AL Annual State Performance Report

Victim Assistance Formula Grant Program

Reporting Period: [Oct 1, 2022 to Sept 30, 2023]

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

OVC VOCA Assistance Funds					
	2019-V2-GX-0018	2020-V2-GX-0013	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00578-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00697-ASSI	2023-15POVC-23-GG-00415-ASSI
Federal Award Amount	\$33,390,665.00	\$24,748,443.00	\$15,484,334.00	\$21,643,932.00	\$20,429,574.00
Total Amount of Subawards	\$32,175,661.00	\$24,665,762.00	\$10,279,559.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Number of Subawards	111	93	40	0	0
Administrative Funds Amount	\$1,669,533.00	\$1,237,420.00	\$774,216.00	\$1,082,196.00	\$1,021,478.00
Training Funds Amount	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Balance Remaining	(\$454,529.00)	(\$1,154,739.00)	\$4,430,559.00	\$20,561,736.00	\$19,408,096.00

Subgrantee Organization Type The total number of subgrants represents all subgrants funded across all federal award unique as there are subgrantee organizations that are continuously funded from each forms.	Is active during the reporting per rederal award.	iod. The number is not			
Type of Organization	2019-V2-GX-0018	2020-V2-GX-0013	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00578-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00697-ASSI	2023-15POVC-23-GG-00415-ASSI
Government Agencies Only	3	3	2	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	0	1	1	0	0
Other	3	2	1	0	0
Nonprofit Organization Only	107	89	38	0	0
Child Abuse Service organization (e.g., child advocacy center)	51	42	17	0	0
Coalition (e.g., state domestic violence or sexual assault coalition)	1	1	0	0	0
Domestic and Family Violence Organization	22	15	10	0	0
Faith-based Organization	0	0	0	0	0
Organization Provides Domestic and Family Violence and Sexual Assault Services	13	9	4	0	0
Organization by and/or for underserved victims of crime (e.g., drunk driving, homicide, elder abuse)	6	8	4	0	0
Sexual Assault Services organization (e.g., rape crisis center)	8	6	1	0	0
Multiservice agency	2	4	1	0	0
Other	4	4	1	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
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

Page 1 of 6 Last Modified Date: 04/17/2024

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	111	93	40	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					
	2019-V2-GX-0018	2020-V2-GX-0013	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00578-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00697-ASSI	2023-15POVC-23-GG-00415-ASSI
A. Continue a VOCA-funded victim project funded in a previous year	110	92	40	0	0
B. Expand or enhance an existing project not funded by VOCA in the previous year	0	0	0	0	0
C. Start up a new victim services project	2	1	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					
	2019-V2-GX-0018	2020-V2-GX-0013	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00578-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00697-ASSI	2023-15POVC-23-GG-00415-ASSI
A.INFORMATION & REFERRAL	109	91	40	0	0
B.PERSONAL ADVOCACY/ACCOMPANIMENT	99	84	37	0	0
C.EMOTIONAL SUPPORT OR SAFETY SERVICES	106	87	38	0	0
D.SHELTER/HOUSING SERVICES	43	35	18	0	0
E.CRIMINAL/CIVIL JUSTICE SYSTEM ASSISTANCE	96	81	37	0	0
F. ASSISTANCE IN FILING COMPENSATION CLAIMS	109	91	40	0	0

Priority and Underserved Re	quirements				
Priority Area	2019-V2-GX-0018	2020-V2-GX-0013	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00578-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00697-ASSI	2023-15POVC-23-GG-00415-ASSI
Child Abuse			·		
Total Amount	\$9,271,985.00	\$8,353,993.00	\$2,889,738.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	28.00 %	34.00 %	19.00 %		
Domestic and Family Violence	e				
Total Amount	\$11,937,044.00	\$5,990,635.00	\$3,261,579.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	36.00 %	24.00 %	21.00 %		
Sexual Assault					
Total Amount	\$5,821,325.00	\$2,853,079.00	\$319,273.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	17.00 %	12.00 %	2.00 %		
Underserved					
Total Amount	\$5,140,223.00	\$7,468,015.00	\$3,808,969.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	15.00 %	30.00 %	25.00 %		

Budget and Staffing					
Staffing Information	2019-V2-GX-0018	2020-V2-GX-0013	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00578-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00697-ASSI	2023-15POVC-23-GG-00415-ASSI
Total number of paid staff for all subgrantee victimization program and/or services	1323	930	526602		
Number of staff hours funded through this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	1623236	46120501	417290		
Total number of volunteer staff supporting the work of this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	5161	1853	1686		
Number of volunteer hours supporting the work of this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	612074	594143	510986		

AGGREGATED SUBGRANTEE PERFORMANCE MEASURE DATA

Victimization Type							
Victimization Type	Number of Subgrantees Indicating Intent to Serve	Number of Individuals Who Actually Received Services Based on a Presenting Victimization					
victimization Type	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)	27	1075	1279	1060	1275	1172	

Page 2 of 6 Last Modified Date: 04/17/2024

Adult Sexual Assault	32	1604	1423	1142	1453	1405
Adults Sexually Abused/Assaulted as Children	35	316	332	335	383	341
Arson	5	4	6	14	10	8
Bullying (Verbal, Cyber or Physical)	31	787	1143	723	309	740
Burglary	8	46	207	59	71	95
Child Physical Abuse or Neglect	55	2923	3356	3074	3227	3145
Child Pornography	45	161	178	179	356	218
Child Sexual Abuse/Assault	56	3681	4077	3551	3394	3675
Domestic and/or Family Violence	67	8339	9682	9596	9509	9281
DUI/DWI Incidents	9	209	146	148	265	192
Elder Abuse or Neglect	23	136	131	178	197	160
Hate Crime: Racial/Religious/Gender/ Sexual Orientation/Other (Explanation Required)	12	7	6	10	8	7
Human Trafficking: Labor	19	5	8	14	6	8
Human Trafficking: Sex	52	134	141	97	101	118
Identity Theft/Fraud/Financial Crime	10	39	43	42	52	44
Kidnapping (non-custodial)	25	55	46	32	33	41
Kidnapping (custodial)	24	15	12	14	12	13
Mass Violence (Domestic/International)	9	7	6	36	9	14
Other Vehicular Victimization (e.g., Hit and Run)	7	5	11	5	7	7
Robbery	9	69	84	70	87	77
Stalking/Harassment	37	656	901	770	927	813
Survivors of Homicide Victims	28	885	848	888	986	901
Teen Dating Victimization	42	79	70	69	76	73
Terrorism (Domestic/International)	6	5	1	1	1	2
Other	9	1172	2113	2015	2387	1921

Special Classifications of Individuals					
Special Classifications of Individuals		Number of Inc	lividuals 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	60	46	76	69	418
Homeless	766	681	778	842	7127
Immigrants/Refugees/Asylum Seekers	337	330	321	460	2030
LGBTQ	403	431	408	374	2142
Veterans	119	171	97	115	1373
Victims with Disabilities: Cognitive/ Physical /Mental	586	705	807	675	7196
Victims with Limited English Proficiency	528	597	558	768	3333
Other	125	102	108	540	980

General Award Information		
Activities Conducted at the Subgrantee Level	Number	Percent
Total number of individuals who received services during the Fiscal Year.	63885	
Total number of anonymous contacts who received services during the Fiscal Year	17319	
Number of new individuals who received services from your state for the first time during the Fiscal Year.	41646	65.19 %
Of the clients who received services, how many presented with more than one type of victimization during the Fiscal Year?	14490	22.68 %
Number of individuals assisted with a victim compensation application during the Fiscal Year.	6583	

Demographics		
Demographic Characteristic of New Individuals Served	Number	Percent
Race/Ethinicity		
American Indian or Alaska Native	159	0.38 %
Asian	155	0.37 %
Black or African American	13837	33.23 %
Hispanic or Latino	2908	6.98 %
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	54	0.13 %
White Non-Latino or Caucasian	21077	50.61 %
Some Other Race	291	0.70 %
Multiple Races	1160	2.79 %
Not Reported	1412	3.39 %
Not Tracked	593	1.42 %
Race/Ethnicity Total	41646	

Gender Identity		
Male	9862	23.68 %
Female	30335	72.84 %
Other	114	0.27 %
Not Reported	794	1.91 %
Not Tracked	541	1.30 %
Gender Total	41646	
Age		
Age 0- 12	9304	22.34 %
Age 13- 17	4882	11.72 %
Age 18- 24	4214	10.12 %
Age 25- 59	17199	41.30 %
Age 60 and Older	1928	4.63 %
Not Reported	1581	3.80 %
Not Tracked	2538	6.09 %
Age Total	41646	

Couries Aues	# of Subgrantees That Provided	# of Individuals/Contacts	Specific Semiles	Frequency of
Service Area	Services in This Category	Receiving Services	Specific Service	Service
			Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	
			A1. Information about the criminal justice process	3044
A. Information & Referral	86	47303	A2. Information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.	2726
			A3. Referral to other victim service programs	1512
			A4. Referral to other services, supports, and resources (includes legal, medical, faith-based organizations, address confidentiality programs, etc.)	41243
			Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	
			B1. Victim advocacy/accompaniment to emergency medical care	6137
			B2. Victim advocacy/accompaniment to medical forensic exam	1420
			B3. Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment	2572
			B4. Individual advocacy (e.g., assistance in applying for public benefits, return of personal property or effects)	38235
B. Personal Advocacy/ Accompaniment	80	25581	B5. Performance of medical or nonmedical forensic exam or interview or medical evidence collection	5466
			B6. Immigration assistance (e.g., special visas, continued presence application, and other immigration relief)	136
			B7. Intervention with employer, creditor, landlord, or academic institution	1729
			B8. Child or dependent care assistance (includes coordination of services)	5305
			B9. Transportation assistance (includes coordination of services)	18189
			B10. Interpreter services	1934
			Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	(
			C1. Crisis intervention (in-person, includes safety planning, etc.)	24629
			C2. Hotline/crisis line counseling	16483
C. Emotional Support or			C3. On-scene crisis response (e.g., community crisis response)	251
Safety Services	83	36205	C4. Individual counseling	42080
			C5. Support groups (facilitated or peer)	4782
			C6. Other Therapy (traditional, cultural, or alternative healing; art, writing, or play therapy, etc.)	5172
			C7. Emergency financial assistance	1871
			Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	(
D. Shelter/ Housing Services	36	3757	D1. Emergency shelter or safe house	18135
D. Shehei/ Housing Services	30 3/3/	D2. Transitional housing	19937	
			D3. Relocation assistance (includes assistance with obtaining housing)	558
			Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	(
			E1. Notification of criminal justice events	17118
			E2. Victim impact statement assistance	2595
			E3. Assistance with restitution	207
			E4. Civil legal assistance in obtaining protection or restraining order	5212
E. Criminal/ Civil Justice	69	34207	E5. Civil legal assistance with family law issues	7679
System Assistance	69	34207	E6. Other emergency justice-related assistance	1770
			E7. Immigration assistance	601
			E8. Prosecution interview advocacy/accompaniment	1482

Page 4 of 6 Last Modified Date: 04/17/2024

E9. Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment	1981
E10. Criminal advocacy/accompaniment	21484
E11. Other legal advice and/or counsel	3609

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.	

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

Describe any program policies changed during the reporting period.

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

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 the 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. Overall funding continues to drop, forcing victim assistance programs to alter their program delivery. For some programs that meant a reduction or a loss of staff, for others it meant the closure of offices, providing less coverage to their service area, or a reduction in the types of available services. Regardless of programs' changes, they were forced to make decisions that negatively affected their capacity to provide services. Undoubtedly, the reduction in VOCA Victim Assistance funding is forcing areas of the state and 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 its organization and the services it will provide for each other. These MOUs are a way to show how all the agencies benefit each agency! 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 making subgrants, 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 88 projects during the 2022-2023 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 are 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 that work with victims who have been affected by sexual abuse. Subrecipients provide several 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 hearings. VOCAL and Wiregrass Angel House are VOCA Victim Assistance funded projects that work with family members of homicide victims. Services provided to these types of victims include crime scene clean up, shelter before court hearings, accompaniment during 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 fund two agencies to specifically serve victims of human trafficking. These agencies can provide 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 as victims of state/local crimes. Several agencies continue to coordinate and operate with federal organizations to offer their facilities and 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.

Page 5 of 6 Last Modified Date: 04/17/2024

The biggest issue affecting services to crime victims is the reduction in VOCA Victim Assistance funding. Overall funding for programs was reduced by 10% during the period. With estimates showing we will need to cut programs again and again each year until our funds are depleted. This year is the fifth consecutive year of cuts to victim service providers. The amount of funding some agencies received this year is less than the amount they received before the increase in VOCA funding back in 2015. Without a doubt, the biggest issue affecting the ability to serve crime victims is the amount of funding available to provide services. The increase in VOCA funding back in 2015 greatly increased the capacity to provide services but over the last several years the reduction in VOCA funding has seen most of that capacity greatly reduced. The passage of the VOCA Fix signified a possible long-term fix for crime victim services. However, without an immediate increase in VOCA Victim Assistance funding to states, programs will have to continue to reduce the services that are greatly needed.

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 supervisors during the reporting period. The loss and subsequent vacancy of two of our program supervisors did cause delays in the administration of the victim assistance program. These delays impacted the processing of requests for funds, and processing of subaward modifications, and contributed to delays in on-site monitoring. These vacancies coupled with delays in transitioning to an online grants management system have delayed our ability to start our new monitoring schedule. We are hoping that these supervisor positions will be filled soon, and we can improve our ability to provide effective grant administration while working to complete our monitoring plan.

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 requests 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 that 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 effort to improve service delivery to marginalized populations.

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

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs' Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Division believes in Local leadership with State partnership. This means we entrust our subrecipients and 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 service providers, other stakeholders, and their clients to identify the pressing needs of crime victims in their service areas. Through this funding, agencies can 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 attempted 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 quarterly the number of victims served to a Legislative Oversight Committee.

Page 6 of 6 Last Modified Date: 04/17/2024