# **TX 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-0040	2019-V2-GX-0011	2020-V2-GX-0004	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00600-ASSI
Federal Award Amount	\$284,101,321.00	\$193,635,780.00	\$143,897,603.00	\$89,893,186.00
Total Amount of Subawards	\$260,459,223.00	\$155,664,114.00	\$7,700,749.00	\$0.00
Total Number of Subawards	448	459	34	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	\$23,642,098.00	\$37,971,666.00	\$136,196,854.00	\$89,893,186.00

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	2018-V2-GX-0040	2019-V2-GX-0011	2020-V2-GX-0004	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00600-ASSI	
Government Agencies Only	145	173	9	0	
Corrections	4	3	0	0	
Courts	3	11	1	0	
Juvenile Justice	6	2	0	0	
Law Enforcement	58	68	5	0	
Prosecutor	45	58	3	0	
Other	29	31	0	0	
Nonprofit Organization Only	283	264	25	0	
Child Abuse Service organization (e.g., child advocacy center)	11	14	2	0	
Coalition (e.g., state domestic violence or sexual assault coalition)	6	4	0	0	
Domestic and Family Violence Organization	49	47	2	0	
Faith-based Organization	25	26	3	0	
Organization Provides Domestic and Family Violence and Sexual Assault Services	54	61	3	0	
Organization by and/or for underserved victims of crime (e.g., drunk driving, homicide, elder abuse)	19	15	2	0	
Sexual Assault Services organization (e.g., rape crisis center)	14	8	5	0	
Multiservice agency	81	63	8	0	
Other	24	26	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	20	22	0	0
Campus-based victims services	18	19	0	0
Law enforcement	0	0	0	0
Physical or mental health service program	2	3	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0
Total Number of Subawards	448	459	34	0

<sup>\*</sup>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 no	ot unique			
	2018-V2-GX-0040	2019-V2-GX-0011	2020-V2-GX-0004	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00600-ASSI
A. Continue a VOCA-funded victim project funded in a previous year	313	391	31	0
B. Expand or enhance an existing project not funded by VOCA in the previous year	56	43	4	0
C. Start up a new victim services project	88	45	1	0
D. Start up a new <b>Native American</b> victim services project	2	0	0	0
E. Expand or enhance an existing <b>Native American</b> project	2	0	0	0

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VOCA and Match Funds A single SAR can select multiple service types. Numbers are not unique						
	2018-V2-GX-0040	2019-V2-GX-0011	2020-V2-GX-0004	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00600-ASSI		
A.INFORMATION & REFERRAL	410	428	31	0		
B.PERSONAL ADVOCACY/ACCOMPANIMENT	368	371	30	0		
C.EMOTIONAL SUPPORT OR SAFETY SERVICES	400	416	30	0		
D.SHELTER/HOUSING SERVICES	209	213	17	0		
E.CRIMINAL/CIVIL JUSTICE SYSTEM ASSISTANCE	319	334	27	0		
F. ASSISTANCE IN FILING COMPENSATION CLAIMS	448	459	34	0		

Priority and Underserved R	equirements			
Priority Area	2018-V2-GX-0040	2019-V2-GX-0011	2020-V2-GX-0004	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00600-ASSI
Child Abuse				
Total Amount	\$79,474,719.00	\$21,918,090.00	\$1,007,114.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	28.00 %	11.00 %	1.00 %	
<b>Domestic and Family Violen</b>	ce			
Total Amount	\$86,437,104.00	\$50,188,813.00	\$2,415,172.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	30.00 %	26.00 %	2.00 %	
Sexual Assault				
Total Amount	\$37,824,996.00	\$34,201,364.00	\$657,846.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	13.00 %	18.00 %	0.00 %	
Underserved				
Total Amount	\$56,721,334.00	\$48,693,502.00	\$3,620,585.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	20.00 %	25.00 %	3.00 %	

Budget and Staffing				
Staffing Information	2018-V2-GX-0040	2019-V2-GX-0011	2020-V2-GX-0004	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00600-ASSI
Total number of paid staff for all subgrantee victimization program and/or services	9396	8234	307	
Number of staff hours funded through this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	6529377	5225413	318721	
Total number of volunteer staff supporting the work of this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	65001	11990	1015	
Number of volunteer hours supporting the work of this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	1433443	979981	70789	

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## AGGREGATED SUBGRANTEE PERFORMANCE MEASURE DATA

Victimization Type						
	Number of Subgrantees	Number of		Who Actually esenting Vict	y Received Se imization	rvices Based
Victimization Type	Indicating Intent to Serve This Victim Type	Quarter 1 Total	Quarter 2 Total	Quarter 3 Total	Quarter 4 Total	Per Quarter Average
Adult Physical Assault (includes Aggravated and Simple Assault)	368	26732	26024	30065	27355	27544
Adult Sexual Assault	375	11828	12556	14667	13132	13045
Adults Sexually Abused/Assaulted as Children	1	4288	4307	4234	4211	4260
Arson	124	234	226	310	222	248
Bullying (Verbal, Cyber or Physical)	197	7064	7100	10767	8313	8311
Burglary	141	2063	2237	3484	3182	2741
Child Physical Abuse or Neglect	4	134403	137822	144469	142735	139857
Child Pornography	162	722	772	923	828	811
Child Sexual Abuse/Assault	2	44320	47390	54968	52765	49860
Domestic and/or Family Violence	33	85123	81406	87963	85759	85062
DUI/DWI Incidents	1	2987	2885	3905	2403	3045
Elder Abuse or Neglect	4	1428	1570	2347	2096	1860
Hate Crime: Racial/Religious/Gender/ Sexual Orientation/Other (Explanation Required)	63	287	328	337	271	305
Human Trafficking: Labor	139	296	310	423	371	350
Human Trafficking: Sex	25	2930	2977	3124	3078	3027
Identity Theft/Fraud/Financial Crime	109	2197	2060	2548	2808	2403
Kidnapping (non-custodial)	121	404	419	602	494	479
Kidnapping (custodial)	121	230	232	391	323	294
Mass Violence (Domestic/International)	12	6070	4786	19180	10701	10184
Other Vehicular Victimization (e.g., Hit and Run)	149	1642	1740	2136	1739	1814
Robbery	178	2854	3531	4523	3362	3567
Stalking/Harassment	300	7334	6869	8243	7732	7544
Survivors of Homicide Victims	3	3765	3814	4123	3975	3919
Teen Dating Victimization	254	567	986	2107	1082	1185
Terrorism (Domestic/International)	86	308	1346	5805	1726	2296
Other	11	17357	18584	18920	21025	18971

Special Classifications of Individuals							
	Number of Individuals Self Reporting a Special Classification						
Special Classifications of Individuals	Quarter 1 Total	Quarter 2 Total	Quarter 3 Total	Quarter 4 Total	Per Quarter Average		
Deaf/Hard of Hearing	426	380	739	636	1644		

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Homeless	8507	8580	8770	10177	37265
Immigrants/Refugees/Asylum Seekers	3896	3163	4185	3937	15506
LGBTQ	1901	1619	2308	2590	5545
Veterans	1148	1515	2962	1481	5312
Victims with Disabilities: Cognitive/ Physical /Mental	10126	10223	11918	11881	34200
Victims with Limited English Proficiency	10216	8796	10019	11074	43563
Other	3093	2951	7006	5122	9104

General Award Information		
Activities Conducted at the Subgrantee Level	Number	Percent
Total number of individuals who received services during the Fiscal Year.	1212096	
Total number of anonymous contacts who received services during the Fiscal Year	125419	
Number of new individuals who received services from your state for the first time during the Fiscal Year.	466701	38.50 %
Of the clients who received services, how many presented with more than one type of victimization during the Fiscal Year?	147725	12.19 %
Number of individuals assisted with a victim compensation application during the Fiscal Year.	78133	

Demographics		
Demographic Characteristic of New Individuals Served	Number	Percent
Race/Ethinicity		
American Indian or Alaska Native	1347	0.29 %
Asian	7321	1.57 %
Black or African American	87617	18.77 %
Hispanic or Latino	173752	37.23 %
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	2320	0.50 %
White Non-Latino or Caucasian	142455	30.52 %
Some Other Race	4339	0.93 %
Multiple Races	8337	1.79 %
Not Reported	28002	6.00 %
Not Tracked	11211	2.40 %
Race/Ethnicity Total	466701	
Gender Identity		
Male	136153	29.17 %
Female	315932	67.69 %
Other	391	0.08 %
Not Reported	11178	2.40 %
Not Tracked	3047	0.65 %
Gender Total	466701	
Age		
Age 0- 12	97266	20.84 %
Age 13- 17	53633	11.49 %
Age 18- 24	54433	11.66 %

Age 25- 59	211721	45.37 %
Age 60 and Older	22569	4.84 %
Not Reported	22787	4.88 %
Not Tracked	4292	0.92 %
Age Total	466701	

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	425	555946	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	
			A1. Information about the criminal justice process	3349
			A2. Information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.	3723
Colorius			A3. Referral to other victim service programs	2732
			A4. Referral to other services, supports, and resources (includes legal, medical, faith-based organizations, address confidentiality programs, etc.)	5286
B. Personal Advocacy/ Accompaniment	373	206071	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	
			B1. Victim advocacy/accompaniment to emergency medical care	149
			B2. Victim advocacy/accompaniment to medical forensic exam	104
			B3. Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment	441
			B4. Individual advocacy (e.g., assistance in applying for public benefits, return of personal property or effects)	4266
			B5. Performance of medical or nonmedical forensic exam or interview or medical evidence collection	89
			B6. Immigration assistance (e.g., special visas, continued presence application, and other immigration relief)	217
			B7. Intervention with employer, creditor, landlord, or academic institution	419
			B8. Child or dependent care assistance (includes coordination of services)	756
			B9. Transportation assistance (includes coordination of services)	888
			B10. Interpreter services	405
			Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	
			C1. Crisis intervention (in-person, includes safety planning, etc.)	5861
			C2. Hotline/crisis line counseling	3007
C. Emotional Support or Safety	417	491906	C3. On-scene crisis response (e.g., community crisis response)	85

Services	dervices		C4. Individual counseling	561370
			C5. Support groups (facilitated or peer)	154986
			C6. Other Therapy (traditional, cultural, or alternative healing; art, writing, or play therapy, etc.)	116041
			C7. Emergency financial assistance	132751
	273	39871	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
D. Shelter/ Housing			D1. Emergency shelter or safe house	367284
Services			D2. Transitional housing	122388
			D3. Relocation assistance (includes assistance with obtaining housing)	18303
	348	706512	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			E1. Notification of criminal justice events	252186
			E2. Victim impact statement assistance	56402
			E3. Assistance with restitution	14806
			E4. Civil legal assistance in obtaining protection or restraining order	540486
E. Criminal/Civil Justice System			E5. Civil legal assistance with family law issues	191508
Assistance			E6. Other emergency justice-related assistance	21378
			E7. Immigration assistance	22736
			E8. Prosecution interview advocacy/accompaniment	16811
			E9. Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment	10242
			E10. Criminal advocacy/accompaniment	49248
			E11. Other legal advice and/or counsel	34963

## 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 period?	ne reporting			
Yes	1			
No	0			

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#### 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 Governor's Public Safety Office (PSO) was able to implement an updated match waiver policy based on the VOCA Fix Legislation that became law during this reporting period. We have streamlined the waiver request process to include a budget adjustment process or a formal letter request from the grantees. This process will allow us to meet OVC s requirements in regards to match waiver documentation.

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

None

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

PSO implemented several coordinated efforts this past year to better serve the citizensof Texas. These efforts included mental health, counseling response teams, reimbursement for crisis stabilization, reimbursement for support services to victims, and court advocacy and accompaniment. Coordination of services also played a key role in cases that monitored the implementation of service plans and court orders regarding child abuse and victims of DWI.

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

The residual effects of the pandemic continue to hinder direct service providers capacity. Local programs are reporting high employee turnover, and limited fund raising capacity due to the current pandemic. These challenges coupled with declining VOCA award amounts, have culminated in unique challenges for the state and local service proviers. In response to these challenges, the Texas Legislature appropriated ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funding to PSO to help alleviate some of these funding challenges that were exacerbated by 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.

Despite the mandatory match waiver stipulated by the VOCA Fix, some subrecipients have chosen to provide cash or in-kind match. These matching funds inherently support the coordination of public and private funding efforts of local projects. Furthermore, many of our supported programs conduct volunteer operations involving the community and refer individuals out to both public and private entities to better meet the needs of victims.

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

We continue to use eGrants as our grant management system, which allows both our office and the subrecipient users real time information about their activities and fund balances.

# 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

PSO allocated a minimum of 10 percent of each year's VOCA grant to each of the priority categories as defined in 28 CFR 91.104. PSO continues to work closely with entities across Texas to expand services to victims of child abuse. Campus-based mental health services projects provide services for child victims of crime. Our office worked to fund improvements in several domestic violence shelters. PSO provided funding to help bring sexual assault programs up to date. We also continue to fund programs that service victims in underserved populations. There are several organizations that work closely with underserved populations including LGBTQ groups as well as groups working with culturally specific and traditionally underserved populations.

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

Despite COVID-19, VOCA funded programs provide federal crime victims with the same level of services available to other crime victims. VOCA funds were used to support multi-disciplinary teams at many local agencies. These teams include members from local, state and federal agencies working together to ensure victims are provided the services and support that they need. Additionally, local agencies may work with their local FBI office on child identification, trafficking activities/victims, and internal crimes. We are supporting ongoing efforts in El Paso in response to the mass casualty event that took place there in 2019. Our office is funding a Family Resiliency Center there, which provides direct services to those impacted by the shooting. The program is a coordinated effort between the county and United Way.

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

A large number of our subrecipients that provide shelter as part of their victim services program are reporting that the demand for that particular service has exceeded their capacity due to limited space. Additionally, the economic impact of COVID-19 is affecting the sources of state funding and private donations for victim services. Programs will be looking to VOCA to close the gap, at a time when VOCA funds are in decline.

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

None to report

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

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Funding announcements and requests for applications are published in the Texas Register through the Texas Office of the Secretary of State, and are posted on our on-line grant management website (eGrants). The coalitions in Texas (Texas Council on Family Violence and Texas Association Against Sexual Assault) also inform their members about the availability of PSO funding opportunities.

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

During the application process, VOCA applicants are required to explain how their organization provides culturally competent services to victims. Cultural competency occurs when: (1) cultural knowledge, awareness and sensitivity are integrated into action and policy; (2) the service is relevant to the needs of the community and provided by trained staff, board members, and management; and (3) an advocate or organization recognizes each client is different with different needs, feelings, ideas and barriers. The information provided by the applicant is used during the funding decisions process.

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

We contract with the 24 regional councils of governments (COGs) to create strategic plans for prioritizing the direct victim service needs within their regional boundaries. These plans must identify the gaps in resources for victim services. The COGs use these plans to make funding recommendations to PSO for specific victim service needs or programs. In addition, based on emergency and/or exigent circumstances, PSO may issue focused solicitations to target specific situations and respond to funding gaps where critical services are needed.

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

We are required to send quarterly reports to the Legislative Budget Board which includes the following measures: Percentage of PSO Grants Complying with PSO Guidelines; Percentage of Grants Monitored; and Number of grants currently operating.

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