

AL Annual State Performance Report

Victim Assistance Formula Grant Program

Reporting Period: [Oct 1, 2021 to Sept 30, 2022]

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

OVC VOCA Assistance Funds					
	2018-V2-GX-0027	2019-V2-GX-0018	2020-V2-GX-0013	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00578-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00697-ASSI
Federal Award Amount	\$49,343,117.00	\$33,390,665.00	\$24,748,443.00	\$15,484,334.00	\$21,643,932.00
Total Amount of Subawards	\$46,063,141.00	\$31,697,159.00	\$11,430,648.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Number of Subawards	100	109	44	0	0
Administrative Funds Amount	\$2,467,155.00	\$1,669,533.00	\$1,237,420.00	\$774,216.00	\$1,082,196.00
Training Funds Amount	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Balance Remaining	\$812,821.00	\$23,973.00	\$12,080,375.00	\$14,710,118.00	\$20,561,736.00

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-0027	2019-V2-GX-0018	2020-V2-GX-0013	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00578-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00697-ASSI
Government Agencies Only	6	2	3	0	0
Corrections	0	0	0	0	0
Courts	0	0	0	0	0
Juvenile Justice	0	0	0	0	0
Law Enforcement	0	0	0	0	0
Prosecutor	3	0	1	0	0
Other	3	2	2	0	0
Nonprofit Organization Only	93	106	41	0	0
Child Abuse Service organization (e.g., child advocacy center)	42	51	22	0	0
Coalition (e.g., state domestic violence or sexual assault coalition)	1	1	0	0	0
Domestic and Family Violence Organization	20	22	7	0	0
Faith-based Organization	0	0	0	0	0
Organization Provides Domestic and Family Violence and Sexual Assault Services	7	12	2	0	0
Organization by and/or for underserved victims of crime (e.g., drunk driving, homicide, elder abuse)	4	6	6	0	0
Sexual Assault Services organization (e.g., rape crisis center)	11	8	0	0	0
Multiservice agency	3	2	2	0	0
Other	5	4	2	0	0
Federally Recognized Tribal Governments, Agencies, and Organizations Only	0	0	0	0	0
Child Abuse Service organization (e.g., child advocacy center)	0	0	0	0	0
Court	0	0	0	0	0
Domestic and Family Violence organization	0	0	0	0	0
Faith-based organization	0	0	0	0	0
Juvenile justice	0	0	0	0	0
Law Enforcement	0	0	0	0	0
Organization provides domestic and family violence and sexual assault services	0	0	0	0	0
Prosecutor	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault Services organization (e.g., rape crisis center)	0	0	0	0	0

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Other justice-based agency	0	0	0	0	0
Other agency that is NOT justice-based (e.g., human services, health, education)	0	0	0	0	0
Organization by and/or for a specific traditionally underserved community	0	0	0	0	0
Organization by and/or for underserved victims of crime (e.g., drunk driving, homicide, elder abuse)	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0
Campus Organizations Only	1	1	0	0	0
Campus-based victims services	1	1	0	0	0
Law enforcement	0	0	0	0	0
Physical or mental health service program	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0
Total Number of Subawards	100	109	44	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					
	2018-V2-GX-0027	2019-V2-GX-0018	2020-V2-GX-0013	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00578-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00697-ASSI
A. Continue a VOCA-funded victim project funded in a previous year	90	108	43	0	0
B. Expand or enhance an existing project not funded by VOCA in the previous year	7	0	0	0	0
C. Start up a new victim services project	9	2	1	0	0
D. Start up a new Native American victim services project	0	0	0	0	0
E. Expand or enhance an existing Native American project	0	0	0	0	0

VOCA and Match Funds					
A single SAR can select multiple service types. Numbers are not unique					
	2018-V2-GX-0027	2019-V2-GX-0018	2020-V2-GX-0013	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00578-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00697-ASSI
A.INFORMATION & REFERRAL	96	108	44	0	0
B.PERSONAL ADVOCACY/ACCOMPANIMENT	87	98	41	0	0
C.EMOTIONAL SUPPORT OR SAFETY SERVICES	93	105	41	0	0
D.SHELTER/HOUSING SERVICES	41	43	15	0	0
E.CRIMINAL/CIVIL JUSTICE SYSTEM ASSISTANCE	81	95	41	0	0
F. ASSISTANCE IN FILING COMPENSATION CLAIMS	99	108	44	0	0

Priority and Underserved Requirements					
Priority Area	2018-V2-GX-0027	2019-V2-GX-0018	2020-V2-GX-0013	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00578-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00697-ASSI
Child Abuse					
Total Amount	\$13,973,650.00	\$9,271,985.00	\$3,460,187.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	28.00 %	28.00 %	14.00 %		
Domestic and Family Violence					
Total Amount	\$14,464,614.00	\$11,937,044.00	\$2,072,651.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	29.00 %	36.00 %	8.00 %		
Sexual Assault					
Total Amount	\$6,396,422.00	\$5,763,100.00	\$375,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	13.00 %	17.00 %	2.00 %		
Underserved					
Total Amount	\$11,227,716.00	\$4,719,946.00	\$5,522,810.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	23.00 %	14.00 %	22.00 %		

Budget and Staffing					
Staffing Information	2018-V2-GX-0027	2019-V2-GX-0018	2020-V2-GX-0013	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00578-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00697-ASSI

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Total number of paid staff for all subgrantee victimization program and/or services	1527	1317	391		
Number of staff hours funded through this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	1770530	1593493	616150		
Total number of volunteer staff supporting the work of this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	6193	5128	723		
Number of volunteer hours supporting the work of this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	1165588	611014	46685		

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)	24	3617	2849	795	964	2056
Adult Sexual Assault	32	1855	1425	1141	1434	1463
Adults Sexually Abused/Assaulted as Children	35	898	213	342	400	463
Arson	3	124	4	3	7	34
Bullying (Verbal, Cyber or Physical)	28	391	539	612	848	597
Burglary	6	3730	3016	231	89	1766
Child Physical Abuse or Neglect	56	3123	3351	2907	3168	3137
Child Pornography	44	266	183	234	208	222
Child Sexual Abuse/Assault	57	5501	5836	3954	4301	4898
Domestic and/or Family Violence	63	13486	11039	9606	9885	11004
DUI/DWI Incidents	10	32	109	57	196	98
Elder Abuse or Neglect	19	360	279	196	130	241
Hate Crime: Racial/Religious/Gender/ Sexual Orientation/Other (Explanation Required)	15	13	13	12	8	11
Human Trafficking: Labor	24	8	9	5	4	6
Human Trafficking: Sex	48	138	142	207	151	159
Identity Theft/Fraud/Financial Crime	11	547	410	54	50	265
Kidnapping (non-custodial)	23	49	28	26	115	54
Kidnapping (custodial)	23	34	9	6	5	13
Mass Violence (Domestic/International)	8	12	12	1	16	10
Other Vehicular Victimization (e.g., Hit and Run)	8	27	17	5	4	13
Robbery	10	56	196	293	241	196
Stalking/Harassment	33	1360	866	666	874	941
Survivors of Homicide Victims	25	1850	1914	1039	929	1433
Teen Dating Victimization	37	73	103	60	70	76
Terrorism (Domestic/International)	4	3	5	2	1	2
Other	11	2355	2285	2213	2461	2328

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	62	61	51	42	342
Homeless	874	627	806	693	6371
Immigrants/Refugees/Asylum Seekers	381	404	390	256	1681
LGBTQ	455	383	347	369	1774
Veterans	134	85	143	128	1260
Victims with Disabilities: Cognitive/ Physical /Mental	948	805	712	655	6530
Victims with Limited English Proficiency	625	516	611	444	2733

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Other	99	56	43	108	732
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General Award Information		
Activities Conducted at the Subgrantee Level	Number	Percent
Total number of individuals who received services during the Fiscal Year.	103255	
Total number of anonymous contacts who received services during the Fiscal Year	3272	
Number of new individuals who received services from your state for the first time during the Fiscal Year.	68521	66.36 %
Of the clients who received services, how many presented with more than one type of victimization during the Fiscal Year?	23105	22.38 %
Number of individuals assisted with a victim compensation application during the Fiscal Year.	5675	

Demographics		
Demographic Characteristic of New Individuals Served	Number	Percent
Race/Ethnicity		
American Indian or Alaska Native	109	0.16 %
Asian	234	0.34 %
Black or African American	23067	33.66 %
Hispanic or Latino	3526	5.15 %
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	41	0.06 %
White Non-Latino or Caucasian	35416	51.69 %
Some Other Race	955	1.39 %
Multiple Races	1358	1.98 %
Not Reported	3109	4.54 %
Not Tracked	706	1.03 %
Race/Ethnicity Total	68521	
Gender Identity		
Male	18841	27.50 %
Female	47357	69.11 %
Other	178	0.26 %
Not Reported	1523	2.22 %
Not Tracked	622	0.91 %
Gender Total	68521	
Age		
Age 0- 12	12641	18.45 %
Age 13- 17	6763	9.87 %
Age 18- 24	7044	10.28 %
Age 25- 59	31585	46.10 %
Age 60 and Older	5017	7.32 %
Not Reported	3521	5.14 %
Not Tracked	1950	2.85 %
Age Total	68521	

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	97	64101	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			A1. Information about the criminal justice process	46705
			A2. Information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.	40430
			A3. Referral to other victim service programs	20628
			A4. Referral to other services, supports, and resources (includes legal, medical, faith-based organizations, address confidentiality programs, etc.)	39700
			Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			B1. Victim advocacy/accompaniment to emergency medical care	8013
			B2. Victim advocacy/accompaniment to medical forensic exam	1753
			B3. Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment	3261
			B4. Individual advocacy (e.g., assistance in applying for public benefits, return of personal property or effects)	37310

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B. Personal Advocacy/ Accompaniment	90	26490	B5. Performance of medical or nonmedical forensic exam or interview or medical evidence collection	6319
			B6. Immigration assistance (e.g., special visas, continued presence application, and other immigration relief)	194
			B7. Intervention with employer, creditor, landlord, or academic institution	1909
			B8. Child or dependent care assistance (includes coordination of services)	4644
			B9. Transportation assistance (includes coordination of services)	17272
			B10. Interpreter services	1700
C. Emotional Support or Safety Services	94	40797	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			C1. Crisis intervention (in-person, includes safety planning, etc.)	30795
			C2. Hotline/crisis line counseling	19068
			C3. On-scene crisis response (e.g., community crisis response)	1349
			C4. Individual counseling	44729
			C5. Support groups (facilitated or peer)	4468
			C6. Other Therapy (traditional, cultural, or alternative healing; art, writing, or play therapy, etc.)	5656
			C7. Emergency financial assistance	2609
D. Shelter/ Housing Services	41	4159	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			D1. Emergency shelter or safe house	27951
			D2. Transitional housing	16663
			D3. Relocation assistance (includes assistance with obtaining housing)	996
E. Criminal/ Civil Justice System Assistance	82	45514	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			E1. Notification of criminal justice events	37173
			E2. Victim impact statement assistance	4061
			E3. Assistance with restitution	10747
			E4. Civil legal assistance in obtaining protection or restraining order	5701
			E5. Civil legal assistance with family law issues	9265
			E6. Other emergency justice-related assistance	2037
			E7. Immigration assistance	686
			E8. Prosecution interview advocacy/accompaniment	13177
			E9. Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment	11778
			E10. Criminal advocacy/accompaniment	31612
E11. Other legal advice and/or counsel	2989			

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.	

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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 most notable issue that prevented victims from receiving services was the reduction in funding made through VOCA's Victim Assistance Program. The overall funding available has dropped over the last several years and has forced victim assistance programs to alter program delivery. For some programs that meant a loss of staff, for others it meant the closure of offices, or the coverage of certain areas. Regardless of the change programs had to make, they were forced to make decisions that negatively affected their capacity to provide services. Undoubtedly, the reduction in VOCA Victim Assistance funding is forcing victims to go without 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 community. Within the MOU, each participating agency describes their organization and the services they will provide for each other. These MOUs are a way to show how all the agencies benefit each agency's overall mission and how when combined they can 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 provides funds for victim services programs to provide essential services to crime victims. LETS does not conduct activities, other than funding, that 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 93 projects during the 2021-2022 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, 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. The 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, 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 biggest issue in the delivery of services to crime victims is the reduction in VOCA Victim Assistance funding. Overall funding for programs was reduced by 16% during the period. With estimates they we will need to cut programs more and more each year until our funds are depleted. The capacity and the number of services provided increase greatly due to the increase in VOCA Victim Assistance funding starting in 2015. However, much of the impact the increase generated is quickly eroding and will diminish over the coming years. The passage of the VOCA Fix signified a great long-term fix for crime victim services. However, without an immediate increase in VOCA Victim Assistance funding to states, programs will have to reduce the services we so greatly increased.

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 experience the loss of two program managers during the reporting period. The loss and subsequent vacancy of two of our program managers did cause delays in the administration of the victim assistance program. These delays impacted the processing of requests for funds and grant adjustment modifications. The remaining program managers and program supervisors were left to pick up the responsibilities of these two positions. These vacancies also resulted in us not meeting 100% of our monitoring plan. However, any monitoring visits not completed would be made up in the coming year. These positions were filled by the end of the fiscal year with new employees.

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 to support agencies that serve populations that have not been previously funded. Unfortunately, due to the reductions in VOCA funding, we were unable to fund new organizations during the reporting period. Nonetheless, we continue to fund several culturally specific agencies whose mission is dedicated to serving marginalized populations. Several victim service programs have made changes to their programs in efforts to improve service delivery to marginalized populations.

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

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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 their communities to identify gaps in services at the local level. Organizations typically work with multi-disciplinary teams, which include the local Department of Human Resources, Law Enforcement Offices, other services providers, other stakeholders, and their clients to identify the pressing needs of crime victims in their service areas. Through this funding, agencies are able to respond to their self-identified, local needs to best meet the needs of crime victims in their area. For example, agencies have secured contracts for interpreting services, expanded counseling programs, utilized transportation assistance to get clients the aid they need, and attempting to start programs in cooperation with other local stakeholders.

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.