

DC Annual State Performance Report

Victim Assistance Formula Grant Program

Reporting Period: [Oct 1, 2020 to Sept 30, 2021]

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

OVC VOCA Assistance Funds				
	2018-V2-GX-0028	2019-V2-GX-0055	2020-V2-GX-0034	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00616-ASSI
Federal Award Amount	\$7,453,336.00	\$5,226,846.00	\$3,990,245.00	\$2,670,274.00
Total Amount of Subawards	\$7,288,049.00	\$4,979,899.00	\$3,790,732.00	\$0.00
Total Number of Subawards	19	12	9	0
Administrative Funds Amount	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Training Funds Amount	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Balance Remaining	\$165,287.00	\$246,947.00	\$199,513.00	\$2,670,274.00

Subgrantee Organization Type				
<small>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.</small>				
Type of Organization	2018-V2-GX-0028	2019-V2-GX-0055	2020-V2-GX-0034	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00616-ASSI
Government Agencies Only	0	0	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	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0
Nonprofit Organization Only	19	12	9	0
Child Abuse Service organization (e.g., child advocacy center)	2	2	1	0
Coalition (e.g., state domestic violence or sexual assault coalition)	0	0	0	0
Domestic and Family Violence Organization	1	1	1	0
Faith-based Organization	0	0	0	0
Organization Provides Domestic and Family Violence and Sexual Assault Services	7	5	3	0
Organization by and/or for underserved victims of crime (e.g., drunk driving, homicide, elder abuse)	7	3	3	0
Sexual Assault Services organization (e.g., rape crisis center)	1	1	1	0
Multiservice agency	1	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0

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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	0	0	0	0
Campus-based victims services	0	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	19	12	9	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				
	2018-V2-GX-0028	2019-V2-GX-0055	2020-V2-GX-0034	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00616-ASSI
A. Continue a VOCA-funded victim project funded in a previous year	16	11	9	0
B. Expand or enhance an existing project not funded by VOCA in the previous year	3	1	0	0
C. Start up a new victim services project	0	0	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

	2018-V2-GX-0028	2019-V2-GX-0055	2020-V2-GX-0034	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00616-ASSI
A.INFORMATION & REFERRAL	12	10	7	0
B.PERSONAL ADVOCACY/ACCOMPANIMENT	11	9	6	0
C.EMOTIONAL SUPPORT OR SAFETY SERVICES	10	10	7	0
D.SHELTER/HOUSING SERVICES	4	2	2	0
E.CRIMINAL/CIVIL JUSTICE SYSTEM ASSISTANCE	9	8	4	0
F. ASSISTANCE IN FILING COMPENSATION CLAIMS	13	11	8	0

Priority and Underserved Requirements

Priority Area	2018-V2-GX-0028	2019-V2-GX-0055	2020-V2-GX-0034	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00616-ASSI
Child Abuse				
Total Amount	\$36,311.00	\$819,875.00	\$649,501.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	0.00 %	16.00 %	16.00 %	
Domestic and Family Violence				
Total Amount	\$674,692.00	\$1,107,500.00	\$1,082,288.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	9.00 %	21.00 %	27.00 %	
Sexual Assault				
Total Amount	\$0.00	\$126,000.00	\$1,399,754.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	0.00 %	2.00 %	35.00 %	
Underserved				
Total Amount	\$434,260.00	\$2,926,523.00	\$659,189.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	6.00 %	56.00 %	17.00 %	

Budget and Staffing

Staffing Information	2018-V2-GX-0028	2019-V2-GX-0055	2020-V2-GX-0034	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00616-ASSI
Total number of paid staff for all subgrantee victimization program and/or services	290	171	203	
Number of staff hours funded through this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	185357	127872	119650	
Total number of volunteer staff supporting the work of this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	791	243	175	
Number of volunteer hours supporting the work of this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	32636	5757	13413	

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)	3	135	110	142	169	139
Adult Sexual Assault	4	184	196	216	266	215
Adults Sexually Abused/Assaulted as Children	2	62	71	74	63	67
Arson	2	0	1	1	1	0
Bullying (Verbal, Cyber or Physical)	1	10	10	10	10	10
Burglary	2	5	3	1	3	3
Child Physical Abuse or Neglect	5	110	240	140	121	152
Child Pornography	1	0	0	0	0	0
Child Sexual Abuse/Assault	6	119	279	167	234	199
Domestic and/or Family Violence	6	271	317	335	358	320
DUI/DWI Incidents	1	1	1	1	1	1
Elder Abuse or Neglect	1	1	0	0	1	0
Hate Crime: Racial/Religious/Gender/Sexual Orientation/Other (Explanation Required)	1	7	6	7	9	7
Human Trafficking: Labor	3	4	3	0	0	1
Human Trafficking: Sex	4	36	36	31	23	31
Identity Theft/Fraud/Financial Crime	4	75	72	86	83	79
Kidnapping (non-custodial)	2	4	2	5	3	3
Kidnapping (custodial)	3	2	1	2	1	1
Mass Violence (Domestic/International)	1	6	7	7	5	6
Other Vehicular Victimization (e.g., Hit and Run)	1	1	1	3	2	1
Robbery	3	9	11	9	9	9
Stalking/Harassment	4	45	48	51	54	49
Survivors of Homicide Victims	2	62	72	75	54	65
Teen Dating Victimization	1	5	5	4	6	5
Terrorism (Domestic/International)	1	1	1	2	1	1
Other	1	138	116	138	176	142

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	3	3	3	4	81

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Homeless	61	42	41	42	399
Immigrants/Refugees/Asylum Seekers	130	141	140	140	845
LGBTQ	11	28	45	33	209
Veterans	8	4	7	6	32
Victims with Disabilities: Cognitive/ Physical /Mental	57	65	75	94	341
Victims with Limited English Proficiency	150	145	159	119	873
Other	5	3	3	2	410

General Award Information				
Activities Conducted at the Subgrantee Level			Number	Percent
Total number of individuals who received services during the Fiscal Year.			4047	
Total number of anonymous contacts who received services during the Fiscal Year			0	
Number of new individuals who received services from your state for the first time during the Fiscal Year.			2419	59.77 %
Of the clients who received services, how many presented with more than one type of victimization during the Fiscal Year?			923	22.81 %
Number of individuals assisted with a victim compensation application during the Fiscal Year.			692	

Demographics		
Demographic Characteristic of New Individuals Served	Number	Percent
Race/Ethnicity		
American Indian or Alaska Native	8	0.33 %
Asian	32	1.32 %
Black or African American	1404	58.04 %
Hispanic or Latino	360	14.88 %
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	2	0.08 %
White Non-Latino or Caucasian	239	9.88 %
Some Other Race	35	1.45 %
Multiple Races	53	2.19 %
Not Reported	193	7.98 %
Not Tracked	93	3.84 %
Race/Ethnicity Total	2419	
Gender Identity		
Male	548	22.65 %
Female	1834	75.82 %
Other	13	0.54 %
Not Reported	22	0.91 %
Not Tracked	2	0.08 %
Gender Total	2419	
Age		
Age 0- 12	583	24.10 %
Age 13- 17	159	6.57 %
Age 18- 24	268	11.08 %

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Age 25- 59	1217	50.31 %
Age 60 and Older	180	7.44 %
Not Reported	12	0.50 %
Not Tracked	0	0.00 %
Age Total	2419	

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	8	1386	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			A1. Information about the criminal justice process	1217
			A2. Information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.	888
			A3. Referral to other victim service programs	928
			A4. Referral to other services, supports, and resources (includes legal, medical, faith-based organizations, address confidentiality programs, etc.)	1061
B. Personal Advocacy/ Accompaniment	5	886	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			B1. Victim advocacy/accompaniment to emergency medical care	67
			B2. Victim advocacy/accompaniment to medical forensic exam	297
			B3. Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment	150
			B4. Individual advocacy (e.g., assistance in applying for public benefits, return of personal property or effects)	930
			B5. Performance of medical or nonmedical forensic exam or interview or medical evidence collection	215
			B6. Immigration assistance (e.g., special visas, continued presence application, and other immigration relief)	34
			B7. Intervention with employer, creditor, landlord, or academic institution	148
			B8. Child or dependent care assistance (includes coordination of services)	91
			B9. Transportation assistance (includes coordination of services)	299
			B10. Interpreter services	93
C. Emotional Support or Safety	7	2287	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			C1. Crisis intervention (in-person, includes safety planning, etc.)	1674
			C2. Hotline/crisis line counseling	27
			C3. On-scene crisis response (e.g., community crisis response)	26

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Services			C4. Individual counseling	5673
			C5. Support groups (facilitated or peer)	410
			C6. Other Therapy (traditional, cultural, or alternative healing; art, writing, or play therapy, etc.)	244
			C7. Emergency financial assistance	201
D. Shelter/ Housing Services	1	43	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			D1. Emergency shelter or safe house	82
			D2. Transitional housing	145
			D3. Relocation assistance (includes assistance with obtaining housing)	105
E. Criminal/ Civil Justice System Assistance	5	1455	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			E1. Notification of criminal justice events	476
			E2. Victim impact statement assistance	14
			E3. Assistance with restitution	15
			E4. Civil legal assistance in obtaining protection or restraining order	299
			E5. Civil legal assistance with family law issues	254
			E6. Other emergency justice-related assistance	8
			E7. Immigration assistance	456
			E8. Prosecution interview advocacy/accompaniment	93
			E9. Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment	152
			E10. Criminal advocacy/accompaniment	114
E11. Other legal advice and/or counsel	422			

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.
None
Describe any planning or training events held during the reporting period.
None
Describe any program policies changed during the reporting period.
None
Describe any earned media coverage events/episodes during the reporting period.
DC Volunteer Lawyers Project engaged the traditional media to increase awareness of issues facing victims, based on our clients experiences. Discussion included the dynamics of power-based violence in intimate relationships, including how children are victimized by both exposure to domestic violence and by abusers who use them in abusive patterns to coerce and control their adult victims. The media appearances were: Red, Blue & Brady Podcast Interview: What We Don't Know About Domestic Violence (And Guns) Is Deadly (5/15/21) 60 Minutes Episode (pre-interview) (5/24/21) Netflix Sally McNeil Documentary (taped interview) (6/24/21) In September of 2021, Network for Victim Recovery, DC was quoted in a local publication regarding a statement released on our representation of survivors who have bravely come forward in the Kirkland Shipley case. The article details the criminal charges against a high profile rowing coach from the DC area, charged with first and second-degree child sexual abuse. The Women's Center's Director of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault was interviewed by ABC 7 regarding how The Women's Center was adapting to meet the unique needs of victim/survivors during the pandemic with a special focus on the increase of children attacking their parents.
Describe any coordinated responses/services for assisting crime victims during the reporting period.
The Women's Center maintained their MOU partnership with DC SAFE, Wendt Center for Loss and Healing, DC Rape Crisis Center, and JCADA to provide care for victim/survivors through cross referrals and coordinated care. Through the partnership with DC SAFE, one part time RESTORE domestic violence/ sexual assault therapist was based at the DC SAFE shelter DC Volunteer Lawyers Project established new partnerships with Wendt Center for Loss and Healing for cross-referring clients to provide a continuum of holistic services and support to adult and child victims of crime in Washington, DC and Network for Victim Recovery, DC for their new victims rights enforcement project entitled DC's Continuum Offering Victims Enforcement of Rights Services (DC COVERS)
Please discuss the major issues in your state that either assist or prevent victims from receiving assistance during the reporting period.
The COVID-19 outbreak has disproportionately affected the client community who are facing even greater challenges such as unemployment, the loss of benefits, housing uncertainty, and health issues. Throughout the pandemic, volunteer and staff handled their cases virtually and adjusted their services to effectively represent clients in virtually. Staff dedicated more staff time to manage mental health and community support services to assist with negative impacts of the pandemic.
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.
Office of Victim Services and Justice Grants continues to coordinate the Victim Assistance Network (VAN) meetings where all grant funded communities.
Please describe any notable activities at the grantee level during the reporting period that improved delivery of victim services.
NVRDC formed a partnership with a private foundation that provides direct payments to survivors of gun violence. The partnership opened new opportunities for crime victims that may not be eligible for VOCA compensation program due to eligibility requirements.
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
Tzedek DC remains the only OVSJG grantee focused principally on standing up for the victims of economic exploitation (fraud, identity theft, and scams), which the U.S. Department of Justice has defined as an underserved population. The project seeks to increase the reporting of consumer crimes, reduce such criminal activity, promote restitution for victims, and contribute to building a nationwide community of expert crime victims' lawyers and advocates with experience in enforcing crime victims' rights. At The Women's Center, a college student in the Washington, DC area sought out therapy when she realized through conversations with friends that she had been sexually assaulted. When first entering therapy, the client was aware that she was struggling to feel comfortable around men, but had difficulty making sense of her past experiences of body violation. Through therapy, the client developed greater awareness and understanding of how trauma responses have impacted her body's responses and how this has impacted her relationship with men. Through this awareness and emotional processing, the client developed greater self-compassion and enhanced her skills to manage challenging emotions as they arise. Through the safety of the therapist-client relationship, the client developed skills for managing her boundaries around men so that she both feels safe and is able to be in connection with men when desired. As a result of treatment, the client feels more grounded in her sense of self. The client ultimately has greater trust in her body's responses and her ability to set boundaries and keep herself safe. The Wendt Center for Loss and Healing provides trauma-specific services to individuals impacted by violent crime. Children and adults receive trauma-focused, evidence-based individual or group counseling services to reduce mental health symptoms and increase coping skills. During the past year, the Wendt Center served 288 individuals, 72% of which demonstrated an improvement in overall functioning. Therapists meet with individual who have experienced a wide variety of traumatic events such as, sexual assault, the homicide of a loved one, child abuse, intimate partner violence and physical assault. NVRDC provides services to victims of all crime types in the District. Approximately 75% of clients served are sexual assault survivors who enter services through the sexual assault crisis response. The majority of clients served are young women of color. One in ten survivors who receive services through the sexual assault crisis response are older adults. The majority of those served live at or under the poverty line. Safe Shores' Client Advocacy Services and Forensic Services programs provide direct services to child victims of sexual and/or physical abuse in the District of Columbia and enabled the MDT Advancement & Support program to coordinate the District's multi-disciplinary response to investigations of abuse.

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

Victims of federal crime were not served during this reporting period.

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

NVRDC began to experience client's applications being rejected by the Crime Victim's Compensation program due to a lack of photo ID, a requirement that had not been expected of clients in the past. This emerging issue has caused delays and confusion for survivors trying to access compensation funds. NVRDC has been assisting clients with appealing these rejections, resubmitting the application with the photo ID, or finding ways to meet this requirement for clients that do not possess a photo ID. The need for emotional support and crisis response has increased due to the uptick in homicides during the past year. The Wendt Center has experienced an increase in calls for services. The pandemic period has seen a large volume of scams related to COVID-19. Others have engaged in price gouging in violation of DC law, which caps price increases during an emergency at 10%, with two-thirds of all price gouging violations taking place in areas of DC with lower average incomes and higher concentrations of African American residents (Southeast DC).

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

Staff retention was not an issue during this reporting period.

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

OVSJG will release a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) to alert the community based service providers of the availability of funds. The NOFA is a brief summary describing the funding initiative: amount of funding available, eligibility; and instruction for obtaining a copy of the RFA. Whenever OVSJG releases a NOFA, it will typically be published in the DC Register, OVSJG website and the OVSJG electronic grants management system at least one week before the release of the RFA.

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

In addition to the aforementioned sources, OVSJG will distribute the NOFAs/RFAs through its network of community-based and funding organizations, which may include OVSJG current sub-grantees and a number of community-based organizations, funders, listservs and resource agencies that serve or represent a cross section of potential applicants.

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

The Office of Victim Services and Justice Grants requires all OVSJG funded programs to actively participate and coordinate efforts to best serve and fill any gaps in services to victims of crime. Quarterly, DC Victim Assistance Network meetings are held as an opportunity to build professional partnerships and identify coordination opportunities within Washington, DC. One effort that has continued to evolve since last reporting period an expansion of our services to help survivors appeal decisions made by DC s Crime Victims Compensation Program. Under this effort NVRDC staff are able to ensure that survivors of crime know their rights as it relates to appealing decisions from the compensation program.

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

Per reporting period quarter, OVSJG reports the following key performance indicators (KPI) to the City Administrator, Deputy Mayor and Mayor of the District of Columbia: -percent of victims who receive information, support, or a referral from DC Victim Hotline call takers to address caller needs -percent of victims of attempted homicide or homicide who received on-call advocacy at the time of the access to service -percent of victims who received language interpretation services of those that requested services -percent of sexual assault victims who received on-call advocacy at police and/or hospital at the time of access-percent of sub-grantees that are in full compliance of federal and local requirements -percent of budgeted federal grant funds lapsed at the end of the fiscal year -percent of budgeted local grant funds lapsed at the end of the fiscal year -percent of participants in professional education programs who reported learning.