

AL Annual State Performance Report

Victim Assistance Formula Grant Program

Reporting Period: [Oct 1, 2019 to Sept 30, 2020]

This aggregated data is self-reported by the grantees and subgrantees in each state/territory.

OVC VOCA Assistance Funds				
	2017-VA-GX-0016	2018-V2-GX-0027	2019-V2-GX-0018	2020-V2-GX-0013
Federal Award Amount	\$27,566,363.00	\$49,343,117.00	\$33,390,665.00	\$24,748,400.00
Total Amount of Subawards	\$25,771,290.00	\$28,617,951.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Number of Subawards	29	49	0	0
Administrative Funds Amount	\$1,378,318.00	\$2,467,155.00	\$1,669,533.00	\$1,237,420.00
Training Funds Amount	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Balance Remaining	\$416,755.00	\$18,258,011.00	\$31,721,132.00	\$23,510,980.00

Subgrantee Organization Type				
The total number of subgrants represents all subgrants funded across all federal awards active during the reporting period. The number is not unique as there are subgrantee organizations that are continuously funded from each federal award.				
Type of Organization	2017-VA-GX-0016	2018-V2-GX-0027	2019-V2-GX-0018	2020-V2-GX-0013
Government Agencies Only	2	2	0	0
Corrections	0	0	0	0
Courts	0	0	0	0
Juvenile Justice	0	0	0	0
Law Enforcement	0	0	0	0
Prosecutor	1	1	0	0
Other	1	1	0	0
Nonprofit Organization Only	26	47	0	0
Child Abuse Service organization (e.g., child advocacy center)	13	23	0	0
Coalition (e.g., state domestic violence or sexual assault coalition)	1	0	0	0
Domestic and Family Violence Organization	7	8	0	0
Faith-based Organization	0	0	0	0
Organization Provides Domestic and Family Violence and Sexual Assault Services	0	4	0	0
Organization by and/or for underserved victims of crime (e.g., drunk driving, homicide, elder abuse)	3	3	0	0

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Sexual Assault Services organization (e.g., rape crisis center)	1	4	0	0
Multiservice agency	0	2	0	0
Other	1	3	0	0
Federally Recognized Tribal Governments, Agencies, and Organizations Only	0	0	0	0
Child Abuse Service organization (e.g., child advocacy center)	0	0	0	0
Court	0	0	0	0
Domestic and Family Violence organization	0	0	0	0
Faith-based organization	0	0	0	0
Juvenile justice	0	0	0	0
Law Enforcement	0	0	0	0
Organization provides domestic and family violence and sexual assault services	0	0	0	0
Prosecutor	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault Services organization (e.g., rape crisis center)	0	0	0	0
Other justice-based agency	0	0	0	0
Other agency that is NOT justice-based (e.g., human services, health, education)	0	0	0	0
Organization by and/or for a specific traditionally underserved community	0	0	0	0
Organization by and/or for underserved victims of crime (e.g., drunk driving, homicide, elder abuse)	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0
Campus Organizations Only	1	0	0	0
Campus-based victims services	1	0	0	0
Law enforcement	0	0	0	0
Physical or mental health service program	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0
Total Number of Subawards	29	49	0	0

*This number is not unique across fiscal years as there are subgrantee organizations that are funded from multiple federal awards.

Subaward Purpose				
A single SAR can select multiple purposes. Numbers are not unique				
	2017-VA-GX-0016	2018-V2-GX-0027	2019-V2-GX-0018	2020-V2-GX-0013
A. Continue a VOCA-funded victim project funded in a previous year	28	43	0	0

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B. Expand or enhance an existing project not funded by VOCA in the previous year	1	3	0	0
C. Start up a new victim services project	3	6	0	0
D. Start up a new Native American victim services project	0	0	0	0
E. Expand or enhance an existing Native American project	0	0	0	0

VOCA and Match Funds

A single SAR can select multiple service types. Numbers are not unique

	2017-VA-GX-0016	2018-V2-GX-0027	2019-V2-GX-0018	2020-V2-GX-0013
A.INFORMATION & REFERRAL	29	49	0	0
B.PERSONAL ADVOCACY/ACCOMPANIMENT	26	45	0	0
C.EMOTIONAL SUPPORT OR SAFETY SERVICES	28	46	0	0
D.SHELTER/HOUSING SERVICES	11	22	0	0
E.CRIMINAL/CIVIL JUSTICE SYSTEM ASSISTANCE	26	45	0	0
F. ASSISTANCE IN FILING COMPENSATION CLAIMS	29	49	0	0

Priority and Underserved Requirements

Priority Area	2017-VA-GX-0016	2018-V2-GX-0027	2019-V2-GX-0018	2020-V2-GX-0013
Child Abuse				
Total Amount	\$5,228,553.00	\$10,320,897.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	19.00 %	21.00 %		
Domestic and Family Violence				
Total Amount	\$6,818,545.00	\$9,304,593.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	25.00 %	19.00 %		
Sexual Assault				
Total Amount	\$4,449,842.00	\$2,687,860.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	16.00 %	5.00 %		
Underserved				
Total Amount	\$9,274,350.00	\$6,304,600.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	34.00 %	13.00 %		

Budget and Staffing

Staffing Information	2017-VA-GX-0016	2018-V2-GX-0027	2019-V2-GX-0018	2020-V2-GX-0013
Total number of paid staff for all subgrantee victimization program and/or services	428	628		

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Number of staff hours funded through this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	735953	1225002		
Total number of volunteer staff supporting the work of this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	1063	4806		
Number of volunteer hours supporting the work of this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	33929	672640		

AGGREGATED SUBGRANTEE PERFORMANCE MEASURE DATA

Victimization Type						
Victimization Type	Number of Subgrantees Indicating Intent to Serve This Victim Type	Number of Individuals Who Actually Received Services Based on a Presenting Victimization				
		Quarter 1 Total	Quarter 2 Total	Quarter 3 Total	Quarter 4 Total	Per Quarter Average
Adult Physical Assault (includes Aggravated and Simple Assault)	29	3313	3310	2174	2685	2870
Adult Sexual Assault	1	2161	1747	1160	1265	1583
Adults Sexually Abused/Assaulted as Children	36	661	699	452	289	525
Arson	6	211	187	108	42	137
Bullying (Verbal, Cyber or Physical)	33	336	304	328	267	308
Burglary	11	2927	3314	1159	1849	2312
Child Physical Abuse or Neglect	55	6199	4880	2507	2688	4068
Child Pornography	39	374	277	181	231	265
Child Sexual Abuse/Assault	55	7583	6056	3734	4400	5443
Domestic and/or Family Violence	4	12699	12018	8382	10403	10875
DUI/DWI Incidents	1	450	343	236	241	317
Elder Abuse or Neglect	21	382	389	234	272	319
Hate Crime: Racial/Religious/Gender/ Sexual Orientation/Other (Explanation Required)	13	8	34	13	11	16
Human Trafficking: Labor	18	8	4	1	6	4
Human Trafficking: Sex	1	88	80	65	77	77
Identity Theft/Fraud/Financial Crime	8	2140	2267	495	101	1250
Kidnapping (non-custodial)	20	61	84	46	58	62
Kidnapping (custodial)	20	18	19	13	15	16

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Mass Violence (Domestic/International)	9	0	12	5	1	4
Other Vehicular Victimization (e.g., Hit and Run)	9	628	789	187	59	415
Robbery	11	1058	1031	358	418	716
Stalking/Harassment	32	1310	1743	907	1136	1274
Survivors of Homicide Victims	2	1916	1971	1500	1516	1725
Teen Dating Victimization	39	128	72	40	42	70
Terrorism (Domestic/International)	5	35	47	9	9	25
Other	10	6361	7531	4009	2368	5067

Special Classifications of Individuals

Special Classifications of Individuals	Number of Individuals Self Reporting a Special Classification				
	Quarter 1 Total	Quarter 2 Total	Quarter 3 Total	Quarter 4 Total	Per Quarter Average
Deaf/Hard of Hearing	102	101	46	48	235
Homeless	829	616	426	572	4661
Immigrants/Refugees/Asylum Seekers	393	274	235	190	961
LGBTQ	268	345	247	323	935
Veterans	232	217	75	104	1012
Victims with Disabilities: Cognitive/Physical /Mental	811	806	473	812	4933
Victims with Limited English Proficiency	505	423	268	358	1557
Other	47	562	16	60	417

General Award Information

Activities Conducted at the Subgrantee Level	Number	Percent
Total number of individuals who received services during the Fiscal Year.	137374	
Total number of anonymous contacts who received services during the Fiscal Year	2214	
Number of new individuals who received services from your state for the first time during the Fiscal Year.	80148	58.34 %
Of the clients who received services, how many presented with more than one type of victimization during the Fiscal Year?	25692	18.70 %
Number of individuals assisted with a victim compensation application during the Fiscal Year.	10961	

Demographics

Demographic Characteristic of New Individuals Served	Number	Percent
Race/Ethnicity		
American Indian or Alaska Native	161	0.20 %
Asian	480	0.60 %
Black or African American	26841	33.49 %

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Hispanic or Latino	3568	4.45 %
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	131	0.16 %
White Non-Latino or Caucasian	39897	49.78 %
Some Other Race	1100	1.37 %
Multiple Races	1204	1.50 %
Not Reported	4884	6.09 %
Not Tracked	1882	2.35 %
Race/Ethnicity Total	80148	
Gender Identity		
Male	24315	30.34 %
Female	49698	62.01 %
Other	398	0.50 %
Not Reported	3724	4.65 %
Not Tracked	2013	2.51 %
Gender Total	80148	
Age		
Age 0- 12	14176	17.69 %
Age 13- 17	6912	8.62 %
Age 18- 24	9465	11.81 %
Age 25- 59	35607	44.43 %
Age 60 and Older	5446	6.79 %
Not Reported	5466	6.82 %
Not Tracked	3076	3.84 %
Age Total	80148	

Direct Services				
Service Area	# of Subgrantees That Provided Services in This Category	# of Individuals/Contacts Receiving Services	Specific Service	Frequency of Service
A. Information & Referral	75	70991	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			A1. Information about the criminal justice process	48669
			A2. Information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.	35813
			A3. Referral to other victim service programs	17110

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			A4. Referral to other services, supports, and resources (includes legal, medical, faith-based organizations, address confidentiality programs, etc.)	45786
B. Personal Advocacy/ Accompaniment	68	26418	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			B1. Victim advocacy/accompaniment to emergency medical care	8746
			B2. Victim advocacy/accompaniment to medical forensic exam	1976
			B3. Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment	2917
			B4. Individual advocacy (e.g., assistance in applying for public benefits, return of personal property or effects)	23013
			B5. Performance of medical or nonmedical forensic exam or interview or medical evidence collection	5120
			B6. Immigration assistance (e.g., special visas, continued presence application, and other immigration relief)	543
			B7. Intervention with employer, creditor, landlord, or academic institution	2014
			B8. Child or dependent care assistance (includes coordination of services)	3046
			B9. Transportation assistance (includes coordination of services)	10311
			B10. Interpreter services	1936
C. Emotional Support or Safety Services	73	50186	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			C1. Crisis intervention (in-person, includes safety planning, etc.)	29595
			C2. Hotline/crisis line counseling	16251
			C3. On-scene crisis response (e.g., community crisis response)	1215
			C4. Individual counseling	43103
			C5. Support groups (facilitated or peer)	10857
			C6. Other Therapy (traditional, cultural, or alternative healing; art, writing, or play therapy, etc.)	5218
			C7. Emergency financial assistance	1975
D. Shelter/ Housing Services	29	4496	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			D1. Emergency shelter or safe house	38500
			D2. Transitional housing	23242

			D3. Relocation assistance (includes assistance with obtaining housing)	545
E. Criminal/ Civil Justice System Assistance	62	68675	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			E1. Notification of criminal justice events	54359
			E2. Victim impact statement assistance	3289
			E3. Assistance with restitution	14260
			E4. Civil legal assistance in obtaining protection or restraining order	5699
			E5. Civil legal assistance with family law issues	6287
			E6. Other emergency justice-related assistance	864
			E7. Immigration assistance	334
			E8. Prosecution interview advocacy/accompaniment	7511
			E9. Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment	4458
			E10. Criminal advocacy/accompaniment	18114
E11. Other legal advice and/or counsel	3634			

ANNUAL QUESTIONS

Grantee Annually Reported Questions

Question/Option	Count
Were any administrative and training funds used during the reporting period?	
Yes	1
No	0
Did the administrative funds support any education activities during the reporting period?	
Yes	0
No	1
Number of requests received for education activities during the reporting period.	0
Number of people trained or attending education events during the reporting period.	0
Number of events conducted during the reporting period.	0
Did the grant support any coordination activities (e.g., with other service providers, law enforcement agencies) during the reporting period?	
Yes	0
No	1
Describe any program or educational materials developed during the reporting period.	
N/A	

Describe any planning or training events held during the reporting period.

N/A

Describe any program policies changed during the reporting period.

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs' Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Division did not have any notable program policy changes relating to the administration of VOCA Victim Assistance grant funds.

Describe any earned media coverage events/episodes during the reporting period.

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs' Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Division did not have any notable earned media coverage during the reporting period. Any earned media has been derived through the Governor's announcement of grant awards to local service providers. These announcements are regularly published through, local and state, media sources.

Describe any coordinated responses/services for assisting crime victims during the reporting period.

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs' Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Division does not provide direct response or services to crime victims. If our staff is contacted by a crime victim, we refer them to the appropriate resources based on information available.

Please discuss the major issues in your state that either assist or prevent victims from receiving assistance during the reporting period.

The two major issues preventing victims from receiving assistance has been the COVID-19 pandemic and the reduction in victim assistance funding. Much has been done at the local level, in the midst of the pandemic, to ensure victims continue to receive services as safely as possible. However, the reductions in VOCA victim assistance funding has caused a few agencies to begin scaling back their services. Given the state and the trajectory of VOCA funding this issue will inevitably grow, reducing the ability for victims to receive adequate services.

Please describe ways that your agency promoted the coordination of public and private efforts within the community to help crime victims during the reporting period.

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs' Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Division requires subrecipients to submit Memorandums of Understanding (MOU) to demonstrate coordination among local communities in providing services to crime victims. These MOUs are usually between subrecipients and one or more local agencies outlining the efforts used to coordinate and improve the services provided in that particular community. Within the MOU, each participating agency describes their organization and the services they will provide for each other, as a way to benefit each agency's overall mission and to better serve victims in the area. MOUs allow us to see the collaborative efforts that take place at the local level with agencies that provide services to crime victims. In addition to requiring the applicant to maintain MOUs with other agencies, we encourage agencies to allocate project funding to establish and strengthen community responses to victims of crime.

Please describe any notable activities at the grantee level during the reporting period that improved delivery of victim services.

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs' Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Division does not conduct activities which directly impact the delivery of services to victims of crime.

Please discuss each priority (i.e., child abuse, domestic assault, sexual assault, and underserved) in which VOCA funds have been used to assist crime victims during the reporting period

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs' Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Division (LETS) administered VOCA Victim Assistance funds to seventy-eight projects during the 2019-2020 grant period. The projects range from treating child victims, victims of domestic violence, victims of sexual assault, and many other types of victims who are typically overlooked and underserved. In addressing the child abuse priority area, LETS funds child advocacy centers that work with physically and sexually abused children or victims who are assaulted as children as they overcome physical, emotional, and sexual abuse. A few of the services that subrecipients provide to victims are therapy, forensic interviews, medical exams, court assistance, relocation, and family counseling. In addressing the domestic assault priority area, LETS awards funds to domestic violence agencies and shelters that provide services to domestic assault victims. The majority of VOCA Victim Assistance funding, for this priority area, goes towards domestic violence shelters. The shelters work with men and women who are victims of domestic violence or in dangerous relationships. Services for domestic assault victims include but are not limited to emergency shelter, transitional housing, counseling, safety planning, support groups, advocacy, legal assistance, crisis response, crisis hotline services, and referrals. In addressing the sexual assault priority area, LETS awards funds to sexual assault programs who work with victims who have been affected by sexual abuse. Subrecipients provide a number of services such as forensic exams,

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medical assistance, support groups, counseling, advocacy, and educational outreach. In addressing the underserved priority area, LETS awarded funds to a variety of underserved and special projects. One project is Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD). MADD is an organization that works with victims who have been affected by under the influence drivers. They work to provide services to these victims such as advocacy, helping with compensation forms, and assisting them in court hearing. VOCAL and Wiregrass Angel House are VOCA Victim Assistance funded projects that work with family members of homicide victims. They provide services to these victims to include crime scene clean up, shelter before court hearings, attending court hearings, and counseling. Hispanic Interest Coalition of Alabama and AshaKiran are organizations that focus on assisting crime victims of different nationalities, specifically Hispanic victims and East Asian victims, respectively. A few of the services these organizations provide include medical assistance, advocacy, outreach, interpretation services, emergency shelter, immigration services, and other support. The State Department of Human Resources provides services to elder abuse victims by providing short-term supervision and out-of-home placements for victims. We funded a non-profit agency that specifically serves victims of human trafficking. This agency provides emergency shelter; along with counseling, safety planning, support groups, advocacy, legal assistance, crisis response, crisis hotline services, and referrals.

Please briefly describe efforts taken to serve Victims of Federal crime during the reporting period.

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs' Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Division requires subrecipients to provide services to victims of federal crimes on the same basis of victims of state/local crimes. Several agencies continue to coordinate and operate with federal organizations to offer their facilities and their services to federal crime victims. Several subrecipients are members of local Human Trafficking Task Forces and coordinate with local military bases to provide services. Agencies have aided cases involving electronic solicitations, child pornography, and other internet crimes. Subrecipients continue to work with federal law enforcement and attorney's offices to provide sensitivity training and collaborative efforts to support victims of federal crimes.

Please identify any emerging issues or notable trends affecting crime victim services in your state during the reporting period.

The greatest issue affecting crime victim services is the reduction of funding available for VOCA Victim Assistance funding. There is no doubt that the increase in VOCA funding led to a great increase in the services available for crime victims. This funding increased the immeasurable feelings of hope, healing, justice, and safety experienced by those receiving services. However, the reduction in VOCA Victim Assistance funding will decrease the services available to crime victims. The services that had become a source of hope, healing, justice, and safety for crime victims are being taken from them. A result of offering lesser services is potentially only adding to the trauma experienced by crime victims.

Please briefly outline any staffing retention issues that your victim assistance program has and why these issues may occur during the reporting period.

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs' Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Division did not experience any major staffing retention issues.

Please explain your state process to publicize its victim assistance funding for services to victims of crime during the reporting period.

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs' Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Division issues request for proposals to agencies seeking to provide services to victims of crime. We directly target our solicitations to interested parties as well as provide this information on our public website. ADECA encourages subrecipients to reach out to other local agencies who serve crime victims about the availability of VOCA funding.

Please explain how your state is able to direct funding to new/underserved populations during the reporting period.

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs' Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Division attempts to attract new and unique organizations from across the State and provide them with information on the background and availability of VOCA Victim Assistance funding. We aim for agencies that serve populations, which as a state, have not been previously funded. ADECA funded four new projects during the year. Two projects provided services to victims of crime within the judicial system and two projects served victims of the LGBTQ population.

Please explain how your program is able to respond to gaps in services during the reporting period.

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs' Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Division believes in local leadership with State partnership. This means we entrust our subrecipients and local communities to identify gaps in services at the local level. Through this funding, agencies will be able to address their self-identified, local needs. Subrecipients constantly note the positive impact VOCA Victim Assistance funding has on their ability to increase the services they provide and cover existing gaps.

Please list and explain any outcome measure(s) that are reported to the governor, legislature, or other state entity during the reporting period.

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs' Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Division reports the number of victims served on a quarterly basis to a Legislative Oversight Committee.