

**COURT EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAM**  
**Component: 40.20.161**

**PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

Since 2001, the Judicial Council of California, Administrative Office of the Courts, has implemented the Court Education and Training (CW) Program with federal Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Services\*Training\*Officers\*Prosecutors (S\*T\*O\*P) Formula Block Grant Program funds. The Program is designed to develop and provide trainings, seminars, publications, symposiums, and other efforts dedicated to increasing the knowledge of court personnel in cases involving domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and teen dating violence. Forty percent of the project is directed to support the establishment and/or enhancement of tribal courts throughout California. These efforts are offered to both state and tribal court judges as well as other judicial officers.

**FUNDS AWARDED**

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Types of Funding</u>	<u>Total Funding</u>
FY 2014/15	Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) FFY12	\$ 89,888
	VAWA FFY14	\$ 581,695
FY 2015/16	VAWA FFY15	\$ 610,900
FY 2016/17	Unknown	

**2014/15 PERFORMANCE STATISTICS**

- 2 Violence Against Women Education Project planning committee meetings, with 20 members in attendance.
  
- 19 Courses were conducted at the Primary Assignments Orientations, the Criminal Assignment courses, and the Probate, Criminal Law and Cow County Institutes for 966 attendees.
  
- 1 Project Fact Sheet was developed and published online during the fourth quarter.
  
- 1 Training was offered to 111 participants at the B.E. Witkin Judicial College.
  
- 1 Stand-alone educational program on ethics and self-represented litigants in Domestic Violence cases for 16 participants.

- 5 Instances of training and technical assistance were provided to improve court functions directly related to violence against women issues. 207 participants benefited from training and technical assistance.
  
- 1 Conduct a national search and review current trainings for judges that include a focus on victims from underserved communities, such as racial and ethnic minorities, gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender litigants. Conduct one focused training with 23 participants.
  
- 1 Develop an educational workshop on Domestic Violence: Promotion of Collaboration at the Trial Court-State Court Forum Meeting with 25 attendees.
  
- 2 Convene resource fairs at statewide or national conferences or events with 1,500 attendees.
  
- 1 Create a bench card or similar educational tool to assist state court judges in addressing issues relating to federal Indian law/tribal issues in domestic violence cases. Completed third quarter.

Promote local tribal-state agreements to improve recognition of tribal protective orders through the Innovative Knowledge Center. Completed third quarter.

### **2015/16 PERFORMANCE STATISTICS**

Not Available

### **2016/17 PERFORMANCE STATISTICS**

Not Applicable