

**UNSERVED/UNDERSERVED VICTIM ADVOCACY AND OUTREACH PROGRAM**  
**Component: 40.20.451**

**PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

The primary purpose of the Unserviced/Underserved Victim Advocacy and Outreach Program (UV) Program is to focus on service delivery to victims of violent crime within un-served/underserved and socially isolated populations. In addition, it is designed to promote awareness and to improve knowledge about accessing local services available to crime victims.

The UV Program is supported by Victims of Crime Act funds and is authorized by the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) of 1984, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §10601, *et seq.*: VOCA authorizes federal financial assistance to states whereby 40 percent of the state award is designated to each priority area of crime victims; sexual assault, domestic violence, child abuse, and the underserved.

The UV Program is in its final year of funding and went to a competitive Request for Proposal (RFP) process in December 2015. The 14/15 Program was augmented and extended through March 31, 2016. The new Program will begin April 1, 2016, ending September 30, 2016, for the first of a five-year grant cycle.

Currently there are 39 UV Subrecipients; both governmental and non-profit, community-based Victim/Witness and/or tribal organizations that provide culturally sensitive comprehensive victim services and outreach to these vulnerable populations.

Focus populations of the UV grants include, but are not limited to:

- LGBTQ Hate Crimes
- Elder Abuse
- Human Trafficking
- Survivors of homicide victims
- Native American crime victims
- Southeast Asian crime victims
- Gang-related crime victims
- Indigenous Oaxacan population

**FUNDS AWARDED**

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Types of Funding</u>	<u>Total Funding</u>
FY 2014/15	Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) FFY12	\$ 113,344
	VOCA FFY13	\$ 38,001
	VOCA FFY14	\$ 4,716,483
FY 2015/16	VOCA FFY15	\$ 2,437,500
FY 2016/17	Unknown	

## 2014/15 PERFORMANCE STATISTICS

<u>11,631</u>	New victims of crime served.
<u>11,641</u>	Crisis Intervention/Counseling services provided to victims of crime.
<u>18,792</u>	Follow-up assistance services, in-person, letter or telephone contact, provided to victims, based on the victim's need or victim advocate's assessment.
<u>1,227</u>	Therapy for victims that includes intensive professional psychological and/or psychiatric treatment for individuals, couples, and family members. Includes the evaluation of mental health needs as well as the actual delivery of psychotherapy.
<u>511</u>	Group Treatment/Support for the victims, which is the coordination and provision of supportive group activities, including self-help, peer, social support, etc.
<u>86</u>	Shelter/Safe House services for victims and families refers to offering short and long-term housing and related support services.
<u>5,312</u>	Information/Referral services refers to in-person contacts with victims during which time services and available support are identified.
<u>28,147</u>	Criminal Justice Support/Advocacy provides support, assistance and advocacy to victims at any stage of the criminal justice process, including post-sentencing services and support.
<u>788</u>	Emergency Financial Assistance provides victims with cash outlays for transportation, food, clothing, emergency housing, etc.
<u>1,634</u>	Emergency Legal Advocacy provides victims with assistance in filing temporary restraining orders, injunctions, other protective orders, elder abuse petitions, and child abuse petitions.
<u>7,997</u>	Assistance in filing compensation claims includes making the victim aware of the availability of crime victim compensation, and assisting in filing crime victim compensation claims.
<u>3,521</u>	Personal Advocacy includes: assisting victims in securing rights, remedies and services from other agencies; locating emergency financial assistance; intervening with employers, creditors and others on behalf of the victim; assisting in filing for losses covered by public and private insurance programs including workers' compensation, unemployment benefits, welfare, etc.; accompanying the victim to the hospital, etc.
<u>13,903</u>	Telephone Contact refers to contact with victims during which time services and available support are identified. Does not include calls during which counseling is the primary function.
<u>6,985</u>	<b>"Other"</b> refers to other VOCA-allowable services and activities not listed.

### **Major Crime Types**

<u>2,419</u>	Survivors of Homicide Victims
<u>1,319</u>	Robbery
<u>272</u>	Adult Sexual Assault
<u>18</u>	Adults Molested as Children
<u>2,633</u>	Assault
<u>845</u>	Child Sexual Abuse
<u>360</u>	Child Physical Abuse
<u>2,931</u>	Domestic Violence
<u>5,488</u>	Elder Abuse
<u>324</u>	DUI/DWI (With Injuries or Death)
<u>4,283</u>	Other violent crimes

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

Not Available

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

Not Applicable