LA 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				
	2020-V2-GX-0010	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00628-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00752-ASSI	2023-15POVC-23-GG-00440-ASSI
Federal Award Amount	\$23,490,366.00	\$14,643,360.00	\$19,899,389.00	\$18,528,422.00
Total Amount of Subawards	\$21,865,136.00	\$13,989,919.00	\$2,338,703.00	\$0.00
Total Number of Subawards	204	202	15	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	\$1,625,230.00	\$653,441.00	\$17,560,686.00	\$18,528,422.00

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Type of Organization	2020-V2-GX-0010	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00628-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00752-ASSI	2023-15POVC-23-GG-00440-ASSI
Government Agencies Only	86	86	4	0
Corrections	2	3	1	0
Courts	2	3	2	(
Juvenile Justice	1	1	0	C
Law Enforcement	43	42	0	C
Prosecutor	30	30	0	C
Other	8	7	1	(
Nonprofit Organization Only	117	113	10	0
Child Abuse Service organization (e.g., child advocacy center)	29	29	2	O
Coalition (e.g., state domestic violence or sexual assault coalition)	4	4	0	C
Domestic and Family Violence Organization	23	24	0	(
Faith-based Organization	3	1	1	(
Organization Provides Domestic and Family Violence and Sexual Assault Services	6	8	0	(
Organization by and/or for underserved victims of crime (e.g., drunk driving, homicide, elder abuse)	6	2	2	(
Sexual Assault Services organization (e.g., rape crisis center)	10	10	1	C
Multiservice agency	21	22	3	(
Other	15	13	1	(
Federally Recognized Tribal Governments, Agencies, and Organizations Only	0	2	0	(
Child Abuse Service organization (e.g., child advocacy center)	0	0	0	(
Court	0	0	0	(
Domestic and Family Violence organization	0	0	0	(
Faith-based organization	0	0	0	(
Juvenile justice	0	0	0	(
Law Enforcement	0	0	0	(
Organization provides domestic and family violence and sexual assault services	0	1	0	(
Prosecutor	0	0	0	(
Sexual Assault Services organization (e.g., rape crisis center)	0	0	0	(
Other justice-based agency	0	0	0	(
Other agency that is NOT justice-based (e.g., human services, health, education)	0	0	0	(

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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	1	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0
Campus Organizations Only	1	1	1	0
Campus-based victims services	0	0	0	0
Law enforcement	0	0	0	0
Physical or mental health service program	0	0	0	0
Other	1	1	1	0
Total Number of Subawards	204	202	15	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	:			
	2020-V2-GX-0010	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00628-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00752-ASSI	2023-15POVC-23-GG-00440-ASSI
A. Continue a VOCA-funded victim project funded in a previous year	194	196	15	0
B. Expand or enhance an existing project not funded by VOCA in the previous year	2	3	0	0
C. Start up a new victim services project	8	3	0	0
D. Start up a new Native American victim services project	0	0	0	0
E. Expand or enhance an existing Native American project	0	0	0	0

VOCA and Match Funds A single SAR can select multiple service types. Numbers are not un	nique			
	2020-V2-GX-0010	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00628-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00752-ASSI	2023-15POVC-23-GG-00440-ASSI
A.INFORMATION & REFERRAL	204	201	15	0
B.PERSONAL ADVOCACY/ACCOMPANIMENT	150	154	9	0
C.EMOTIONAL SUPPORT OR SAFETY SERVICES	133	135	9	0
D.SHELTER/HOUSING SERVICES	58	57	2	0
E.CRIMINAL/CIVIL JUSTICE SYSTEM ASSISTANCE	122	129	10	0
F. ASSISTANCE IN FILING COMPENSATION CLAIMS	204	202	15	0

Priority and Underserved Re	quirements			
Priority Area	2020-V2-GX-0010	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00628-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00752-ASSI	2023-15POVC-23-GG-00440-ASSI
Child Abuse				
Total Amount	\$6,325,997.00	\$4,085,529.00	\$410,623.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	27.00 %	28.00 %	2.00 %	
Domestic and Family Violence	e			
Total Amount	\$6,886,077.00	\$4,618,207.00	\$903,536.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	29.00 %	32.00 %	5.00 %	
Sexual Assault				
Total Amount	\$5,019,127.00	\$3,088,008.00	\$567,489.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	21.00 %	21.00 %	3.00 %	
Underserved		-		
Total Amount	\$3,606,864.00	\$2,090,107.00	\$413,825.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	15.00 %	14.00 %	2.00 %	

Budget and Staffing				
Staffing Information	2020-V2-GX-0010	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00628-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00752-ASSI	2023-15POVC-23-GG-00440-ASSI
Total number of paid staff for all subgrantee victimization program and/or services	33870	906	91	

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Number of staff hours funded through this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	859685	633283	46343	
Total number of volunteer staff supporting the work of this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	3841	9296	113	
Number of volunteer hours supporting the work of this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	142108	96554	21322	

AGGREGATED SUBGRANTEE PERFORMANCE MEASURE DATA

Victimization Type						
Victimization Type	Number of Subgrantees Indicating Intent	Number of Individuals Who Actually Received Services Based on a Presenting Victimization				
vicumization Type	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)	169	2854	3365	3459	3541	3304
Adult Sexual Assault	224	1464	1566	1523	1365	1479
Adults Sexually Abused/Assaulted as Children	157	377	412	498	384	417
Arson	77	67	99	112	110	97
Bullying (Verbal, Cyber or Physical)	126	1077	1194	1337	1136	1186
Burglary	102	1405	1558	1541	1547	1512
Child Physical Abuse or Neglect	256	5416	4763	5221	4713	5028
Child Pornography	162	147	169	172	206	173
Child Sexual Abuse/Assault	257	3109	3640	3846	3683	3569
Domestic and/or Family Violence	274	10873	11710	11971	11890	11611
DUI/DWI Incidents	76	228	389	217	242	269
Elder Abuse or Neglect	123	101	125	125	117	117
Hate Crime: Racial/Religious/Gender/ Sexual Orientation/Other (Explanation Required)	87	6	5	7	6	6
Human Trafficking: Labor	91	28	33	20	26	26
Human Trafficking: Sex	172	171	263	317	372	280
Identity Theft/Fraud/Financial Crime	84	624	860	759	763	751
Kidnapping (non-custodial)	89	78	76	101	60	78
Kidnapping (custodial)	87	51	44	35	61	47
Mass Violence (Domestic/International)	62	24	28	39	21	28
Other Vehicular Victimization (e.g., Hit and Run)	82	356	445	413	382	399
Robbery	104	681	606	638	593	629
Stalking/Harassment	179	929	1076	1026	1145	1044
Survivors of Homicide Victims	141	887	1221	1422	1192	1180
Teen Dating Victimization	166	753	1365	500	877	873
Terrorism (Domestic/International)	53	26	25	167	15	58
Other	39	84020	97618	111270	99369	98069

Special Classifications of Individuals								
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	73	96	101	97	459			
Homeless	2526	1068	1006	937	8149			
Immigrants/Refugees/Asylum Seekers	1624	1641	1618	1701	5338			
LGBTQ	315	330	406	397	2120			
Veterans	135	152	149	147	754			
Victims with Disabilities: Cognitive/ Physical /Mental	1444	1968	1928	1834	12054			
Victims with Limited English Proficiency	453	589	592	488	3865			
Other	1143	1129	1359	95087	129639			

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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.	137227	
Total number of anonymous contacts who received services during the Fiscal Year	367413	
Number of new individuals who received services from your state for the first time during the Fiscal Year.	91117	66.40 %
Of the clients who received services, how many presented with more than one type of victimization during the Fiscal Year?	20912	15.24 %
Number of individuals assisted with a victim compensation application during the Fiscal Year.	26730	

Demographics		
Demographic Characteristic of New Individuals Served	Number	Percent
Race/Ethinicity		
American Indian or Alaska Native	371	0.41 %
Asian	446	0.49 %
Black or African American	32647	35.83 %
Hispanic or Latino	3308	3.63 %
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	112	0.12 %
White Non-Latino or Caucasian	35371	38.82 %
Some Other Race	1709	1.88 %
Multiple Races	1701	1.87 %
Not Reported	5218	5.73 %
Not Tracked	10234	11.23 %
Race/Ethnicity Total	91117	
Gender Identity		
Male	26798	29.41 %
Female	52454	57.57 %
Other	96	0.11 %
Not Reported	1591	1.75 %
Not Tracked	10178	11.17 %
Gender Total	91117	
Age		
Age 0-12	15294	16.79 %
Age 13- 17	11641	12.78 %
Age 18- 24	8694	9.54 %
Age 25- 59	33634	36.91 %
Age 60 and Older	4671	5.13 %
Not Reported	6022	6.61 %
Not Tracked	11161	12.25 %
Age Total	91117	

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	323	84029	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0				
			A1. Information about the criminal justice process	49601				
			A2. Information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.	69922				
			A3. Referral to other victim service programs	43521				
			A4. Referral to other services, supports, and resources (includes legal, medical, faith-based organizations, address confidentiality programs, etc.)	38636				
			Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0				
			B1. Victim advocacy/accompaniment to emergency medical care	4393				
			B2. Victim advocacy/accompaniment to medical forensic exam	6014				
			B3. Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment	10472				
			B4. Individual advocacy (e.g., assistance in applying for public benefits, return of personal property or effects)	48466				

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B. Personal Advocacy/ Accompaniment	237	33680	B5. Performance of medical or nonmedical forensic exam or interview or medical evidence collection	8220
			B6. Immigration assistance (e.g., special visas, continued presence application, and other immigration relief)	3196
			B7. Intervention with employer, creditor, landlord, or academic institution	5328
			B8. Child or dependent care assistance (includes coordination of services)	5607
			B9. Transportation assistance (includes coordination of services)	16921
			B10. Interpreter services	4661
			Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			C1. Crisis intervention (in-person, includes safety planning, etc.)	45818
			C2. Hotline/crisis line counseling	15825
C. Emotional Support or			C3. On-scene crisis response (e.g., community crisis response)	5241
Safety Services	227	35587	C4. Individual counseling	49543
			C5. Support groups (facilitated or peer)	15963
			C6. Other Therapy (traditional, cultural, or alternative healing; art, writing, or play therapy, etc.)	23547
			C7. Emergency financial assistance	11629
	91	2588	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
D. Shelter/ Housing			D1. Emergency shelter or safe house	30201
Services			D2. Transitional housing	1266
			D3. Relocation assistance (includes assistance with obtaining housing)	715
	208	53515	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			E1. Notification of criminal justice events	49647
			E2. Victim impact statement assistance	8489
			E3. Assistance with restitution	8887
			E4. Civil legal assistance in obtaining protection or restraining order	40727
E. Criminal/ Civil Justice System Assistance			E5. Civil legal assistance with family law issues	24246
			E6. Other emergency justice-related assistance	9883
			E7. Immigration assistance	3256
			E8. Prosecution interview advocacy/accompaniment	10118
			E9. Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment	8263
			E10. Criminal advocacy/accompaniment	18980
			E11. Other legal advice and/or counsel	4264

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.		
Number of people trained or attending education events during the reporting period.		
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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Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement had no policy changes during the reporting period.

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

LCLE did not participate in any earned media coverage events/episodes during the reporting period.

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

There were no coordinated responses/ services for assisting crime victims during the reporting period.

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

Providing emergency assistance to victims and witnesses who are in eminent fear or danger is an ongoing challenge. Victims and witnesses are reluctant to participate in the criminal justice system due to their fears of violent offenders/perpetrators. Criminal justice advocates address the critical needs of these victims and witnesses by providing accompaniment to criminal justice offices and court, notify victims and witnesses of trial dates, provide case disposition information, and parole consideration procedures. Private nonprofit agencies and local units of government are awarded subgrants to provide direct services to victims in a professional and effective manner. These programs coordinate and collaborate within their respective jurisdictions to reduce the severity of the psychological consequences of crime. With the use of teleconferencing software most agencies are able to continue providing in person 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.

Documentation, such as Cooperative Service Agreements, Memorandums of Understanding, and Multijurisdictional Task Forces, are used by private and public service agencies to coordinate with local criminal justice agencies, legal service agencies, as well as schools and universities to collaborate their efforts. The LCLE works closely with VOCA subrecipients to ensure they are aware of the Crime Victim Reparations (CVR) Program and the Louisiana Victim Information Notification Everyday (LA VINE) programs. Subrecipient are required to provide the name(s) of the individual(s) responsible for assisting victims in regard to registering, accessing, and using the LA VINE system and assisting victims in regard to services available through the CVR program.

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

The addition of zoom and tele health software continue to provided a safe and effective alternative way to provide services to clients. Victim Assistance Coordinator (VAC's) work within the adult probation and parole system. VAC's are responsible for coordinating interagency safety planning and support for victims/survivors of high-risk offenders. VAC's only duty is to provide services to victims.

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

Domestic violence can affect an entire family, causing displacement, loss of job or other hardships. There are many DV and SA projects supported with VOCA funds across the State of Louisiana. Project SAVE, a program of the Catholic Charities Archdiocese of New Orleans, provide free, emergency, civil legal representation to victims of domestic violence; Sexual Assault- Sexual Trauma Awareness and Response (STAR) Center, provide advocacy and counseling services to sexual trauma survivors; and Family and Youth Counseling Agency, provides forensic interviewing for children of sexual abuse. Child abuse: Calcasieu Parish Police Jury- Office of Juvenile Justice Service provide counseling and therapeutic services to your who have been identified as victims of child abuse. The underserviced population can include the elderly population because the abuser is not always a stranger and the crime goes unreported. Often times the abuser is a caregiver, family member or healthcare worker. The 27th Judicial District Attorney's Office participate in community outreach events and provide an Elderly Affairs Coordinator to visit nursing homes to inform victims of their rights. The coordinator also advocate for the victim providing support some may not have.

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

Programs refer victims of federal crimes to the proper federal authorities or the United States Attorney s Office. Clinicians create a safe, nurturing environment in which a victim can recover from trauma by using cognitive behavioral therapy skills to help the victim develop adaptive coping skills and gain confidence in their own resiliency. Therapy sessions usually occur once a week, and are terminated when the victim and clinician agree that the victim has gained what he/she needed and is prepared to continue independently. Programs also assist local law enforcement agencies, FBI, Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, I-20 Anti-Trafficking Team to identify the federal crime committed and design a specialized safety plan and services to be provided to the victim(s). Forensic interviews of child victims for cases involving child trafficking, prostitution, internet crimes, and sexual exploitation of children are conducted to document the crimes and identify and determine what services are needed for the victims interviewed.

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

Mental health care, affordable housing and childcare are issue and a notable trend that is affecting crime victim services. DV crime victims can become reluctant to leave an unsafe situation due to the lack of affordable childcare and or housing options. Mental healthcare providers are unavailable in some areas of the state. Recruitment and maintaining employees in various healthcare service areas continue to cause slight disruptions in the healthcare system.

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

The greatest challenges many non-profits continue to face is the ability to provide competitive salaries in order to attract and maintain qualified staff. Volunteers continue to be an issue due to the lack of available participants. Agencies are finding it difficult to hire and keep volunteers. With the increase cost of living, the volunteer pool continue to decrease and providers are seeking higher paying jobs.

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

LCLE and each of the planning districts advertise the availability of funding once the federal award is received. These advertisements include postings online and in local newspapers throughout the state. A Notice of Funding Opportunity document detailing the purpose of the funding and programs eligible to receive funding is made available on the LCLE website along with a Notice of Intent Form. Agencies interested in applying for VOCA funds contact the LCLE and/or a local planning district office.

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

Each subrecipient provides detailed information describing the populations served in their service areas as well as providing the goals and objectives of their project to meet those needs, in particular, for victims of sexual abuse, domestic abuse, child abuse, and the previously underserved victims of violent crime and non-violent crime. The information provided includes how the programs determine what the needs of the victims served are and the methods to be used in providing those services to meet the needs of the underserved populations.

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

Subrecipients are asked to identify the nature and magnitude of the specific problem existing in their particular community that needs to be addressed through their proposed projects when applying for funding. They are required to document the need, not the symptoms or solutions to the specific problem identified. In order to support the justification of the VOCA-funded project proposal, the programs are required to include current valid, local data. If local data is not available, they are asked to provide state data. The source and date of the information provided is required to support the information provided. Each subrecipient is also required to describe the gap in community resources and how the reported gap was identified, explain what is needed to address the gap in services/programs, and what the subrecipient can do to fill the gap(s) found.

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

LCLE provides a performance report to the Louisiana Governor's Office to report the total number of victims served during a reporting period of July 1st through June 30th each year, as well as any other report that may be requested from the State.

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