

# NE 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-0061	2020-V2-GX-0060	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00585-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00778-ASSI	2023-15POVC-23-GG-00454-ASSI
<b>Federal Award Amount</b>	\$13,482,116.00	\$10,066,513.00	\$6,399,164.00	\$8,738,330.00	\$8,229,125.00
<b>Total Amount of Subawards</b>	\$13,648,842.00	\$9,848,609.00	\$6,178,824.00	\$2,231,282.00	\$0.00
<b>Total Number of Subawards</b>	66	70	53	13	0
<b>Administrative Funds Amount</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Training Funds Amount</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Balance Remaining</b>	(\$166,726.00)	\$217,904.00	\$220,340.00	\$6,507,048.00	\$8,229,125.00

Subgrantee Organization Type					
<small>The total number of subgrantees represents all subgrantees 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.</small>					
Type of Organization	2019-V2-GX-0061	2020-V2-GX-0060	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00585-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00778-ASSI	2023-15POVC-23-GG-00454-ASSI
<b>Government Agencies Only</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>
Corrections	0	0	0	0	0
Courts	1	1	0	1	0
Juvenile Justice	0	0	0	0	0
Law Enforcement	7	7	4	2	0
Prosecutor	4	5	5	1	0
Other	5	5	2	0	0
<b>Nonprofit Organization Only</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>
Child Abuse Service organization (e.g., child advocacy center)	22	24	16	4	0
Coalition (e.g., state domestic violence or sexual assault coalition)	1	1	1	0	0
Domestic and Family Violence Organization	5	6	2	3	0
Faith-based Organization	0	0	0	0	0
Organization Provides Domestic and Family Violence and Sexual Assault Services	14	14	17	0	0
Organization by and/or for underserved victims of crime (e.g., drunk driving, homicide, elder abuse)	2	2	2	0	0
Sexual Assault Services organization (e.g., rape crisis center)	0	0	0	0	0
Multiservice agency	5	5	4	2	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Federally Recognized Tribal Governments, Agencies, and Organizations Only</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
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
<b>Campus Organizations Only</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Campus-based victims services	0	0	0	0	0

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Law enforcement	0	0	0	0	0
Physical or mental health service program	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Number of Subawards</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>

\*This number is not unique across fiscal years as there are subgrantee organizations that are funded from multiple federal awards.

<b>Subaward Purpose</b> <small>A single SAR can select multiple purposes. Numbers are not unique</small>					
	2019-V2-GX-0061	2020-V2-GX-0060	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00585-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00778-ASSI	2023-15POVC-23-GG-00454-ASSI
A. Continue a VOCA-funded victim project funded in a previous year	57	62	53	13	0
B. Expand or enhance an existing project not funded by VOCA in the previous year	7	6	0	0	0
C. Start up a new victim services project	2	2	0	0	0
D. Start up a new <b>Native American</b> victim services project	0	0	0	0	0
E. Expand or enhance an existing <b>Native American</b> project	0	0	0	0	0

<b>VOCA and Match Funds</b> <small>A single SAR can select multiple service types. Numbers are not unique</small>					
	2019-V2-GX-0061	2020-V2-GX-0060	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00585-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00778-ASSI	2023-15POVC-23-GG-00454-ASSI
A.INFORMATION & REFERRAL	3	58	35	8	0
B.PERSONAL ADVOCACY/ACCOMPANIMENT	3	58	31	9	0
C.EMOTIONAL SUPPORT OR SAFETY SERVICES	2	48	29	6	0
D.SHELTER/HOUSING SERVICES	1	29	20	4	0
E.CRIMINAL/CIVIL JUSTICE SYSTEM ASSISTANCE	3	57	30	7	0
F. ASSISTANCE IN FILING COMPENSATION CLAIMS	4	63	35	10	0

<b>Priority and Underserved Requirements</b>					
Priority Area	2019-V2-GX-0061	2020-V2-GX-0060	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00585-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00778-ASSI	2023-15POVC-23-GG-00454-ASSI
<b>Child Abuse</b>					
Total Amount	\$2,462,210.00	\$1,898,606.00	\$1,171,493.00	\$243,040.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	18.00 %	19.00 %	18.00 %	3.00 %	
<b>Domestic and Family Violence</b>					
Total Amount	\$5,897,318.00	\$4,790,905.00	\$2,256,965.00	\$598,179.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	44.00 %	48.00 %	35.00 %	7.00 %	
<b>Sexual Assault</b>					
Total Amount	\$2,008,729.00	\$1,489,559.00	\$1,539,177.00	\$1,205,272.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	15.00 %	15.00 %	24.00 %	14.00 %	
<b>Underserved</b>					
Total Amount	\$2,757,771.00	\$1,573,393.00	\$1,022,189.00	\$146,711.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	20.00 %	16.00 %	16.00 %	2.00 %	

<b>Budget and Staffing</b>					
Staffing Information	2019-V2-GX-0061	2020-V2-GX-0060	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00585-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00778-ASSI	2023-15POVC-23-GG-00454-ASSI
Total number of paid staff for all subgrantee victimization program and/or services	539	533	336	44	
Number of staff hours funded through this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	447608	439288	123542	26145	
Total number of volunteer staff supporting the work of this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	797	793	270	150	
Number of volunteer hours supporting the work of this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	107365	107065	33758	11916	

## AGGREGATED SUBGRANTEE PERFORMANCE MEASURE DATA

<b>Victimization Type</b>						
Victimization Type	Number of Subgrantees Indicating Intent to Serve This Victim Type	Number of Individuals Who Actually Received Services Based on a Presenting Victimization				Per Quarter Average
		Quarter 1 Total	Quarter 2 Total	Quarter 3 Total	Quarter 4 Total	
Adult Physical Assault (includes Aggravated and Simple Assault)	52	1563	1383	2483	2215	1911

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Adult Sexual Assault	76	702	859	926	809	824
Adults Sexually Abused/Assaulted as Children	63	97	88	134	123	110
Arson	27	34	26	51	54	41
Bullying (Verbal, Cyber or Physical)	50	51	56	502	475	271
Burglary	28	226	175	396	368	291
Child Physical Abuse or Neglect	85	2262	2255	2595	2385	2374
Child Pornography	60	81	39	84	77	70
Child Sexual Abuse/Assault	95	2183	2662	2606	1760	2302
Domestic and/or Family Violence	96	7441	7335	9294	9558	8407
DUI/DWI Incidents	32	381	428	452	839	525
Elder Abuse or Neglect	56	34	50	52	50	46
Hate Crime: Racial/Religious/Gender/ Sexual Orientation/Other (Explanation Required)	32	1	0	440	440	220
Human Trafficking: Labor	60	20	9	16	28	18
Human Trafficking: Sex	85	191	170	218	233	203
Identity Theft/Fraud/Financial Crime	29	425	574	743	720	615
Kidnapping (non-custodial)	37	36	28	64	33	40
Kidnapping (custodial)	39	7	6	13	14	10
Mass Violence (Domestic/International)	28	26	37	39	28	32
Other Vehicular Victimization (e.g., Hit and Run)	29	767	649	1076	1021	878
Robbery	29	146	73	184	189	148
Stalking/Harassment	69	950	1197	1135	1377	1164
Survivors of Homicide Victims	43	156	91	157	129	133
Teen Dating Victimization	69	73	75	73	68	72
Terrorism (Domestic/International)	23	15	26	24	17	20
Other	33	7667	8353	9324	8508	8463

## 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	49	52	53	35	587
Homeless	819	760	989	830	7355
Immigrants/Refugees/Asylum Seekers	368	327	409	348	3175
LGBTQ	86	99	116	106	683
Veterans	29	17	23	19	586
Victims with Disabilities: Cognitive/ Physical /Mental	955	811	893	964	8160
Victims with Limited English Proficiency	720	680	763	822	6145
Other	135	604	459	461	3569

## General Award Information

Activities Conducted at the Subgrantee Level	Number	Percent
Total number of individuals who received services during the Fiscal Year.	62588	
Total number of anonymous contacts who received services during the Fiscal Year	31728	
Number of new individuals who received services from your state for the first time during the Fiscal Year.	36767	58.74 %
Of the clients who received services, how many presented with more than one type of victimization during the Fiscal Year?	19973	31.91 %
Number of individuals assisted with a victim compensation application during the Fiscal Year.	1514	

## Demographics

Demographic Characteristic of New Individuals Served	Number	Percent
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>		
American Indian or Alaska Native	1547	4.21 %
Asian	607	1.65 %
Black or African American	2607	7.09 %
Hispanic or Latino	6072	16.51 %
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	91	0.25 %
White Non-Latino or Caucasian	21454	58.35 %
Some Other Race	532	1.45 %
Multiple Races	731	1.99 %
Not Reported	2827	7.69 %
Not Tracked	299	0.81 %
<b>Race/Ethnicity Total</b>	<b>36767</b>	

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Gender Identity		
Male		11373 30.93 %
Female		23502 63.92 %
Other		58 0.16 %
Not Reported		1768 4.81 %
Not Tracked		66 0.18 %
<b>Gender Total</b>		<b>36767</b>
Age		
Age 0- 12		5144 13.99 %
Age 13- 17		2983 8.11 %
Age 18- 24		4177 11.36 %
Age 25- 59		18708 50.88 %
Age 60 and Older		2460 6.69 %
Not Reported		3263 8.87 %
Not Tracked		32 0.09 %
<b>Age Total</b>		<b>36767</b>

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	57	42683	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			A1. Information about the criminal justice process	39602
			A2. Information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.	27946
			A3. Referral to other victim service programs	8627
			A4. Referral to other services, supports, and resources (includes legal, medical, faith-based organizations, address confidentiality programs, etc.)	47128
B. Personal Advocacy/ Accompaniment	63	26145	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			B1. Victim advocacy/accompaniment to emergency medical care	1567
			B2. Victim advocacy/accompaniment to medical forensic exam	1501
			B3. Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment	1877
			B4. Individual advocacy (e.g., assistance in applying for public benefits, return of personal property or effects)	82131
			B5. Performance of medical or nonmedical forensic exam or interview or medical evidence collection	4312
			B6. Immigration assistance (e.g., special visas, continued presence application, and other immigration relief)	1229
			B7. Intervention with employer, creditor, landlord, or academic institution	875
			B8. Child or dependent care assistance (includes coordination of services)	1018
			B9. Transportation assistance (includes coordination of services)	5153
			B10. Interpreter services	5067
C. Emotional Support or Safety Services	49	35173	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			C1. Crisis intervention (in-person, includes safety planning, etc.)	23399
			C2. Hotline/crisis line counseling	39054
			C3. On-scene crisis response (e.g., community crisis response)	189
			C4. Individual counseling	7217
			C5. Support groups (facilitated or peer)	4544
			C6. Other Therapy (traditional, cultural, or alternative healing; art, writing, or play therapy, etc.)	489
			C7. Emergency financial assistance	13190
D. Shelter/ Housing Services	31	3746	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			D1. Emergency shelter or safe house	36631
			D2. Transitional housing	26153
			D3. Relocation assistance (includes assistance with obtaining housing)	5970
E. Criminal/ Civil Justice System Assistance	51	45830	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			E1. Notification of criminal justice events	53450
			E2. Victim impact statement assistance	2183
			E3. Assistance with restitution	2305
			E4. Civil legal assistance in obtaining protection or restraining order	4938
			E5. Civil legal assistance with family law issues	5348
			E6. Other emergency justice-related assistance	3965
			E7. Immigration assistance	909
			E8. Prosecution interview advocacy/accompaniment	6618

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	E9. Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment	717
	E10. Criminal advocacy/accompaniment	14273
	E11. Other legal advice and/or counsel	226

**ANNUAL QUESTIONS**
**Grantee Annually Reported Questions**

Question/Option	Count
<b>Were any administrative and training funds used during the reporting period?</b>	
Yes	1
No	0
<b>Did the administrative funds support any education activities during the reporting period?</b>	
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
<b>Did the grant support any coordination activities (e.g., with other service providers, law enforcement agencies) during the reporting period?</b>	
Yes	1
No	0
<b>Describe any program or educational materials developed during the reporting period.</b>	
N/A	
<b>Describe any planning or training events held during the reporting period.</b>	
N/A	
<b>Describe any program policies changed during the reporting period.</b>	
There were no FG&P policy changes made during this reporting period. However, there was acknowledgement that updates to program policies were needed to adjust Federal Grants and Programs approach to work due to the changes in staffing number & capacity, workload reallocation, workflow, and to account for the change to a new online grant management platform. Critically important given that several positions were to remain unfilled while duties/workload has been absorbed by remaining staff and positions.	
<b>Describe any earned media coverage events/episodes during the reporting period.</b>	
As the SAA, we have not had any earned media coverage during this reporting period.	
<b>Describe any coordinated responses/services for assisting crime victims during the reporting period.</b>	
The Federal Grants & Programs Division coordinated with victim service providers across the state during the year. The Nebraska Victim Advocacy Coordinator served on the Board of Directors for the Nebraska Coalition for Victims of Crime that is comprised of victim service professionals from various types of victim service agencies. The CVR Program Administrator and the Nebraska Victim Advocacy served on the steering committee for the new Nebraska Victim Assistance Academy (NEVAA), provided input on trainings provided by the academy, and assisted with their facilitation. The Federal Grants & Programs Director and the Nebraska Victim Advocacy Coordinator both participated in the Tribal Coalition meetings, Statewide CRT, and other efforts.	
<b>Please discuss the major issues in your state that either assist or prevent victims from receiving assistance during the reporting period.</b>	
In January 2023, LB760 was enacted, appropriating state funding to the Crime Commission to award a grant to an organization, institute of higher learning, or other such entity which provides training for victim advocates in the State of Nebraska. Qualifying programs are required to provide 40-hours of free, nationally accredited, victim advocate training.	
<b>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.</b>	
The Federal Grants & Programs Division participates in various boards, committees, and work groups across the state that promote collaboration on victim services. This is done by attending meetings and/or conferences that the separate coalitions have as a time to share information and stay informed on what is happening with victim services in Nebraska.	
<b>Please describe any notable activities at the grantee level during the reporting period that improved delivery of victim services.</b>	
Victim service providers continued to provide services, even with staffing shortages or turnover. Staff handled increased and more complex workloads. Providers adapted services and sought available resources to ensure victim needs were being met. Victim service providers continue utilizing technology and collaboration to improve or expand on services delivered. Processes were continually adapted and evaluated to ensure victim safety.	
<b>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</b>	
During this reporting period, Nebraska funded 18 CASA programs and 7 Child Advocacy Centers to provide services to victims of child abuse and child sexual assault. VOCA funding in Nebraska also provides funding for the Sexual Assault Payment Program that pays for SANE exams of all sexual assault victims in the state. Nebraska also funded 26 domestic violence and sexual assault programs that are located throughout the state. Of those programs, four of them are recipients of the Transitional Housing funding that serves victims of domestic violence and underserved populations. There are also 12 victim witness programs that are located either in the county attorney office or with law enforcement. These programs are typically exclusive to 1 or 2 counties and there are 93 counties in Nebraska. VOCA funds are also used to fund a couple of statewide programs to provide the criminal justice advocacy that victim witness units typically provide. The Nebraska Probation system has advocates that work with the victims of probationers in various locations across the state. The next program we use to meet this underserved need is the Nebraska Victim Advocacy Program (NVAP) that has a statewide Victim Advocacy Coordinator who provides advocacy to crime victims in frontier and rural Nebraska where services are not available or easily accessible. NVAP also has a direct victim assistance fund that provides emergency assistance to the needs of victims. In addition, there is one underserved program that is new to VOCA funding this reporting period that provides educational outreach on the rights of Nebraska's aging population and provides resources, services and assistance to victims of elder abuse.	
<b>Please briefly describe efforts taken to serve Victims of Federal crime during the reporting period.</b>	
Programs that receive VOCA funding are required to serve victims of federal crimes at the same level they do all other crime victims. This information is provided in the funding announcement, special conditions, and is reviewed during monitoring activities.	
<b>Please identify any emerging issues or notable trends affecting crime victim services in your state during the reporting period.</b>	
Budget and staffing concerns are a primary issue.	
<b>Please briefly outline any staffing retention issues that your victim assistance program has and why these issues may occur during the reporting period.</b>	
Our program has faced and continues to face a substantial reduction in staff due to the decrease in VOCA funds. This has been addressed through attrition and leaving vacated positions unfilled, but also by layoffs. During 2022 and 2023, Federal Grants and Programs sustained a greatest impact to our number of team members. In September 2022, one month prior to this reporting period beginning, our FG&P team of 9 decreased to a team of 6 with the resignation of our Criminal Justice Grant Section Administrator, the layoff of our Victim Training Specialist, and the layoff of a Grant Manager who primarily conducted onsite monitoring of our subrecipients. None of the vacancies created by these positions were to be filled. In March 2023, a Grant Manager resigned who primarily managed VOCA subgrant projects. In May 2023, our longest tenured Grant Manager resigned. In July 2023 we hired two new Grant Managers to fill the March and May vacancies, but our Director of Federal Grants and Programs resigned. In August of 2023, the Operations Assistant stepped into an Interim Director role until the Director position could be permanently filled. However, another tenured Grant Manager resigned, followed by the resignation of one of the two July newly hired Grant Managers. In September 2023, the second of the two July hired Grant Managers resigned leaving one existing Grant Manager and the Operation Assistant acting as Interim Director. In October 2023, the Operations Assistant was promoted permanently to the Director of Federal Grants and Programs, creating a vacancy for the much-needed support staff position, and two additional Grant Managers were hired to the FG&P team. There is a major concern for staff retention moving forward. The limit placed on the number of staff budgeted for FG&P, the increased workload per staff member resulting from the reduction in staffing capacity, non-competitive pay offered by the State, and the end to hybrid/remote work from home options for State Employees due to Executive Order 23-17 Bringing Nebraska's Public Servant Workforce Back to the Office all present challenges for FG&P to hire and retain quality staff. We are reviewing our policies and procedures to determine the best approach to manage the work while adhering to the constraints on staffing.	

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<b>Please explain your state process to publicize its victim assistance funding for services to victims of crime during the reporting period.</b>
Funding opportunity announcements for VOCA are primarily announced on our Nebraska Crime Commission website. Announcements and applications are made available through our online grant management system. Funding opportunities are emailed out to all existing Nebraska Crime Commission state and federal funded grant programs, coalitions, and stakeholders. We ask emailed recipients to pass on funding opportunity information to other agencies that would qualify and benefit from VOCA funding. Toward end of this reporting period, NCC leadership began discussion of future 2024 community outreach via meet and greets that would provide greater exposure to NCC Staff, the services we provide, and funding opportunities available to benefit crime victim stakeholders.
<b>Please explain how your state is able to direct funding to new/underserved populations during the reporting period.</b>
Applicants serving new/underserved populations were given strong consideration. Some existing programs were expanding services for underserved populations such as victims of human trafficking. One newly funded project is solely serving the underserved population of elder victims of crime. One project provides legal immigration services and mental health services to immigrants and refugees who are victims of a crime or persecution. Another project is a hospital-based violence intervention program for victims of assault.
<b>Please explain how your program is able to respond to gaps in services during the reporting period.</b>
Our program works to identify gaps in service throughout the grant cycle. This information is gathered by coordinating meetings and working with our allied professionals across the state of Nebraska, through the monitoring process, and the PMT system. The result of this collaboration is assisting the victim service agencies by either adjusting the current grant scope to provide more effective services or to fund activities in the next grant cycle that will address these gaps. Recognizing the 40% reduction in VOCA funding and the impact on financing service delivery, we encouraged applicants to research and apply for other funding opportunities offered by the Crime Commission to aid in closing the anticipated funding gap resulting from the decrease in available VOCA dollars.
<b>Please list and explain any outcome measure(s) that are reported to the governor, legislature, or other state entity during the reporting period.</b>
N/A