

FL 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-0018	2019-V2-GX-0047	2020-V2-GX-0052	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00618-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00725-ASSI
Federal Award Amount	\$210,755,732.00	\$143,823,948.00	\$106,717,018.00	\$66,670,292.00	\$91,878,955.00
Total Amount of Subawards	\$275,544,111.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Number of Subawards	565	0	0	0	0
Administrative Funds Amount	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Training Funds Amount	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Balance Remaining	(\$64,788,379.00)	\$143,823,948.00	\$106,717,018.00	\$66,670,292.00	\$91,878,955.00

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-0018	2019-V2-GX-0047	2020-V2-GX-0052	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00618-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00725-ASSI
Government Agencies Only	246	0	0	0	0
Corrections	2	0	0	0	0
Courts	4	0	0	0	0
Juvenile Justice	0	0	0	0	0
Law Enforcement	177	0	0	0	0
Prosecutor	37	0	0	0	0
Other	26	0	0	0	0
Nonprofit Organization Only	309	0	0	0	0
Child Abuse Service organization (e.g., child advocacy center)	62	0	0	0	0
Coalition (e.g., state domestic violence or sexual assault coalition)	3	0	0	0	0
Domestic and Family Violence Organization	54	0	0	0	0
Faith-based Organization	2	0	0	0	0
Organization Provides Domestic and Family Violence and Sexual Assault Services	64	0	0	0	0
Organization by and/or for underserved victims of crime (e.g., drunk driving, homicide, elder abuse)	40	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault Services organization (e.g., rape crisis center)	14	0	0	0	0
Multiservice agency	66	0	0	0	0
Other	4	0	0	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	10	0	0	0	0
Campus-based victims services	4	0	0	0	0
Law enforcement	0	0	0	0	0
Physical or mental health service program	0	0	0	0	0
Other	6	0	0	0	0
Total Number of Subawards	565	0	0	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-0018	2019-V2-GX-0047	2020-V2-GX-0052	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00618-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00725-ASSI
A. Continue a VOCA-funded victim project funded in a previous year	541	0	0	0	0
B. Expand or enhance an existing project not funded by VOCA in the previous year	15	0	0	0	0
C. Start up a new victim services project	9	0	0	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-0018	2019-V2-GX-0047	2020-V2-GX-0052	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00618-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00725-ASSI
A.INFORMATION & REFERRAL	561	0	0	0	0
B.PERSONAL ADVOCACY/ACCOMPANIMENT	519	0	0	0	0
C.EMOTIONAL SUPPORT OR SAFETY SERVICES	485	0	0	0	0
D.SHELTER/HOUSING SERVICES	131	0	0	0	0
E.CRIMINAL/CIVIL JUSTICE SYSTEM ASSISTANCE	526	0	0	0	0
F. ASSISTANCE IN FILING COMPENSATION CLAIMS	565	0	0	0	0

Priority and Underserved Requirements					
Priority Area	2018-V2-GX-0018	2019-V2-GX-0047	2020-V2-GX-0052	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00618-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00725-ASSI
Child Abuse					
Total Amount	\$40,282,523.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	19.00 %				
Domestic and Family Violence					
Total Amount	\$121,791,815.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	58.00 %				
Sexual Assault					
Total Amount	\$16,937,278.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	8.00 %				
Underserved					
Total Amount	\$59,074,120.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	28.00 %				

Budget and Staffing					
Staffing Information	2018-V2-GX-0018	2019-V2-GX-0047	2020-V2-GX-0052	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00618-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00725-ASSI

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Total number of paid staff for all subgrantee victimization program and/or services	6396				
Number of staff hours funded through this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	9244050				
Total number of volunteer staff supporting the work of this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	12004				
Number of volunteer hours supporting the work of this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	1230912				

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)	159	18980	17790	24271	19274	20078
Adult Sexual Assault	188	5049	5998	5226	5918	5547
Adults Sexually Abused/Assaulted as Children	112	1684	1981	1773	2157	1898
Arson	51	178	166	159	148	162
Bullying (Verbal, Cyber or Physical)	89	1252	1149	1110	1072	1145
Burglary	125	7407	7219	10502	6753	7970
Child Physical Abuse or Neglect	183	7464	9084	9391	9335	8818
Child Pornography	68	1292	1363	278	403	834
Child Sexual Abuse/Assault	186	11338	9500	12465	11344	11161
Domestic and/or Family Violence	245	58115	62674	64070	64316	62293
DUI/DWI Incidents	83	2541	1975	3495	2559	2642
Elder Abuse or Neglect	142	1993	1985	2074	1734	1946
Hate Crime: Racial/Religious/Gender/ Sexual Orientation/Other (Explanation Required)	35	154	169	152	208	170
Human Trafficking: Labor	42	69	80	73	98	80
Human Trafficking: Sex	104	715	714	786	866	770
Identity Theft/Fraud/Financial Crime	117	10544	8384	15244	11125	11324
Kidnapping (non-custodial)	72	489	451	399	343	420
Kidnapping (custodial)	68	68	74	95	74	77
Mass Violence (Domestic/International)	13	231	357	247	334	292
Other Vehicular Victimization (e.g., Hit and Run)	79	1712	1682	4048	1818	2315
Robbery	138	2822	2970	2786	3062	2910
Stalking/Harassment	158	2700	2960	2858	3360	2969
Survivors of Homicide Victims	128	3181	3338	4053	3275	3461
Teen Dating Victimization	63	118	120	159	151	137
Terrorism (Domestic/International)	6	16	17	19	13	16
Other	76	128673	128916	139806	138552	133986

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	209	267	231	249	1415
Homeless	4750	4640	4621	5672	31792
Immigrants/Refugees/Asylum Seekers	3528	3542	3217	3232	15673
LGBTQ	990	1157	1235	1168	6049
Veterans	555	497	663	703	4469
Victims with Disabilities: Cognitive/ Physical /Mental	4808	4963	4988	5273	38536
Victims with Limited English Proficiency	4908	4887	4532	4579	27436

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Other	113010	303	391	344	213762
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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.	1036285	
Total number of anonymous contacts who received services during the Fiscal Year	21890	
Number of new individuals who received services from your state for the first time during the Fiscal Year.	557611	53.81 %
Of the clients who received services, how many presented with more than one type of victimization during the Fiscal Year?	70118	6.77 %
Number of individuals assisted with a victim compensation application during the Fiscal Year.	180513	

Demographics		
Demographic Characteristic of New Individuals Served	Number	Percent
Race/Ethnicity		
American Indian or Alaska Native	640	0.11 %
Asian	2619	0.47 %
Black or African American	96061	17.23 %
Hispanic or Latino	46399	8.32 %
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1003	0.18 %
White Non-Latino or Caucasian	191637	34.37 %
Some Other Race	2693	0.48 %
Multiple Races	4561	0.82 %
Not Reported	205250	36.81 %
Not Tracked	6748	1.21 %
Race/Ethnicity Total	557611	
Gender Identity		
Male	118752	21.30 %
Female	245787	44.08 %
Other	308	0.06 %
Not Reported	188655	33.83 %
Not Tracked	4109	0.74 %
Gender Total	557611	
Age		
Age 0- 12	28318	5.08 %
Age 13- 17	20580	3.69 %
Age 18- 24	43542	7.81 %
Age 25- 59	200291	35.92 %
Age 60 and Older	37512	6.73 %
Not Reported	51129	9.17 %
Not Tracked	176239	31.61 %
Age Total	557611	

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	275	590347	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			A1. Information about the criminal justice process	357519
			A2. Information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.	556012
			A3. Referral to other victim service programs	198885
			A4. Referral to other services, supports, and resources (includes legal, medical, faith-based organizations, address confidentiality programs, etc.)	301353
			Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			B1. Victim advocacy/accompaniment to emergency medical care	14229
			B2. Victim advocacy/accompaniment to medical forensic exam	11479
			B3. Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment	22608
			B4. Individual advocacy (e.g., assistance in applying for public benefits, return of personal property or effects)	201997

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B. Personal Advocacy/ Accompaniment	247	133822	B5. Performance of medical or nonmedical forensic exam or interview or medical evidence collection	12391
			B6. Immigration assistance (e.g., special visas, continued presence application, and other immigration relief)	4360
			B7. Intervention with employer, creditor, landlord, or academic institution	12172
			B8. Child or dependent care assistance (includes coordination of services)	14471
			B9. Transportation assistance (includes coordination of services)	18336
			B10. Interpreter services	10531
C. Emotional Support or Safety Services	241	234972	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			C1. Crisis intervention (in-person, includes safety planning, etc.)	220386
			C2. Hotline/crisis line counseling	93616
			C3. On-scene crisis response (e.g., community crisis response)	16024
			C4. Individual counseling	235898
			C5. Support groups (facilitated or peer)	36901
			C6. Other Therapy (traditional, cultural, or alternative healing; art, writing, or play therapy, etc.)	37055
			C7. Emergency financial assistance	17201
D. Shelter/ Housing Services	97	17803	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			D1. Emergency shelter or safe house	123126
			D2. Transitional housing	13439
			D3. Relocation assistance (includes assistance with obtaining housing)	11386
E. Criminal/ Civil Justice System Assistance	251	783244	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			E1. Notification of criminal justice events	1563618
			E2. Victim impact statement assistance	50781
			E3. Assistance with restitution	41337
			E4. Civil legal assistance in obtaining protection or restraining order	46592
			E5. Civil legal assistance with family law issues	71893
			E6. Other emergency justice-related assistance	20894
			E7. Immigration assistance	8184
			E8. Prosecution interview advocacy/accompaniment	31504
			E9. Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment	19802
			E10. Criminal advocacy/accompaniment	101338
E11. Other legal advice and/or counsel	14954			

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	1
No	0
Number of requests received for education activities during the reporting period.	70
Number of people trained or attending education events during the reporting period.	1639
Number of events conducted during the reporting period.	70
Did the grant support any coordination activities (e.g., with other service providers, law enforcement agencies) during the reporting period?	
Yes	1
No	0
Describe any program or educational materials developed during the reporting period.	
N/A	
Describe any planning or training events held during the reporting period.	
Some of the training topics included: Surviving Secondary Trauma; Effective Strategies for Communicating with People who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing; Understanding Intimate Partner Violence and the Impact on Children; Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner; Cultural Implications in Trauma Informed Care. Planning events- The Bureau Chief attended bi-weekly calls with the DOJ/OVC Consultant to strategically plan for spending.	

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Describe any program policies changed during the reporting period.
N/A
Describe any earned media coverage events/episodes during the reporting period.
N/A
Describe any coordinated responses/services for assisting crime victims during the reporting period.
In this reporting period, 7 Law Enforcement Line of Duty Deaths occurred, in separate incidents, involving, the Hollywood Police Department, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, Tallahassee Police Department, Miami-Dade Police Department, Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Pinellas County Sheriff's Office and the Polk County Sheriff's Office. The Office of the Attorney General (OAG), Regional Victim Services Program Specialists (VSPS) immediately reached out to the law enforcement agency affected and offered assistance. They then worked with the chain of command and the victim's family at each respective agency to guide and help with the Emergency Responder Death Benefit funded through the Victim Compensation Program.
Please discuss the major issues in your state that either assist or prevent victims from receiving assistance during the reporting period.
In some remote areas of the state, there are few or no local agencies to assist victims who may have difficulty completing forms and filing applications for compensation. Affordable housing and transportation continue to be an issue for all crime victims. Critical staffing shortages may have impacted providers' ability to help victims. The lack of volunteers also was a detriment to 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 Victim Services Program Specialists provide trainings on Victim Compensation Programs, Address Confidentiality Program to local service providers and other allied professionals to help identify victims and refer them to services. These trainings used to be in person, however they are now offered either in person or virtually. The Advocates participate in a wide range of community meetings like Victims Rights Coalitions, Human Trafficking Coalitions, Senior Services, and Fatality Review Teams for Domestic Violence, Elder Abuse, and Child Abuse. Several employees continue to participate in community exercises to prepare for mass disasters and participate on local mass casualty response groups. The Bureau Chief and Division Director continued to serve on Statewide work groups and meet with statewide stakeholders to coordinate services public and private efforts to assist crime victims.
Please describe any notable activities at the grantee level during the reporting period that improved delivery of victim services.
The OAG awarded funding to 10 new programs which included 5 Human Trafficking organizations and 1 Children's Advocacy Center. In addition to funding current subgrantees for an additional cycle, the OAG increased the funding of 13 current subgrantees' awards through an amendment process after the start of the grant year providing them with much needed funds to continue operations. This included providing funding for comprehensive and confidential legal services to victims of sexual assault through the Florida Council Against Sexual Violence.
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
Although many of the awarded agencies continued to provide services to victims of the priority categories, some agencies specialize in services to specific victims. For example, child protection teams and children's advocacy centers are awarded funds to provide services to victims of child abuse. The certified domestic violence centers continue to be funded at the local level and continue to receive funding for other projects. The Florida Council Against Sexual Violence continued to receive funding for victims of sexual assault along with the certified rape crisis centers. Funding for underserved victims of crime are awarded to agencies providing services to survivors of homicide, victims with disabilities, victims of elder abuse, victims of DUI/DWI and human trafficking victims. Project Cold Case, a unique VOCA subgrantee continued to receive funding to provide services to families of victims in unsolved homicide cases.
Please briefly describe efforts taken to serve Victims of Federal crime during the reporting period.
The OAG Regional Victim Services Program Specialists continue to work with the FBI Victim Advocate Units throughout the state. A Victim Compensation Training was held for all Florida FBI Victim Advocates in June of 2022 to educate them and provide awareness of the Victim Compensation Program. This training also provided networking between the FBI and the Office of the Attorney General and the roles of their respective positions. In addition, the Agency continued to work with the DOJ/OVC consultant to enhance victim services in Florida.
Please identify any emerging issues or notable trends affecting crime victim services in your state during the reporting period.
Undocumented victims fear deportation, having their children taken away or facing more violence from the perpetrator, if they report to law enforcement. In some remote areas of the state, there are few or no agencies to assist victims who may have difficulty completing and filing applications and required documentation.
Please briefly outline any staffing retention issues that your victim assistance program has and why these issues may occur during the reporting period.
High turnover rate due to insufficient salary and extremely heavy workload.
Please explain your state process to publicize its victim assistance funding for services to victims of crime during the reporting period.
The priority 10% will be allocated and additional needed services for victim populations will be reviewed and awarded as appropriate. Additional needs for victim services are identified through meetings with stakeholders, including representatives from the Coalition Against Domestic Violence/Department of Children and Families, Florida Council Against Sexual Violence, the Department of Health, Children's Medical Services, the Florida Network of Children's Advocacy Centers and other professionals in the victim services field. In December of each year, the Office of the Attorney General distributes a Notice of Availability for the upcoming Fiscal Year funding to hundreds of agencies throughout the state notifying them of the opportunity to apply for VOCA funding in the following manner: Published in the Florida Administrative Weekly, posted on the OAG website, distributed to hundreds of agencies throughout the state via mail, distributed to all registered users in the EGrants system, distributed at community coalition and task force meetings throughout the state by regional OAG Victim Advocacy staff, notification to statewide organizations by the Bureau Chief, discussion at workgroups and taskforces attended by the Division Director and the Bureau Chief, the Division Director and the Bureau Chief reach out to the Coalition Against Domestic Violence/Department of Children and Families, the Florida Council Against Sexual Violence, Department of Health Children's Medical Services and The Florida Network of Children's Advocacy Centers, to discuss funding larger projects that would benefit victims on a statewide basis. Both the Division Director and the Bureau Chief attend meetings throughout the state, speak with interested agencies and serve on task forces and workgroups where they consistently educate statewide stakeholders about the availability of VOCA funding. Although not all inclusive, some examples over the recent past years: Florida Sheriff's Association, Florida Police Chief's Association, State Law Enforcement Chief's Association, Florida Domestic Security Oversight Committee, FirstNet, State of Florida Statewide Council on Human Trafficking, Florida Council Against Sexual Violence, Florida Opioid Task Force, Statewide Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team, International Association of Chiefs of Police, Florida's Missing Endangered Persons, Information Clearinghouse, Special Olympics Florida, Board of Directors Alliance for Safety and Justice, The National Alliance for Drug Endangered Children, Florida Department of Children and Families- Adult Protective Services, Florida Department of Elder Affairs, Florida Department of Juvenile Justice, Statewide Guardian ad Litem Program, Urban League Consortium. As always, our office is committed to outreach to all organizations brought to our attention throughout the year.
Please explain how your state is able to direct funding to new/underserved populations during the reporting period.
In addition to the current subgrantees, the OAG funded 10 new service providers during this review period
Please explain how your program is able to respond to gaps in services during the reporting period.
In addition to the response in number 20, the OAG created a position to work with communities throughout the state to ensure victim service providers have a documented plan for response in times of mass criminal incidents.
Please list and explain any outcome measure(s) that are reported to the governor, legislature, or other state entity during the reporting period.
The Division of Victim Services publishes an annual report that is provided to the legislature and Governor.