal Judson Victim Advocates," to provide supportive services and advocacy for victims of domestic violence committed by law enforcement personnel;

- the implementation of protocols within law enforcement agencies to ensure consistent and effective responses to the commission of domestic violence by personnel within such agencies (such as the model policy promulgated by the International Association of Chiefs of Police ("Domestic Violence by Police Officers: A Policy of the IACP, Police Response to Violence Against Women Project" July 2003));
 - the development of such protocols in collaboration with State, tribal, territorial and local victim service providers and domestic violence coalitions.
 - Any law enforcement, State, tribal, territorial, or local government agency receiving funding under the Crystal Judson Domestic Violence Protocol Program under paragraph
 - shall on an annual basis, receive additional training on the topic of incidents of domestic violence committed by law enforcement personnel from domestic violence and sexual assault nonprofit organizations and, after a period of 2 years, provide a report of the adopted protocol to the Department of Justice, including a summary of progress in implementing such protocol;
 - developing and promoting State, local, or tribal legislation and policies that enhance best practices for responding to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking;
 - developing, implementing, or enhancing Sexual Assault Response Teams, or other similar coordinated community responses to sexual assault;
 - developing and strengthening policies, protocols, best practices, and training for law enforcement agencies and prosecutors relating to the investigation and prosecution of sexual assault cases and the appropriate treatment of victims;
 - developing, enlarging, or strengthening programs addressing sexual assault against men, women, and youth in correctional and detention settings;
 - identifying and conducting inventories of backlogs of sexual assault evidence collection kits and developing protocols and policies for responding to and addressing such backlogs, including protocols and policies for notifying and involving victims;
 - developing, enlarging, or strengthening programs and projects to provide services and responses targeting male and female victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, whose ability to access traditional services and responses is affected by their sexual orientation or gender identity; and
 - developing, enhancing, or strengthening prevention and educational programming to address domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, with not more than 5 percent of the amount allocated to a State to be used for this purpose.
- **Eligible Applicants:**
 - Each state and territory must allocate 25 percent of their allotted formula grant for law enforcement, 25 percent for prosecutors, 30 percent for victim services (of which at least 10 percent must be distributed to culturally specific community-based organizations), 5 percent to state and local courts, and 15 percent for discretionary distribution.

➤ **Required Match:**

- There is a 25% match requirement imposed on grant and sub-grant funds under this program.
- Subgrants to victim service providers for victim services or to tribes can be excluded from the total costs of the award for purposes of calculating match.
- The applicant must identify the source of the 25 percent non-Federal portion of the budget and how match funds will be used.
- Applicants may satisfy the required match with either cash or in-kind services.

➤ **Contact:**

- For more information on New York State's STOP Program, please visit <http://www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/ofpa/vawamain.htm> or contact:
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Phone: (518) 485-7909
 - NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services
Office of Program Development and Funding
Phone: (518) 457-8462
Email: funding@dcjs.ny.gov
 - NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services
Customers Contact Center
Phone: (518) 457-5837
Email: cccenter@dcjs.ny.gov

U.S. Department of Justice – OVW Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP)

This program provides funding solely dedicated to direct intervention and related assistance for victims of sexual assault.

➤ **Additional Information:**

- The SASP Program directs grant dollars to States and Territories to assist them in supporting rape crisis centers and other nonprofit, nongovernmental organizations that provide core services, direct intervention, and related assistance to victims of sexual assault.
- Rape crisis centers and other nonprofit organizations, such as dual programs providing both domestic violence and sexual violence intervention services, play a vital role in assisting sexual assault victims through the healing process, as well as assisting victims through the medical, criminal justice, and other social support systems.
- Overall, the purpose of the SASP Formula Grant Program, is to provide intervention, advocacy, accompaniment (e.g., accompanying victims to court, medical facilities, police departments, etc.), support services, and related assistance to:
 - Adult, youth, and child victims of sexual assault;

- Family and household members of such victims; and
- Those collaterally affected by the victimization (e.g., friends, coworkers, classmates), except for the perpetrator of such victimization.
- SASP Formula grants shall be used by States and Territories to provide subgrants to rape crisis centers and other non-profit, nongovernmental organizations, including Tribal organizations, for programs and activities that provide direct intervention and related assistance. Intervention and related assistance may include:
 - 24-hour hotline services providing crisis intervention services and referral;
 - Accompaniment and advocacy through medical, criminal justice, and social support systems, including medical facilities, police, and court proceedings;
 - Crisis intervention, short-term individual and group support services, and comprehensive service coordination and supervision to assist sexual assault victims and non-offending family or household members;
 - Information and referral to assist the sexual assault victim and non-offending family or household members;
 - Community-based, linguistically and culturally specific services and support mechanisms, including outreach activities for underserved communities;
 - The development and distribution of materials related to the services described in the previous bullets.
- The New York State SASP award is overseen jointly by the NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services and the New York State Coalition Against Sexual Assault (NYSCASA), which distributes funds to all of the Department of Health approved rape crisis programs across New York State using a non-competitive formula process. You can find a list of all Rape Crisis Center Programs in New York State at the following site: <http://nyscasa.org/responding/crisiscenters>.
- **Eligible Applicants:**
 - Any State and Territory, as well as the District of Columbia, are eligible to apply for these funds.
- **Award Amounts:**
 - By statute, OVW will award a base amount (for state, not less than 1.5 percent of the total amount appropriated, for territories and the District of Columbia, .125 percent) to each State and Territory.
 - Funds remaining after the allocated base amount will be distributed among the States and Territories according to population.
- **Contact:**
 - For more information on New York State's SASP Program, please contact:
 - Bill Schaefer
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Albany, NY 12210
Phone: (518) 485-7909
 - NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services
Office of Program Development and Funding
Phone: (518) 457-8462
Email: funding@dcjs.ny.gov

- NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services
Customers Contact Center
Phone: (518) 457-5837
Email: cccenter@dcjs.ny.gov

U.S. Department of Justice – OVW Consolidated Grant Program to Address Children and Youth Experiencing Domestic and Sexual Assault and Engage Men and Boys as Allies

This program creates a unique opportunity for communities to increase collaboration among non-profit service providers, violence prevention programs, and child and youth organizations serving victims ages 0-24. Additionally, this program supports organizations and programs that promote boys' and men's role in combating violence against women and girls.

➤ **Additional Information:**

- Funds under the most recent competition were to be used for the following purposes:
 - “Comprehensive” Projects must engage in the mandatory activities in purpose areas 1-4 outlined below, and may also choose to engage in activities outlined in purpose area 5.
 - “Engaging Men” Projects may only engage in activities outlined in purpose area 5.
 - Purpose Areas:
 - Develop, expand, and strengthen services that primarily target children and youth who are victims of and/or exposed, either directly or indirectly, to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, including support for non-abusing parents and caretakers. Services may include, but are not limited to: victim services, home visitation, emergency shelter, transitional housing, counseling and mental health services, legal advocacy, childcare support, mentoring, educational support, and transportation.
 - Provide training for school and after-school personnel, victim service providers, men's organizations including fatherhood programs, community based organizations, child protective workers, law enforcement officers, prosecutors, court personnel, medical and mental health workers, child care workers, and others who serve children and youth in order to improve their ability to appropriately address and respond to the needs of children and youth who are victims of and/or are exposed to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking;
 - Develop and implement domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking prevention strategies focusing on children, youth, and young adults. Strategies employed may include, but are not limited to:
 - ❖ Bystander education;
 - ❖ Peer to peer education;
 - ❖ Parent/guardian education;
 - ❖ Community awareness campaigns and public education; or
 - ❖ Gender-separated prevention and education programs;
 - ❖ Support improved identification of and response to children and youth who are victims of and/or are exposed to domestic violence, dating violence,

sexual assault, or stalking by school and after-school personnel, victim service providers, child protective service workers, law enforcement officers, prosecutors, court personnel, medical and mental health personnel, social workers, child care workers, and workers and others who serve children and youth as well as improve collaboration and coordination among these professionals.

- Develop and implement public education campaigns, community organizing activities and/or prevention strategies focusing on engaging men as leaders and role models to develop, maintain or enhance programs that work with men to prevent domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking by helping men serve as role models and social influencers of other men and youth at the individual, school or community levels.

➤ **Eligible Applicants:**

- Nonprofit and nongovernmental entities
- Local Government entities
- Indian Tribes or tribal nonprofit organizations

➤ **Matching Funds:**

- While OVW discretionary grant programs do not require matching funds, applicants are encouraged to maximize the impact of federal dollars by contributing to the costs of their projects. Supplemental contributions may be cash, in-kind services, or a combination of both.

➤ **Award Amounts:**

- Awards are typically up to \$1,000,000 to implement a “Comprehensive” Project or up to \$350,000 to implement an “Engaging Men” Project depending on availability of overall funding for the program.

➤ **Contact:**

- For more information, please call OVW at (202) 307-6026 or visit <http://www.justice.gov/ovw/grant-programs#cgpa>.

U.S. Department of Justice – OVW Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies and Enforcement of Protection Orders Program

This program encourages state, local, and tribal governments and state, local, and tribal courts to treat domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking as serious violations of criminal law requiring the coordinated involvement of the entire criminal justice system.

➤ **Additional Information:**

- Program focuses for use of funds include:
 - Implement pro-arrest programs and policies in police departments, including policies for protection order violations and enforcement of protection orders across state and tribal lines;
 - 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 sexual assault, domestic violence, dating

violence, and stalking. Policies, educational programs, protection order registries, and training described in this purpose area shall incorporate confidentiality, and privacy protections for victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking;

- Centralize and coordinate police enforcement, prosecution, or judicial responsibility for sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking cases in teams or units of police officers, prosecutors, parole and probation officers, or judges;
- Coordinate computer tracking systems and provide the appropriate training about sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking to ensure communication between police, prosecutors, parole and probation officers, and both criminal and family courts;
- Strengthen legal advocacy service programs and other victim services for victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking, including strengthening assistance to such victims in immigration matters;
- 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 sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking and improve judicial handling of such cases;
- 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;
- Develop or strengthen policies and training for police, prosecutors, and the judiciary in recognizing, investigating, and prosecuting instances of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking against older individuals and individuals with disabilities;
- Develop state, tribal, territorial, or local policies, procedures, and protocols for preventing dual arrests and prosecutions in cases of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking, and develop effective methods for identifying the pattern and history of abuse that indicates which party is the actual perpetrator of abuse;
- Plan, develop and establish comprehensive victim service and support 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;
- 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;
- Develop, enhance and maintain protection order registries; and
- Develop human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) testing programs for sexual assault perpetrators and notification and counseling protocols.
- 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 sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking;
- Develop or strengthen policies, protocols, and training for law enforcement, prosecutors, and the judiciary in recognizing, investigating, and prosecuting instances of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking against immigrant victims;
 - Develop and promote state, local, or tribal legislation and policies that enhance best practices for responding to the crimes of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking, including the appropriate treatment of victims;
 - Develop, implement, or enhance sexual assault nurse examiner programs or sexual assault forensic examiner programs, including the hiring and training of such examiners;
 - Develop, implement, or enhance Sexual Assault Response Teams or similar coordinated community responses to sexual assault;
 - 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;
 - Provide human immunodeficiency virus testing programs, counseling, and prophylaxis for victims of sexual assault;
 - Identify and inventory backlogs of sexual assault evidence collection kits and develop protocols for responding to and addressing such backlogs, including policies and protocols for notifying and involving victims; and
 - Develop multidisciplinary high-risk teams focusing on reducing domestic violence and dating violence homicides by–
 - Using evidence-based indicators to assess the risk of homicide and link high-risk victims to immediate crisis intervention services;
 - Identifying and managing high-risk offenders; and
 - Providing ongoing victim advocacy and referrals to comprehensive services including legal, housing, health care, and economic assistance.
- **Eligible Applicants:**
- States and territories
 - Units of local government
 - Indian tribal governments
 - State, local, tribal, and territorial courts
- **Matching Funds:**
- While OVW discretionary grant programs do not require matching funds, applicants are encouraged to maximize the impact of federal dollars by contributing to the costs of their projects. Supplemental contributions may be cash, in-kind services, or a combination of both.
- **Award Amounts:**
- Awards are typically up to \$900,000 depending on service area population and availability of overall funding for the program.
- **Contact:**
- For more information, please call OVW at (202) 307-6026 or visit <http://www.justice.gov/ovw/grant-programs#cgpa>.

U.S. Department of Justice – OVW Grants to Enhance Culturally Specific Services for Victims of Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking Program

This program supports the development of innovative culturally specific strategies and projects to enhance access to services and resources for victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking.

➤ **Additional Information:**

- Funds can be used for the following purposes:
 - Increasing communities' capacity to provide culturally specific resources and support for victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking crimes and their families;
 - Enhancing traditional services to victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking through the leadership of culturally specific programs offering services to victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking;
 - Working in cooperation with the community to develop education and prevention strategies highlighting culturally specific issues and resources regarding victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking;
 - Providing culturally specific resources and services that address the safety, economic, housing, and workplace needs of victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, including emergency assistance;
 - Providing culturally specific programs for children exposed to sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking;
 - Working with State and local governments and social service agencies to develop and enhance effective strategies to provide culturally specific services to victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking;
 - Strengthening criminal justice interventions, by providing training for law enforcement, prosecution, courts, probation, and correctional facilities on culturally specific responses to sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking;
 - Examining the dynamics of culture and its impact on victimization and healing.

➤ **Eligible Applicants:**

- Community-based programs whose primary purpose is providing culturally specific services

➤ **Matching Funds:**

- While OVW discretionary grant programs do not require matching funds, applicants are encouraged to maximize the impact of federal dollars by contributing to the costs of their projects. Supplemental contributions may be cash, in-kind services, or a combination of both.

➤ **Award Amounts:**

- Awards are typically up to \$300,000 for each successful project depending on availability of overall funding for the program.

➤ **Contact:**

- For more information, please call OVW at (202) 307-6026 or visit <http://www.justice.gov/ovw/grant-programs#cgpa>.

U.S. Department of Justice – OVW Grants for Outreach and Services to Underserved Populations

This program supports the development and implementation of strategies targeted at adult or youth victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking in underserved populations, and victim services to meet the needs of such populations.

➤ **Additional Information:**

- This program focuses on providing funds to projects that are aimed at:
 - Working with federal, state, tribal, territorial and local governments, agencies, and organizations to develop or enhance population specific services;
 - Strengthening the capacity of underserved populations to provide population specific services;
 - Strengthening the capacity of traditional victim service providers to provide population specific services; or
 - Working in cooperation with an underserved population to develop and implement outreach, education, prevention, and intervention strategies that highlight available resources and the specific issues faced by victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking from underserved populations.

➤ **Eligible Applicants:**

- Nonprofit organizations that serve populations traditionally underserved due to geographic location, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, underserved racial and ethnic populations, and populations underserved because of special needs (such as language barriers, disabilities, alienage status, or age).
- Eligibility may be limited to only current Culturally and Linguistically Specific Services and Sexual Assault Services – Cultural Program grant recipients and sub-recipients that are no longer eligible under these programs and that will require funding to continue their projects, although this specification may change in later rounds.

➤ **Matching Funds:**

- While OVW discretionary grant programs do not require matching funds, applicants are encouraged to maximize the impact of federal dollars by contributing to the costs of their projects. Supplemental contributions may be cash, in-kind services, or a combination of both.

➤ **Contact Information:**

- For more information, please call OVW at (202) 307-6026 or visit <http://www.justice.gov/ovw/grant-programs#cgpa>.

U.S. Department of Justice – OVW Legal Assistance for Victims Grant Program

This program strengthens civil and criminal legal assistance programs for adult and youth victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking who are seeking relief in legal matters relating to or arising out of that abuse or violence.

➤ **Additional Information:**

- Funding for this program will be focused on projects:
 - To implement, expand, and establish cooperative efforts and projects between sexual assault, domestic violence, and dating violence victim service providers and legal assistance providers to provide legal assistance for victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking.
 - To implement, expand, and establish efforts and projects to provide legal assistance for victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking by organizations with a demonstrated history of providing direct legal or advocacy services on behalf of these victims.
 - To implement, expand, and establish efforts and projects to provide competent, supervised pro bono legal assistance for victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, except that not more than 10 percent of the funds awarded under this section may be used for that purpose.

➤ **Eligible Applicants:**

- Private nonprofit entities
- Territorial organizations
- Indian tribal governments and tribal organizations
- Publicly funded organizations not acting in a governmental capacity, such as law schools

➤ **Matching Funds:**

- While OVW discretionary grant programs do not require matching funds, applicants are encouraged to maximize the impact of federal dollars by contributing to the costs of their projects. Supplemental contributions may be cash, in-kind services, or a combination of both.

➤ **Award Amounts:**

- Awards are typically up to \$500,000 for each successful project depending on availability of overall funding for the program.

➤ **Contact Information:**

- For more information, please call OVW at (202) 307-6026 or visit <http://www.justice.gov/ovw/grant-programs#cgpa>.

U.S. Department of Justice – OVW Rural Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking Assistance Program

This program enhances the safety of rural victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking, and supports projects uniquely designed to address and prevent these crimes in rural areas.

➤ **Additional Information:**

- Funds under the Rural Program may be used for the following purposes:
 - To identify, assess, and appropriately respond to child, youth, and adult victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking in rural areas or rural communities, by encouraging collaboration among sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking victim service providers; law enforcement agencies; prosecutors; courts; other criminal justice service providers; human and community service providers; educational institutions; and health care providers, including sexual assault forensic examiners;
 - To establish and expand nonprofit, nongovernmental, state, tribal, territorial, and local government victim services in rural areas or rural communities to child, youth, and adult victims; and/or
 - To increase the safety and well-being of women and children in rural areas or rural communities by dealing directly and immediately with sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking occurring in rural areas or rural communities; and creating and implementing strategies to increase awareness and prevent sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence and/or stalking.

➤ **Eligible Applicants:**

- States
- Territories
- Indian tribes
- Local governments
- Nonprofit entities, including tribal nonprofit organizations
- To be eligible to receive Rural Program funding, an applicant must demonstrate that it proposes to serve a rural area or rural community, which is further defined on page 6 of the following link:
<http://www.justice.gov/sites/default/files/ovw/legacy/2013/12/18/fy-2014-rural-solicitation.pdf> (FY2014 solicitation).
- For the FY2014 grant solicitation, eligibility was limited to current grant recipients, although this requirement may change for future solicitations.

➤ **Matching Funds:**

- While OVW discretionary grant programs do not require matching funds, applicants are encouraged to maximize the impact of federal dollars by contributing to the costs of their projects. Supplemental contributions may be cash, in-kind services, or a combination of both.

➤ **Contact Information:**

- For more information, please call OVW at (202) 307-6026 or visit <http://www.justice.gov/ovw/grant-programs#cgpa>.

U.S. Department of Justice – OVW Training and Services to End Violence Against Women with Disabilities Grant Program

This program increases organizational capacity to provide accessible, safe and effective services to individuals with disabilities who are victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking.

➤ **Additional Information:**

- The goal of the disability grant program is to create sustainable change within and between organizations that result in accessible and effective services for individuals with disabilities who are victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, etc.

➤ **Eligible Applicants:**

- Applicants are limited to the following:
 - States
 - Units of local governments
 - Indian tribal governments
 - Tribal organizations
 - Victim services providers such as domestic violence or sexual assault coalitions
 - Nongovernmental organizations serving individuals with disabilities.

➤ **Award Amounts:**

- Applicants should consider carefully the resources needed to successfully implement the proposed project and present a realistic budget that accurately reflects project costs.
- OVW has the discretion to award grants for greater or lesser amounts than requested and to negotiate the scope of work and budget with applicants prior to award of a grant.
- Funding levels under the most recent solicitation (FY 2014) were as follows:
 - New, local-focused project \$425,000
 - New, state-focused project \$550,000
 - Continuation, local-focused, \$350,000
 - Continuation, state-focused \$400,000

➤ **Contact Information:**

- For more information, please contact OVW at (202)307-6026 or visit <http://www.justice.gov/sites/default/files/ovw/legacy/2013/01/10/disability-grant-prog-fy13.pdf>

U.S. Department of Justice – OVW Sexual Assault Services Culturally Specific Program

This program creates, maintains, and expands sustainable sexual assault services provided by organizations that are uniquely situated to respond to the needs of sexual assault victims from culturally specific populations.

➤ **Additional Information:**

- Intervention services and related assistance may include, but are not necessarily limited to:
 - Crisis intervention, short-term individual and group support, information, and referral services;
 - Accompaniment and advocacy services;
 - Culturally specific approaches to healing;
 - Comprehensive service coordination and supervision;
 - Outreach activities to culturally specific communities; and
 - Development and distribution of informational materials on issues related to sexual assault services provided by the agency.

➤ **Eligible Applicants:**

- Nonprofit organizations that focus primarily on culturally specific communities

➤ **Matching Funds:**

- While OVW discretionary grant programs do not require matching funds, applicants are encouraged to maximize the impact of federal dollars by contributing to the costs of their projects. Supplemental contributions may be cash, in-kind services, or a combination of both.

➤ **Award Amounts:**

- Awards are typically up to \$325,000 for each successful project depending on availability of overall funding for the program.

➤ **Contact Information:**

- For more information, please call OVW at (202) 307-6026 or visit <http://www.justice.gov/ovw/grant-programs#cgpa>.

U.S. Department of Justice – OVW Grants to Tribal Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Coalitions Program

This program supports the development of nonprofit, nongovernmental tribal domestic violence and sexual assault coalitions in order to provide education, support, and technical assistance to enhance responses to victims of domestic, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking.

➤ **Additional Information:**

- The objective of this program is to increase awareness of domestic violence and sexual assault against American Indian and Alaska Native women.

- **Eligible Applicants:**
 - Tribal coalitions that meet the criteria of a tribal coalition under 24 U.S.C. 13925(a), provide services to Indian tribes, and are recognized by the Office on Violence Against Women are eligible to apply.
- **Matching Funds:**
 - A match is not required for this grant program; however applicants are encouraged to maximize the impact of Federal grant dollars by contributing the costs of their project.
- **Award Amounts:**
 - Each recognized coalition will receive an equal share of available funds.
- **Contact Information:**
 - For more information, please contact OVW at (202) 307-6026 or visit <http://www.justice.gov/ovw/grant-programs#cgpa>.

U.S. Department of Justice – OVW Tribal Governments Program

This program enhances the ability of tribes to respond to violent crimes against Indian women, enhance victim safety and develop education and prevention strategies.

- **Additional Information:**
 - Applications for the Tribal Governments Program are submitted through the DOJ Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation.
- **Eligible Applicants:**
 - Eligible applicants are federally-recognized Indian tribes or an organization that is acting as the authorized designee of a federally-recognized Indian tribe.
- **Award Amounts:**
 - New applicants may apply for up to \$450,000. There is no limit on funding for current grantees, but OVW anticipates that it will not make awards for over \$900,000.
- **Contact Information:**
 - For more information, please contact OVW at (202) 307-6026 or visit <http://www.justice.gov/ovw/grant-programs#cgpa>.

U.S. Department of Justice – OVW Tribal Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP)

This program provides funding directly to tribes, tribal organizations, and nonprofit tribal organizations to create, maintain, and expand sustainable sexual assault services. Tribal agencies, organizations, and nonprofits provide critical and culturally relevant services that are specifically responsive to the needs of sexual assault victims within tribal communities.

- **Eligible Applicants:**
 - Eligible applicants are limited to the following:
 - Federally-recognized Indian tribes
 - Tribal organizations
 - Nonprofit tribal organizations

➤ **Matching Funds:**

- While OVW discretionary grant programs do not require matching funds, applicants are encouraged to maximize the impact of federal dollars by contributing to the costs of their projects. Supplemental contributions may be cash, in-kind services, or a combination of both.

➤ **Award Amounts:**

- The Awards under the Tribal SASP for the most recent solicitation (FY 2014) were for up to \$325,000.
- OVW has the discretion to award grants for greater or lesser amounts than requested and to negotiate the scope of work and budget with applicants prior to award of a grant.

➤ **Contact Information:**

- For more information, please contact OVW at (202) 307-6026 or visit <http://www.justice.gov/ovw/grant-programs#cgpa>.

U.S. Department of Justice – Office of Justice Programs’ Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) State and Local Program

This program is the primary provider of federal criminal justice funding to state and local jurisdictions. JAG funding can be used to support a broad range of state and local government projects, including those designed to prevent and control crime and to improve the criminal justice system.

➤ **Additional Information:**

- To ensure that each state and territory receives an appropriate share of JAG funds, allocation to state and local governments is based on a formula using population and crime statistics in combination with a minimum allocation.
- Funds are split 60/40 between state and local recipients within states.
- In New York, Byrne JAG funds received by the state are appropriated in the state's annual budget and directed to support projects identified by the Legislature and the Governor.
- A portion of the funds may be awarded by the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services via a competitive solicitation.

➤ **Eligible Applicants:**

- Municipal governments
- Tribes
- Community-and faith-based groups

➤ **Additional Information on Local Eligibility:**

Certain local governments are eligible to apply to OJS for a direct allocation. Applicants are limited to units of local government appearing on the FY 2014 JAG Allocations List. To view this list, go to www.bja.gov/programs/jag/14jagallocations.html. For JAG Program purposes, a unit of local government is: a town, township, village, parish, city, county, borough, or other general purpose political subdivision of a state; or, it may also be a federally recognized Indian tribe that performs law enforcement functions (as determined by the Secretary of the Interior). Local award allocations are based on a jurisdiction's

proportion of the state's 3-year violent crime average. If a local jurisdiction's calculated award is less than \$10,000, the funds are returned to the state to distribute. If the calculated local award is \$10,000 or more, then the local government is eligible to apply for an award. For more information on how the local allocation formula is calculated, please visit <https://www.bja.gov/Publications/JAGTechRpt.pdf>.

➤ **Additional Guidelines:**

New York State and the federal government have established the following guidelines concerning the use of Byrne JAG funds:

- Byrne JAG funds must be used to supplement existing funds for program activities and cannot replace, or supplant, nonfederal funds that have been appropriated for the same purpose.
- Byrne JAG funds cannot be used to fund security enhancements or to purchase equipment by nongovernmental entities not engaged in criminal justice or public safety directly or indirectly.
- Byrne JAG funds cannot be used to purchase vehicles (excluding police cruisers), vessels (excluding police boats), or aircraft (excluding police helicopters); luxury items; real estate; or for construction projects, other than penal or correctional institutions.

➤ **Eligible Uses of Funds:**

JAG funds can be used for state and local initiatives, technical assistance, training, personnel, equipment, supplies, contractual support, and information systems for criminal justice for any one or more of the following purpose areas:

- law enforcement programs;
- prosecution and court programs;
- prevention and education programs;
- corrections and community corrections programs;
- drug treatment programs;
- planning, evaluation, and technology improvement programs; and
- Crime victim and witness programs (other than compensation)

➤ **Contact Information:**

- For more information, please visit <http://www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/ofpa/jagmain.htm> or https://www.bja.gov/ProgramDetails.aspx?Program_ID=59 or
- Contact the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services, which oversees the state's JAG Program (<http://ojp.gov/saa/ny.htm>) at:
 - Anne Marie Strano
New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services Alfred E. Smith Office Building
80 South Swan Street
Albany, NY 12210
Phone: 518-457-8462
Fax: 518-457-1186
Email: AnneMarie.Strano@dcjs.ny.gov

U.S. Department of Justice – National Institute of Justice’s (NIJ) Research and Evaluation on Violence Against Women: Teen Dating Violence, Sexual Violence and Intimate Partner Violence Program

This program sponsors research to provide objective, independent, evidence-based knowledge and tools to meet the challenges of crime and justice, particularly at State and local levels.

- **Additional Information:**
 - This program takes interest in proposals to understand adolescent relationship abuse and in researching the effectiveness of policies and programs intended to prevent or respond to teen dating violence.
- **Eligible Applicants:**
 - NIJ is authorized to make grants or enter into contracts with States (including territories), units of local governments (including federally recognized Indian tribal organizations as determined by the Secretary of the Interior), nonprofit and for-profit organizations, higher education institutions and certain qualified individuals.
- **Matching Funds:**
 - A grant made by NIJ through this program may account for up to 100 percent of the total cost of the project.
 - The application should indicate whether it is feasible for the applicant to contribute cash, facilities or services as non-Federal support for the project.
 - The application should identify generally any such contributions that the applicant expects to make and the proposed budget should indicate in detail which items, if any, will be supported with non-Federal contributions.
 - If a successful application proposes a voluntary match amount, and OJP approves the budget, the total match amount incorporated into the approved budget becomes mandatory and subject to audit.
- **Contact Information:**
 - For assistance with any other requirements of this program, email NIJ at VAW_Research@ojp.usdoj.gov.
 - For general information on applying for NIJ awards, please visit www.nij.gov/funding/pages/welcome.aspx or the frequently asked questions page at www.nij.gov/funding/pages/faqs.aspx.

U.S. Department of Justice – Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Hiring Program (CHP)

This program provides funding directly to law enforcement agencies to hire and/or rehire career law enforcement officers in an effort to increase their community policing capacity and crime prevention efforts

➤ **Additional Information:**

- CHP grant funding will be based on an agency's current entry-level salary and fringe benefits for full-time sworn officers. Any additional costs for higher than entry-level salaries and fringe benefits will be the responsibility of the grantee agency.
- All agencies' requests will be capped at no more than 5 percent of their actual sworn force strength as reported on the date of application.
- Agencies with a service population of 1 million or more may apply for up to 25 officer positions; agencies with a service population of less than 1 million may apply for up to 15 officer positions.
- Funding under this program may be used to:
 - Hire new officers, which includes filling existing officer vacancies that are no longer funded in your agency's budget. These positions must be in addition to your current budgeted (funded) level of sworn officer positions, and the officers must be hired on or after the official grant award start date as it is listed on your agency's award document.
 - Rehire officers laid off by any jurisdiction as a result of state, local, or Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) budget cuts. The rehired officers must be rehired on or after the official grant award start date as it appears on your agency's award document. Documentation must be maintained showing the date(s) that the positions were laid off and rehired.
 - Rehire officers who are (at the time of application) currently scheduled to be laid off by your jurisdiction on a specific future date as a result of state, local, or BIA budget cuts. Grantees will be required to continue funding the positions with local funding until the date(s) of the scheduled lay-offs. The dates of the scheduled lay-offs and the number of positions affected must be identified in the CHP application. In addition, documentation must be maintained detailing the dates and reason(s) for the lay-offs. Furthermore, agencies awarded will be required to maintain documentation that demonstrates that the scheduled lay-offs are occurring for local economic reasons unrelated to the availability of CHP grant funds; such documentation may include local council meeting minutes, memoranda, notices, or orders discussing the lay-offs, budget documents ordering jurisdiction-wide budget cuts, and/or notices provided to the individual officers regarding the lay-offs.

➤ **Match Requirements and Award Amount:**

- CHP grants will cover up to 75 percent of the approved entry-level salary and fringe benefits of each newly-hired and/or rehired, full-time sworn career law enforcement officer over the three-year (36 months) grant period, with a minimum 25 percent local cash match requirement and maximum share of \$125,000 per officer position.

➤ **Eligible Applicants:**

- All local, state, and tribal law enforcement agencies that have primary law enforcement authority are eligible to apply.

➤ **Contact Information:**

- For more information, please call (800) 421-6770 or email askCopsRC@usdoj.gov or visit the following site: <http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/Default.asp?Item=2367>.

U.S. Department of Justice – Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Community Policing Development Grants

This program provides funding that supports innovative community policing strategies, applied research, and best practice sharing.

Community Policing Development (CPD) Grants:

Again, campus law enforcement agencies are eligible. Under this pot of funding, campus law enforcement agencies would propose a specific project or program to work on with federal funds. The topics could be anything, including a program to combat campus sexual assault. CPD funds are not typically used to hire personnel or purchase equipment. These are projects. Only personnel and equipment incidental to the project or program are permitted and under limited circumstances. Exact grant conditions are located on the COPS website in the application guide for the Community Policing Development Grants.

➤ **Additional Information:**

- It is not expected or anticipated that the proposed project accomplishes more than one of the following goals:
 - Develop Knowledge: Develop new knowledge or leverage existing knowledge about community policing activities and strategies that show promise.
 - Increase Awareness: Increase the number of agencies/individuals who are aware of the most effective community policing strategies.
 - Increase Skills/Abilities: Increase the skills and/or abilities of law enforcement agencies, relevant stakeholders, and/or individuals to engage in proven community policing practices.
 - Increase Practice: Increase the number of law enforcement agencies, relevant stakeholders, and/or individuals using proven community policing practices.
 - Institutionalize Practice: Increase the number of law enforcement agencies, relevant stakeholders, and/or individuals that systematically use and integrate proven community policing strategies as part of their routine business and will continue to engage in these practices for the foreseeable future.

➤ **Match Requirements and Award Amount:**

- CPD grants do not require a match.

➤ **Eligible Applicants:**

- All public governmental agencies, profit or nonprofit institutions, universities, community groups and faith-based organizations are eligible to apply.
- Applications that represent partnerships between law enforcement agencies and university and nonprofit institutions are encouraged.

➤ **Contact Information:**

- For programmatic assistance, please call the COPS Office Response Center at (800) 421-6770 or send questions via email to AskCopsRC@usdoj.gov.

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services – Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s (CDC) Rape Prevention and Education (RPE) Program

This program provides funding to states to implement sexual assault prevention programming that include preventing first-time perpetration and victimization, reducing modifiable risk factors while enhancing factors associated with sexual violence perpetration and victimization, using the best available evidence when planning, implementing, and evaluating prevention programs, using population-based surveillance to inform program decisions and monitor trends, and evaluating prevention efforts and using the results to improve future program plans.

➤ **Additional Information:**

- RPE grantees are currently engaged in a range of activities from implementing prevention strategies that are culturally relevant and based on the best available evidence to conducting educational seminars, professional training, and leveraging resources through partnerships.
 - The RPE program encourages the development of comprehensive prevention strategies through a continuum of activities that address all levels of the social ecological model. The model considers the complex interplay between individual, relationship, community and societal factors, and addresses risk and protective factors from multiple domains. This approach is more likely to prevent sexual violence across a lifetime than any single intervention.
 - Grantees are also:
 - Implementing primary prevention strategies such as engaging bystanders, educating youth about healthy relationships, and changing social norms;
 - Operating statewide and community hotlines;
 - Building state and local capacity for program planning, implementation, and evaluation;
 - Implementing their state sexual violence primary prevention plan; and
 - Assessing state system and local organization evaluation capacity.
 - While evidence of effective sexual violence prevention strategies is emerging, CDC's Injury Center provides tools, training and technical assistance to RPE grantees for understanding the continuum of evidence and making evidence-based decisions.
 - In addition, states are assessing the capacity of state and local organizations to collect evaluation data about their prevention strategies and use that data to improve what they are doing.
 - RPE grantees convene diverse sexual assault prevention teams to guide implementation of their state sexual violence prevention plans. These partnerships have strengthened the state sexual violence prevention system and have resulted in expanded resources and new prevention opportunities. In addition, implementation of the plans' goals and objectives is expanding the traditional focus of state and local efforts on victim services to include primary prevention practices.
- ### ➤ **Eligible Applicants:**
- States and Territories, as well as the District of Columbia, are eligible to apply for funding.

➤ **Award Amounts:**

- Funds are distributed according to a formula, whereby all 50 states and DC, as well as Territories, receive a base amount of funding (\$150,000 for states and \$35,000 for territories) and then additional funding based on population.
- Each state funds other entities and domestic violence coalitions for the implementation of state sexual assault prevention and education plans.

➤ **Contact Information:**

- For more information on New York State's RPE allocation, please contact:
 - Ann-Margaret Foley
Sexual Violence Prevention Program Unit
Bureau of Maternal and Child Health
New York State Department of Health
Corning Tower Bldg, Room 821
Albany, NY 12237
Phone: (518) 474-3668
Email: Ann-Margret.Foley@health.ny.gov
- The following link also provides contact information for state and territorial sexual violence prevention coalitions: <http://www.nsvrc.org/organizations/state-and-territory-coalitions>.

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services – Administration for Children & Families' (ACF) Family and Youth Services Bureau's Family Violence Prevention Services Act (FVPSA) Program

This program is the primary federal funding stream dedicated to the support of emergency shelter and related assistance for victims of domestic and dating violence and their children.

➤ **Additional Information:**

- The FVPSA program funds domestic violence support and assistance programs that provide victims of domestic and dating violence and their children with:
 - Shelter
 - Safety planning
 - Crisis counseling
 - Information and referral
 - Legal advocacy
 - Additional support services
- This program awards formula grants to States, Territories and Tribes, State domestic violence coalitions, and national and special-issue resource centers. These funds are divvied up roughly along the following percentages: 70% for State and Territory formula grants; 10% for Tribal formula grants; 10% for State domestic violence coalition grants; 6% for national and special-issue resource centers; 2.5% for evaluation, monitoring and administration; and 1.5% for discretionary grant programs.
- New York State's FVPSA allocation is overseen by the New York State Office of Children and Family Services. This allocation is split into non-competitive grants and

competitive grants. Non-competitive grants are typically awarded to domestic violence programs in smaller counties, while competitive grants are based on county poverty rates, type of model, county Child Protective Services reporting rates, regional office ratings, and racial equity and cultural competence.

➤ **Contact Information:**

- For more information on applying for subgrants from New York State’s FVPSA allocation, please contact the New York State Office of Children and Family Services at (518) 473-7793 or at the following website:
<http://www.ocfs.state.ny.us/main/contact/default.asp>.
- You may also contact the New York State Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence at (518) 457-5800 or at the following website:
<http://www.opdv.state.ny.us/contact.html>.
- You may also find information on the New York State Coalition Against Domestic Violence by visiting the following site <http://www.nyscadv.org/>.

International Association of Chiefs of Police – Trauma Informed Sexual Assault Investigation Training

With the support of the U.S. Department of Justice’s Office of Violence Against Women, the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) has launched this program to provide law enforcement agencies with on-site Trauma Informed Sexual Assault Investigation trainings.

➤ **Additional Information:**

- These trainings provide a comprehensive look at how law enforcement agencies can be sensitive to survivors’ needs and avoid re-traumatization while employing the most effective methods to investigate crimes.
- Too often, a lack of understanding about how victims of violence react to trauma leads police officers to wrongly dismiss the accounts of survivors, which is why IACP’s trainings also include detailed lessons on how trauma can negatively impact survivors’ memory, reactions, and demeanor when recounting how they were abused or attacked.

➤ **Contact Information:**

- For more information on this program and to learn how to apply for training, please visit the following site: <http://www.theiacp.org/Trauma-Informed-Sexual-Assault-Investigation-Training>.

Letters of Support from Senator Gillibrand

While Senator Gillibrand does NOT decide which organizations are awarded grants or other federal funding, there are instances in which it is appropriate for the Senator to write a letter of support for an application. If you wish to request a letter of support for your application, you must supply Senator Gillibrand with the following:

1. A description of your organization,
2. A summary of the application,
3. A description of what the money will be used for, and
4. A draft letter of support

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