FY 2018
Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)
Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Grant Programs
Guidance for Potential Applicants

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Introduction and Agenda Overview

- Purpose of Funding
- How to Apply
- Grantee Selection Process
- Overview of JAG Grant Program
- Overview of STOP VAWA Grant Program
- Application Components
The Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS) is a division of the Ohio Department of Public Safety. By statute, OCJS is the lead justice planning and assistance office for the state, and is responsible for administering millions of dollars in state and federal criminal justice funding every year.
JAG Funding

Established by 2005 omnibus spending measure

Administered by U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance

Allows states and local governments to support a broad range of criminal justice activities
Administered by the Office of Justice Programs, Violence Against Women Office within the U.S. Department of Justice.

Emphasizes the implementation of coordinated community approaches and comprehensive strategies to address domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.
How to Apply

Read the 2018 RFPs
Verify organization eligibility
Develop project strategy
Write application
Submit application

Applicants must submit an electronic version through www.ocjsgrants.com
Eligibility

- A unit of local government
- State agencies, state-supported universities
- Statewide and local nonprofit or faith-based associations

FOR JAG: Projects implemented by courts, law enforcement agencies, and mental health boards may not act as their own subgrantees
Eligibility

- Ohio Incident-Based Reporting System or Uniform Crime Reporting Summary System, per Ohio Revised Code Section 5502.62(C)(6).

- Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act

- System for Award Management Profile (SAM.gov)
Project Strategy

- **Evidence-based Practices**
  - *For individual programs please see links listed in RFP*

- Provide a detailed discussion on how an evidence-based practice or a program exhibiting a best practice in the field will be implemented. For examples visit [www.ocjs.ohio.gov/ebp.stm](http://www.ocjs.ohio.gov/ebp.stm)
Funding

- All costs must directly relate to the goals and objectives of the proposed project
- OCJS reserves the right to modify project budgets or provide partial funding
- Receiving previous funding does not guarantee funding for this year
- Funding of projects through OCJS is subject to availability of federal pass-through funding resources

- **FUNDING CAP - a maximum of $60,000 in VAWA funds**
Format and Submission
Submission

- The deadline for submission is:
  - Proposals must be in Application Submitted status by 5 p.m. EST. on May 31, 2018

- Applications received after this date and time will be classified as late \textit{and} will \textit{not} be considered for funding.
Grantee Selection Process

- Internal Compliance Review
- Outside Peer Review
- Internal Subject Matter Expert
- OCJS Director’s Review
Application: For technical assistance on any part of the application process, call OCJS at: 614.466.7782 or 888.448.4842.

Award: If awarded, notifications will be mailed electronically via the OCJS grants management system to selected projects; and before final approval, all required forms and pre-award conditions must be completed and returned to OCJS through the grants management system. All awards will be for 12 months of funding, operating from January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019.
JAG Program Areas

- Drug Law Enforcement Task Force (A01)
- Law Enforcement Programs (A02)
- Crime Prevention Programs (B01)
JAG Program Areas

- Adult and Juvenile Corrections, Community Correction and Reentry Programs (C01)
- Victim Services Programs (D01)
- Specialized dockets, Courts, Defense and Prosecution (D02)
- Cross-agency and Cross-system collaboration, Training and Research (E01)
First two years: OCJS funds 75% of total operating costs with a 25% match.

Third year: OCJS funds 50% of total operating costs and agencies supply a 50% match.

Fourth year OCJS funds 25% of total operating costs and agencies supply 75% match.
JAG – Match

JAG projects may provide a match for projects, however match is not required.

Match may be waived. To submit a match waiver letter, please upload it in the Collaboration Board section of the application forms.
STOP VAWA

- Services
- Training
- Officers
- Prosecutors
STOP VAWA Requirements

**Non victim service agencies**
- Upload a signed Attachment A affirming consultation with state or local victim service providers during the development of the proposal.

**Collaboration Boards**
- Law Enforcement
- Prosecution
- Courts
- Victim Service Providers
- Underserved and Culturally Specific Community-based Organizations
- Any other relevant service providers.

The signed Attachment A and Collaboration Board letters are uploaded in the Collaboration Board section of the online application.
The STOP VAWA grant program contains twenty purpose areas of which nineteen are applicable to Ohio.

A detailed list is provided in the 2018 VAWA Request for Proposal and the state’s STOP VAWA Implementation Plan (2017-2020).
STOP VAWA Program Areas

- VA1 Training
- VA2 Enhancement Efforts
- VA3 Policy and Protocol Development
- VA4 Data Collection and Communication Systems
- VA5 Victim Service Programs and Visitation Centers
- VA6 Stalking Programs
- VA7 Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANE)
10% of the funds from the victim service category must go to culturally specific community-based organizations.

Funds awarded from the court category must be awarded “to” courts rather than “for” courts.

20% of funds granted to the state shall be allocated for projects in two or more federal allocation categories that meaningfully address sexual assault.
Culturally Specific Services are community-based services that include culturally relevant and linguistically specific services and resources to culturally specific communities.

**Refer to page 10 of the RFP**
STOP VAWA Match

STOP VAWA projects are required to provide 25% cash or in-kind match of the total project cost.

Non-profit victim service providers who are funded out of the victim service allocation are not required to provide match.
The Problem Statement defines the fundamental problem that the applicant is addressing, and provides a compelling logical reason why the applicant’s proposal should be supported.
Specific to VAWA applications

Applicants must describe a target population to be served; and to identify at least one underserved population that will be targeted for outreach and services.
VAWA underserved populations include geographic location (rural isolation), underserved racial and ethnic populations, special needs populations (language barriers, disabilities, alienage, or age); or any other population determined to be underserved by the U.S. Attorney General or by the Secretary of Health and Human Services, as appropriate.

All projects must identify at least one underserved population.
What is the underserved population your project will serve?
- Avoid identifying “all” victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking as underserved.

Why is this population currently underserved?
- What are the barriers to services for the populations?
- Are the underserved populations attempting to access services? If not, then why not?

How will the project meet the needs of the underserved population?
- What efforts will or are occurring to promote eliminating barriers to accessing services; and help increase the utilization of services for underserved populations?
Describe whether the population(s) identified are:

- **Unserved**: populations that have no services available to them.

- **Underserved**: Populations that have minimal access and are in need of more outreach and support.

- **Inadequately served**: Historically marginalized populations that may be overrepresented, but remain inadequately served with specific reference to the quality of service and a “one-size-fits-all” approach.
Project Description

- Describes the model
- Describes the evidence
- Describes the activities
- Describes the impact
Objectives

Objective

Performance Indicator

Baseline

Data Collection
Objectives

SMART
Specific
Measurable
Attainable
Relevant
Time bound
Objectives

Process
- internal
- agency

Outcome
- external
- target population
Identifies activities from the beginning to the end of the project.

- Program activities
- Grants administration and program reporting activities
- Data collection activities
- Collaboration activities
Collaboration Boards
Additional Questions?

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