

OVC FY 2022 Services for Victims of Human Trafficking

Assistance Listing Number: 16.320

Grants.gov Opportunity Number: O-OVC-2022-171307
May 25, 2022

The webinar will begin shortly.

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 attitudes, 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



- Grants.gov deadline: Tuesday, June 14, 2022
- JustGrants deadline: Tuesday, June 28, 2022
- □ DOJ expects to award grants no later than **September 30, 2022**
- □ All project **START** dates should be on or after **October 1, 2022***



*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.

Eligibility



- City or township governments
- County governments
- Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)
- Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments)
- Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
- Public and State controlled institutions of higher education
- Public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities
- State governments*
- Other



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

Program Description



OVC HTD Mission: To enhance capacity to identify, assist, and provide services to all victims of human trafficking, OVC leads the nation in supporting victim-centered and trauma-informed programs, policies, and resources that promote justice, access, and empowerment.

Purpose: To develop, expand, or strengthen victim service programs for victims of human trafficking.

This program will provide funding for services to victims of human trafficking, as defined by 22 U.S.C. § 7102(11).

Categories



Competition ID	Category	Number of Awards	Dollar Amount for Awards	Performance Start Date	Performance Duration (Months)
C-OVC-2022- 00015-PROD	Purpose Area 1: Developing Capacity to Serve Human Trafficking Victims	5	\$440,000	10/1/2022 12:00 AM	36
C-OVC-2022- 00016-PROD	Purpose Area 2: Enhancing Access to Comprehensive Services for Human Trafficking Victims	16	\$950,000	10/1/2022 12:00 AM	36
C-OVC-2022- 00017-PROD	Purpose Area 3: Specialized Services for Human Trafficking Victims	12	\$800,000	10/1/2022 12:00 AM	36



Purpose Area 1: Developing Capacity to Serve Human Trafficking Victims



The purpose of these awards is to support (1) victim services organizations that have limited or no prior experience in serving victims of human trafficking and/or (2) victim service organizations that have limited or no prior experience in receiving direct federal funding to serve victims of human trafficking.

Purpose Area 2: Enhancing Access to Comprehensive Services for Human Trafficking Victims



Under Purpose Area 2, awards will be made to victim service organizations with a demonstrated history of serving human trafficking victims with a comprehensive range of direct services. The purpose of these awards is to enhance victims' access the diverse services that victims of labor and sex trafficking often require to address their needs.



Purpose Area 3: Specialized Services for Human Trafficking Victims



Under Purpose Area 3, awards will be made to victim service organizations with a demonstrated history of providing a specialized service beyond case management to victims of human trafficking. The goal is to increase the quality and quantity of the identified specialized service to assist victims of all forms of human trafficking. Note that proposing specialized services for shelter/housing is not allowable under this Purpose Area. Entities interested in providing specialized housing services should apply under OVC's FY 2022 Housing Assistance Grants for Victims of Human Trafficking solicitation.



Note for All Purpose Areas



All entities that have received human trafficking grants from OVC in FY 2020 or FY 2021 must detail how the newly proposed project would differ from, or expand, the existing funded project(s) to be considered for funding in FY 2022.

Additionally, while applicants may apply for an amount up to maximum level of funding allowed under each Purpose Area, they should demonstrate sustained rates of victims served or service expenses that merit this level of funding, or request a lower level of funding.



Information on Managing a Human Trafficking Award



For more information on implementation of OVC Human Trafficking awards, please consult the OVC Human Trafficking Program FAQs



Goal





The goal of this program is to develop, expand, or strengthen victim service programs for victims of human trafficking, including those that provide traumainformed services.

Objectives





Objectives include:

- 1. Provision of services to meet the individualized needs of victims of human trafficking;
- 2. Collaboration with and training for local partners (e.g., service providers, criminal justice professionals, members of the judiciary, community and faith-based organizations, etc.) to ensure trafficking victims are properly identified and referred for appropriate services;
- 3. Assistance or referrals to other essential services for victims of human trafficking; and
- 4. Data collection and participation in evaluation activities to determine if the program is meeting stated goals and objectives.

Deliverables



The deliverables to be provided are services, measured by types of service, number of new and continuing victims served, and other key data points.



OJP Priority Areas



- 1. Priority Considerations Supporting Executive Order 13985, Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Underserved Communities Through the Federal Government
 - A. Applications that include project(s) that will promote racial equity and the removal of barriers to access and opportunity for communities that have been historically underserved, marginalized, and adversely affected by inequality, when making award decisions.
 - B. Applicants that can demonstrate that their capabilities and competencies for implementing their proposed project(s) are enhanced because the applicant (or at least one proposed subrecipient that will receive at least 30% of the requested award funding, as demonstrated in the Budget Worksheet and Budget Narrative) identifies as a culturally specific organization.

For additional information, please see the solicitation.

Federal Award Information



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Types of Awards



The awards 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 (30%)
 - Capabilities and Competencies (25%)
 - Plan for Collecting the Data for this Solicitation's Performance Measures (5%)
- Budget Worksheet and Budget Narrative (web-based form) (10%)
- Letters of Support, Letters of Intent, MOUs from project partners (10%)



Remember, if you fail to submit <u>ANY</u> of required documents, your application <u>will not</u> be considered for funding!

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:

- purpose of the project,
- primary activities,
- expected outcomes,
- the service area, and
- intended beneficiaries and subrecipients

This will be completed in the JustGrants Web-based form.

Proposal Narrative Format



The proposal narrative must:

- Be double-spaced
- Use a standard 12-point font
- Have no less than 1-inch margins
- NOT exceed 20 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



Outline ALL the grant requirements and make a plan to fulfill each and EVERY REQUIREMENT.

Proposal Narrative: Statement of the Problem



This section must—

- 1. identify the nature and scope of the problem that the program will address. Applicants must demonstrate the problem of human trafficking within the targeted geographic area and cite multiple sources for this data.
- 2. describe previous or current attempts to address the problem; including documentation of the number of trafficking victims served each year during 2020 and 2021 within the targeted geographic area. Applicants must cite the source(s) for any data.
- 3. describe the communities to be served, including the geographic area, populations in the service area, and any groups that are vulnerable to human trafficking. Applicants should identify any relevant underserved communities in their geographic area using supportive data.
- 4. demonstrate sustained victim services/caseloads/expenses that align with the requested level of funding.
- 5. describe current efforts to address the service needs of trafficking survivors in the geographic area, including programs funded through OVC, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), the Office on Violence Against Women, or with Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) state victim assistance funds. Explain how the proposed project is not duplicative and targets identified gaps.



Proposal Narrative: Project Design and Implementation



This **section** should include goals, objectives and activities that are aligned with the 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 (or have submitted formal agreements with partners with experience and expertise with the application) to effectively implement the requirements of this solicitation.
- 2. Identify the key individuals and organizations involved in the proposed project.
- 3. Demonstrate that the individuals and organizations identified have the capacity to address the stated need, including the expertise necessary to provide services to human trafficking victims, and can successfully implement the proposed project activities.
- 4. Describe specific roles and responsibilities of all project partners and key staff.
- 5. Demonstrate that project staff have appropriate training and experience to implement project activities as described in the proposal, including the knowledge and expertise necessary to implement culturally responsive projects with the identified underserved communities, and document plans and position descriptions for staff to be hired.



Proposal Narrative: Capabilities and Competencies (cont.)



- 6. Demonstrate the capacity and expertise of the lead applicant and all project partners to serve victims of human trafficking.
- 7. Clearly describe who will implement activities as described in the Project Design and Implementation section.
- 8. Describe their experience managing federal grants that support services to crime victims and document their administrative and financial capacity to manage federal grants. If the applicant has other grants for providing services to victims of human trafficking, the applicant must describe the scope of each of these grants and describe how activities and data collection on these projects will be tracked separately to avoid duplication.
- 9. If the applicant is seeking priority consideration under Priority 1(B), it should describe within this section how being a culturally specific organization (or funding a culturally specific subrecipient organization at a minimum of 30% of the project budget) will enhance its ability to implement the proposed project(s) and should also specify which culturally specific populations are intended or expected to be served or have their needs addressed under the proposed project(s).

Proposal Narrative: Plan for Collecting Data



This section must include the following information:

- 1. A plan for collecting all the performance measures data required by this solicitation.
- 2. A description of the qualifications of key staff who will be responsible for collecting data and reporting performance measures in JustGrants.



Budget Worksheet and Budget Narrative (Web-Based Form)





- 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.
- Address Priority 1B considerations, if applicable.

Create a **SMART** Budget





Be **SPECIFIC** when listing all your expenses

Under the computation column of the budget, make sure your costs are **MEASURABLE**

Ensure that your budget items are **ATTAINABLE**

If you put your timeline next to your budget, make sure each item is accounted for, then your budget should be **RELEVANT**.

Make sure your budget is **TIME-BOUND** and broken down year by year or month by month.



Budget - Match



Federal funds awarded under this program may not cover more than 75% of the total costs of the project being funded. The applicant must identify the source of the 25% nonfederal portion of the total project costs and how match funds will be used.

- Matching funds are to be used in the same manner as Federal funds
- Recipients must maintain records/documentation regarding match

<u>Federal Award Amount</u> = Adjusted (Total) Project Costs Federal Share Percentage

Required Recipient's Share Percentage x Adjusted Project Cost = Required Match **Example:** 75%/25% match requirement: for a federal award amount of \$350,000, calculate match as follows:

Applications Should Also Include



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

- Information to Complete the Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424) in Grants.gov
- Standard Application Information (SF-424 info from Grants.gov)
- Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (if applicable)
- Financial Management and System of Internal Controls Questionnaire
- Disclosure of Process Related to Executive Compensation
- Service Partner Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs), Letters of Intent, and Subcontracts/Subgrants (if applicable)
- Training Plan
- Position Descriptions and Resumes
- Tribal Authorizing Resolution (if applicable)

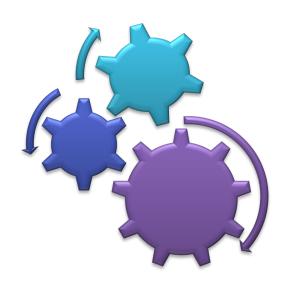
- Research and Evaluation Independence and Integrity (if applicable)
- Documentation of DOJ Priority Areas (if applicable)
- Request and Justification for Employee Compensation;
 Waiver (if applicable)
- Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (SF-LLL)
- Applicant Disclosure of Duplication in Cost Items
-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





Hallmarks of an Outstanding Application





- Use simple and concise language.
- Ensure information is presentable and organized!
- Add tables, graphs, staff photos, and other images when possible while being mindful of grant guidelines.
- Be realistic about how you will achieve goals.
- Get feedback from those who may run the project!
- Make sure the proposal is consistent with the solicitation.
- Check, recheck, and check again—budget, grant requirements, references, and other grant details.

Common Reasons Cited for a Weak Application



- Too ambitious or lacks focus
- Applicant lacks appropriate expertise to carry out the proposed project
- No evidence of feasibility (do not assume reviewers are as familiar with the project as you are)
- Poor writing and a lot of errors



Application Process

Two Step Application Process



Submission into Grants.Gov

Due: June 14, 2022

Submission of the Full Application into JustGrants and Grants.gov

Due: June 28, 2022

Application Submission Overview







Applicants have two application submission deadlines:

- 1. Grants.gov (submitting the SF-424 and SF-LLL)
- 2. JustGrants

It's OK to enter preliminary budget or programmatic data in Grants. gov and update later in JustGrants.



A JustGrants submission should include all items as defined in the solicitation.

Step 1: Apply in Grants.gov



DOJ applications require you to complete two things:



The Funding Opportunity and Application Package on Grants.gov.

- 1) Select **Apply for Grants** under the Applicants column.
- 2) Enter your email address to be notified of any changes to the opportunity package before the closing date.
- 3) Click the Workspace icon to use Grants.gov.



The SF-424 and SF-LLL on Grants.gov.

Within 48 hours of SF-424 and SF-LLL submission, you should receive two notifications from Grants.gov.

- 1) Confirming the receipt of the SF-424 and SF-LLL.
- 2) Stating whether the SF-424 and SF-LLL were successfully validated and submitted or were rejected due to errors—with an explanation.

Step 2: Apply in JustGrants





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



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Web-based Forms for Submission in JustGrants



There are certain web-based forms that must be submitted directly into the system.

- Proposal Abstract
- Solicitation-Specific Data submitted with the Application
- Goals, Objectives, Deliverables, and Timelines
- Budget Detail Form
- Application Disclosure of Duplication Cost Items

Pay attention to required sections. If a section is required and presents you with web-based entries, you cannot upload a document instead. You must use the format required in the application.

What to Expect After Submitting an Application

The entity will be notified that they have received an award when all applications for the solicitation have been reviewed before September 30.

The system will notify:

- The Entity Administrator and Authorized Representative when the deadline for applications has changed.
- The Application Submitter, Entity Administrator, and Authorized Representative when the application is received in JustGrants from Grants.gov.
- The Entity Administrator when the award notification has been sent.

The entity should check the system regularly so that any upcoming deadlines for submitting applications and documentation are addressed in a timely manner.

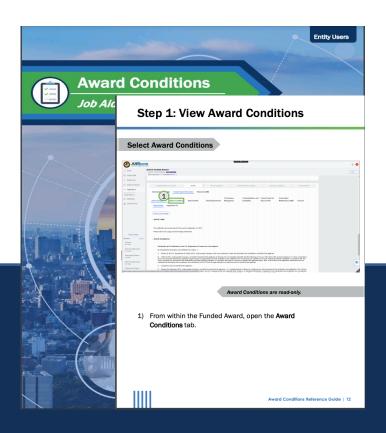
Once the application deadline passes in JustGrants, you may see a banner that says it is past due. If your status is "Submitted," your application has been received by DOJ and you can ignore the past due banner.

JustGrants Training Resources









Organized by Topics

Micro-learning videos

Job Aid Reference Guides

JustGrants Office Hours: Application Mechanics



Application Mechanics: Submitting an Application Training
Key Audience: Entity Administrator,
Application Submitter, Authorized
Representative

- Preparing to apply
- •Completing the abbreviated application in Grants.gov
- •Entity onboarding and JustGrants access
- •JustGrants roles and responsibilities
- Assigning users' roles to applications
- •Completing, reviewing, certifying and submitting a JustGrants application
- Attendee questions about application submission

Every Wednesday from 2:30-4:00 p.m. ET

Click the link to register for the session you wish to attend:

•May 25, 2022

Check website for updates: https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov/training/training-virtual-sessions



OJP Grants Application Resource Guide





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



OVC Pre-Application Webinars



- Review OVC's previously held <u>webinars</u>:
 - Part 1: Getting Ready to Apply
 - Part 2: Considerations When Building Your OVC Budget
 - Part 3: Preparing Your Proposal and What to Expect Next
 - Part 4: Overview of Upcoming Funding Opportunities in FY 2022
- Review OVC's <u>current funding opportunities</u>.
- Sign up for <u>News From OVC</u> to stay up-to-date with the webinars schedule.



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 <u>SF-424 and SF-LLL</u> into

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



Technical Assistance Submitting the <u>FULL APPLICATION</u> into

JustGrants: 833–872–5175 | <u>JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov</u>



Technical Assistance with Programmatic Requirements contact the

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

Important Dates



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



Part 2: Submit Full Application in JustGrants.gov by



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Sign up for updates on new funding opportunities and other OVC announcements at: https://puborder.ncjrs.gov/Listservs/subscribe_newsfromovc.asp



2022 National Crime Victims' Rights Week



Use the 2022 NCVRW artwork to help inspire your community and raise awareness of victims' rights. The 2022 NCVRW theme is *Rights, access, equity for all victims*.

This year's theme underscores the importance of helping crime survivors find their justice by—

- enforcing victims' rights,
- expanding access to services, and
- ensuring equity and inclusion for all.

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Questions?





To submit a question, use the **Q&A Box** and select **All Panelists**

