

OVC FY 2021 Services for Minor Victims of Labor Trafficking

CFDA # 16.320

Grants.gov Solicitation Number: O-OVC-2021-63002

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Please have a copy of the solicitation available to follow along and take notes.



Presenter





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Webinar Outline



- 1. OVC Overview and Mission
- 2. Breakdown of the solicitation
 - Project Purpose, Goal, and Objectives
 - Eligibility
 - Application and Award Timelines
 - Required Documents
- 3. Application Process
- 4. Questions and Answers



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OVC Overview



Mission: OVC is committed to enhancing the Nation's capacity to assist crime victims and to providing leadership in changing policies and practices to promote justice and healing for all victims of crime.

OVC funding supports: victims in tribal communities; state victim compensation and assistance programs; training and technical assistance and information resources; victims of international terrorism and mass violence; federal agencies' provision of victim services; survivors of human trafficking; and demonstration and service projects.



Timeline



- □ Solicitation Closes: Friday, April 30, 2021
- □ DOJ expects to award grants no later than **September 30, 2021**
- □ All project **START** dates should be on or after **October 1, 2021***



*Please Note: Successful applicants MAY NOT begin work until the budget has been reviewed and officially approved by OJP. Additional information and or restrictions may be outlined in the award package.

Program Description



The <u>U.S. Department of Justice</u> (DOJ), <u>Office of Justice Programs</u> (OJP), <u>Office for Victims of Crime</u> (OVC), is seeking applications to support services for minor victims of labor trafficking throughout the United States. This program furthers the Department's mission by enhancing the field's response to victims of human trafficking.



Eligibility



The following entities are eligible to apply:	
	State governments
	City or township governments
	Public and State controlled institutions of higher education
	County governments
	Public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities
	Native American tribal organizations (other than federally recognized tribal governments)
	Native American tribal governments (federally recognized)
	Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education

For additional information on eligibility, please review the title page of the solicitation.

Goal



 To develop, expand, or strengthen victim service programs for minor victims of labor trafficking, including programs that provide trauma-informed and developmentally appropriate services.



Goal and Objective



Successful applicants will achieve this goal through the following objectives:

IDENTIFY CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Provide services to meet the individualized needs of minor victims of labor trafficking.

Collaborate with and train local partners to ensure minor victims of labor trafficking are properly identified and referred for appropriate services.

Provide assistance or referrals to other essential services for minor victims of labor trafficking.

Collect data and participate in assessment activities to determine if the program is meeting stated goals and objectives.



Deliverables



To achieve the above goals, applicants will be required to complete the following deliverables:

- □ <u>Services provided</u>: Measured quarterly by service-hour or units delivered, type of service, number of new and continuing victims served, and other key data points.
- Quarterly Performance Measures Data Collection: Award recipients will be required to submit performance measure data and a quarterly performance report in JustGrants.
- □ <u>Semiannual Progress Reports and Quarterly Financial Status</u> <u>Reports</u>



Unallowable Costs



The following activities cannot be supported with grant funds:

Holding Beds

Stipends/Incentives to Participate in Services

 Nominal cash or non-cash (e.g., taxi or ride share vouchers, public transportation tickets or tokens; money to pay for child care or gift cards for meals that are necessary when participants receive services) are allowable.

Primary Prevention Activities



Statutory Language



See the statutory language that applies to all awards under this solicitation:

Restrictions on Programs

Restriction on Organizations

Coordination with Law Enforcement



Federal Award Information



Maximum number of awards OVC expects to make: 3 Awards

Estimated maximum dollar amount for each award: \$665,000

Total amount anticipated to be awarded under solicitation: \$2 million

Period of Performance start date: 10/01/2021

Period of Performance duration: 36 Months

Type of Award



This award will be made as a **Grant**:

- Legal instrument of financial assistance
- Awarding agency maintains an oversight and monitoring role
- Without substantial involvement with awarding agency

See the "Administrative, National Policy, and Other Legal Requirements" section of the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide for more information.





Application and Submission Information



Applications MUST Include



These elements **MUST** be included in the application submission to meet the basic minimum requirements to advance to peer review and receive consideration for funding:

- Proposal Abstract
- Proposal Narrative
 - Statement of the Problem (20%)
 - Project Design and Implementation (35%)
 - Capabilities and Competencies (25%)
 - Plan for Collecting the Data for this Solicitation's Performance Measures (5%)
- Budget Worksheet including the Budget Narrative (10%)
 - Letters of Support, Letters of Intent, and MOUs and other project partners (5%)



Proposal Abstract



An abstract is a clear and simple summary statement about your proposal.

This statement should be no more than 400 words and should include:

- Name of the applicant
- Insert itemized goals of project

Proposal Narrative Format



The Proposal Narrative must:

- Be double-spaced
- Use a standard 12-point font (Times New Roman is preferred)
- Have no less than 1-inch margins
- NOT exceed 25 pages. Pages should be numbered "1 of 20," "2 of 20," etc.
- Be submitted as an attachment in JustGrants.



Proposal Narrative Format



The following sections are part of the Proposal Narrative:

- 1. Statement of the problem
- 2. Project design and implementation
- 3. Capabilities and competencies
- 4. Plan for collecting the data required for this solicitation's performance measures

Proposal Narrative: Statement of the Problem



This section must—

- 1. identify the nature and scope of the problem that the program will address.
- describe previous or current attempts to address the problem, including documentation of the number of labor trafficking victims served each year during 2018 and 2019 within the targeted geographic area.
- 3. describe the communities to be served.
- 4. describe current efforts to address the service needs of trafficking victims in the geographic area.



Proposal Narrative: Project Design and Implementation



This **section** should include goals, objectives and activities that are aligned with solicitation

- Be brief, concise, and clear.
- Make sure the information is consistent throughout your proposal.
- Create <u>solid</u> goals and <u>measurable</u> objectives:
 - Objectives should be SMART:
 - Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic, and Time-bound
- Focus on the future and setting a <u>realistic timeline</u> to complete the project.



Proposal Narrative: Capabilities and Competencies



This section must—

- 1. demonstrate the institutional experience and expertise to effectively implement the requirements of this solicitation.
- 2. demonstrate a history of providing services on behalf of children and youth, and a capacity to address the legal needs of minors, such as parental consent and housing.
- 3. identify the key individuals and organizations involved in the proposed project.
- 4. demonstrate that the individuals and organizations identified have the capacity to address the stated need, including the expertise necessary to provide services to labor trafficking victims, and can successfully implement the proposed project activities.



Proposal Narrative: Capabilities and Competencies (cont.)



- 5. describe specific roles and responsibilities of all project partners and key staff.
- 6. demonstrate that project staff have appropriate training and experience to implement project activities as described in the proposal, and document plans and position descriptions for staff to be hired. Organizational screening policies and procedures for staff working directly with minors should be detailed.
- 7. demonstrate the capacity and expertise of the lead applicant and all project partners to serve minor victims of labor trafficking.
- 8. clearly describe who will implement activities as described in the "Project Design and Implementation" section.
- 9. describe the applicant's experience managing federal grants that support services to crime victims, and document the applicant's administrative and financial capacity to manage federal grants.



Proposal Narrative: Plan for Collecting Data



- Who will be responsible for reporting the required performance measures?
- How will data be collected?
- Any additional performance metrics?
- What data sources will be used? Any legal, policy, or other barriers to gaining access?

Budget Worksheet and Budget Narrative



See the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide for additional information.

- ☐ Use the JustGrants web-based form.
- ☐ Personnel costs should relate to the key personnel for the project.
- ☐ The budget should include adequate funding to fully implement the project, broken out by year, reflecting 36 months.
- ☐ The budget should be mathematically sound and correspond with information described in the Proposal Narrative and aligned with the project design.

Applications Should Also Include



Along with the 3 required documents, the following information should be included in the application submission:

- Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424)
- Standard Application Information
- Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (if applicable)
- Financial Management and System of Internal Controls Questionnaire
- Disclosure of Process Related to Executive Compensation
- MOU and Other Supportive Documents
- Tribal Authorizing Resolution
- Research and Evaluation Independence and Integrity Statement
- Position Descriptions ad Resumes

- Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (SF-LLL)
- **DOJ Certified Standard Assurances**
- Applicant Disclosure of Duplication in Cost Items
- DOJ Certifications Regarding Lobbying; Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters; and **Drug-Free Workplace Requirements**
- Applicant Disclosure and Justification—DOJ High-Risk Grantees
- Request and Justification for Employee Compensation; Waiver (if applicable)

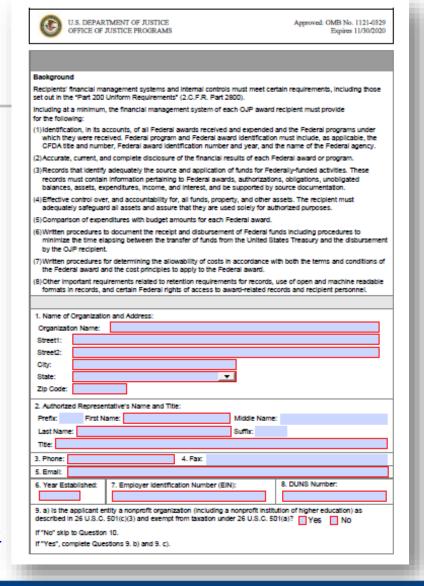


Application for Federal Assistance (Standard Form (SF)-424)

Double Check the SF-424

- ☐ Type of Application: "New"
- Legal Name: Enter the same legal name you use in all OJP award documents. Must be exactly the same.
- Start/End Dates: 10/01/2021— not more than 09/30/24
- ☐ Estimated Funding: Must match the federal request in the Detailed Budget Worksheet
- ☐ **Project Description:** OVC FY 2021 Services for Minor Victims of Labor Trafficking

The SF-424 will be submitted in Grants.gov. See the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide for additional information.



Lobbying Form (SF-LLL)

All applicants must disclose the existence or nonexistence of lobbying activities by completing and submitting Form SF-LLL.

The SF-LLL will be submitted in Grants.gov.

Complete this form to disclose lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352 5. If Reporting Entity in No. 4 is a Subawardee, Enter Name 5. Federal Action Number, If Known: Education University of American Program Name/Description O. a. Name and Address of Lobbying Registrant (if individual, last name, first name, M): b. Individuals Performing Services (including address if

To download the Disclosure for Lobbying Activities form, visit:

https://ojp.gov/funding/Apply/Resources/Disclosure.pdf



Disclosure of Pending Applications



The **disclosure** (written statement) should include both **direct applications** for federal funding (e.g., applications to federal agencies) and **indirect applications** for such funding (e.g., applications to state agencies that will subgrants federal funds).

This written statement should include:

- The federal or state funding agency name
- The solicitation name, project name, and description of the project
- The point of contact information at the applicable funding agency



Applicant Disclosure of High-Risk Status



If an applicant <u>is currently designated as high risk</u> by a federal grant-making agency, then the applicant must include the following information in its application:

- 1) NAME AND CONTACT INFO OF THE DESIGNATING AGENCY
- 2) DATE OF DESIGNATION
- 3) REASON FOR DESIGNATION







Application Process





Register for Upcoming Application Submission Webinars



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Additional dates added: <u>Application Mechanics: Submitting an</u>
<u>Application</u>

- ☐ Thursday, April 8, 2021 1:00 p.m. ET
- ☐ Monday, April 12, 2021 3:00 p.m. ET

What you'll learn:

- Steps to take prior to applying for funding
- ✓ How to find open DOJ funding opportunities in Grants.gov
- ✓ How to apply for funding using JustGrants
- The JustGrants roles and their responsibilities and required actions
- ✓ How to navigate and use the system
- ✓ Where to find training materials, job aids, and other resources



DOJ Application Submission Checklist

Review the **DOJ Application Submission Checklist**

The checklist covers all necessary steps to complete the two-part application process in Grants.gov and JustGrants.

The checklist includes:

- ✓ how to prepare to apply
- ✓ completing the abbreviated application in Grants.gov
- Entity Onboarding and JustGrants Access
- ✓ completing, reviewing, certifying and submitting your application in JustGrants, and
- √ helpful user tips



JustGrants Training and Resources

- Access <u>recording</u> and <u>slide deck</u> from previous webinars
- Refer to the <u>JustGrants Training Application Submission</u> page for additional information and training on the application submission process
- Bookmark the <u>JustGrants Training</u> page for updates



Submission Information



<u>Step 1</u>: Applicants will submit an SF-424 and an SF-LLL in Grants.gov at https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/register.html. To register in Grants.gov, applicants will need to obtain a Data Universal Numeric System (DUNS) and System of Award Management (SAM) registration or renewal.



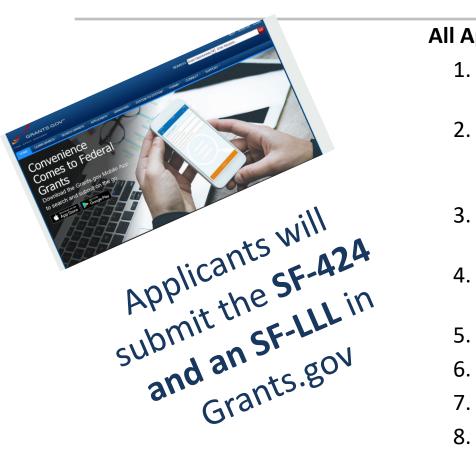
Step 2: Applicants will submit the **full application** including attachments in JustGrants at <u>JustGrants.usdoj.gov</u>.



Refer to the Registration and Submission section of the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide at https://ojp.gov/funding/Apply/Resources/Grant-App-Resource-Guide.htm for instructions on How to Apply (https://www.ojp.gov/funding/apply/ojp-grant-applicationresource-guide#howToApply)

Step 1: Apply in Grants.gov





All Applicants should complete the following steps:

- 1. Acquire a unique entity identifier (a Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number)
- 2. Register or maintain registration with the System for Award Management (SAM) database well in advance of applying (replaces CCR).
- 3. Acquire an Authorized Organization Representative (AOR) and a Grants.gov username and password.
- 4. Acquire confirmation for the AOR from the E-Business Point of Contact (E-Biz POC).
- 5. Search for the funding opportunity on Grants.gov
- 6. Select the correct Competition ID.
- 7. Access Funding Opportunity and Application Package from Grants.gov.
- 8. Submit a valid application consistent with the solicitation by following the directions at Grants.gov.

Step 2: Apply in JustGrants





Applicants will then submit the <u>full application</u> including attachments in JustGrants at <u>JustGrants.usdoj.gov</u>.



OJP Grants Application Resource Guide





Visit: https://www.ojp.gov/funding/apply/ojp-grant-application-resource-guide



Important Web Resources



- Office for Victims of Crime: https://ovc.ojp.gov
- DOJ Grants Financial Guide: https://ojp.gov/financialguide/DOJ/index.htm
- JustGrants: https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov/
- Grants.gov: https://www.grants.gov
- OJP Grant Application Resource Guide: https://www.ojp.gov/funding/apply/ojp-grant-application-resource-guide
- OVC Training and Technical Assistance Center: <u>www.ovcttac.gov</u>
- Grant Performance Measurement Reporting: https://ojp.gov/performance/
- OJP Resource Center: https://www.ojp.gov/ncjrs/new-ojp-resources



Important Contact Information





Technical Assistance Submitting the SF-424 and SF-LLL into

Grants.Gov: 800–518–4726, 606–545–5035 | <u>support@grants.gov</u>



Technical Assistance Submitting the FULL APPLICATION into

JustGrants: 833–872–5175 JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov



Technical Assistance with Programmatic Requirements contact the

OJP Response Center: 800–851–3420 | grants@ncjrs.gov

Important Dates



Application Mechanics Webinars

(recordings available <u>Training: Application Submission |</u> <u>JUSTICEGRANTS (usdoj.gov)</u>)





Part 1: Submit SF-424, SF-LLL in Grants.gov by



Part 2: Submit Full Application in JustGrants.gov by



Question Time





To submit a question, use the **Q&A Box** and select <u>all panelists</u>.

