



REQUEST FOR APPLICATION

The California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES), Victim Services (VS) Branch, is soliciting applications for the following program:

LEGAL TRAINING (LT) PROGRAM

Release Date: March 26, 2021

This Request for Application (RFA) provides detailed information and forms necessary to prepare an application for Grant Subaward funds. The terms and conditions of this RFA supersede previous RFAs and conflicting provisions stated in the [Subrecipient Handbook \(SRH\)](#).

PROGRAM SYNOPSIS

Program Description:

The purpose of the LT Program is to provide consistent quality training, publications, and other materials to prosecutors and public defenders throughout California on crimes against women.

Eligibility:

The only eligible Applicants are the LT Program Subrecipients funded in the prior fiscal year.

Grant Subaward Performance Period:

July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022

Submission Deadline:

Friday, May 28, 2021



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A. PUBLIC RECORDS ACT NOTICE

Grant Subaward applications are subject to the California Public Records Act, Government Code Section 6250, *et seq.* Do not put any personally identifiable information or private information on this application. If you believe that any of the information you are putting on this application is exempt from the Public Records Act, please indicate what portions of the application and the basis for the exemption. Your statement that the information is not subject to the Public Records Act will not guarantee that the information will not be disclosed.

B. CONTACT INFORMATION

Questions concerning this RFA, the application process, or programmatic issues should be submitted to:

Shaynah Fox, Program Specialist
Shaynah.Fox@caloes.ca.gov - (916) 845-8286

C. SUBMISSION DEADLINE AND OPTIONS

Applications must be delivered to Cal OES by 5:00 pm on Friday, May 28, 2021. Submission options are:

- Emailed to: VSapplications@caloes.ca.gov
- Postmarked or hand-delivered to the address below:

Cal OES - Victim Services Branch
3650 Schriever Avenue
Mather, CA 95655
Attn: Legal Training (LT) Program
Victim Witness & Prosecution Unit

D. ELIGIBILITY

The only eligible Applicants are the LT Program Subrecipients funded in the prior fiscal year.

Applicants applying for programs supported with federal funds must be registered in the federal System for Award Management (SAM) and have an expiration date that is at least eight weeks after the Application due date. [Check SAM status.](#)

Applicants that are non-governmental organizations must be registered with the California Department of Justice's Registry of Charitable Trusts with a "current" or "pending" status. [Check nonprofit status.](#)

E. GRANT SUBAWARD PERFORMANCE PERIOD

The Grant Subaward performance period is July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022.

F. FUNDS

There is \$1,514,000 available for the Program for the Grant Subaward performance period. **Funding is contingent upon availability of funds and passage of the 2021-22 State Budget Act.**

1. Source of Funds

Detailed information on all VS Branch federal fund sources can be found in the [VS Branch Federal Fund Information Guide](#). Applicants are **strongly encouraged** to review this document to familiarize themselves with the requirements for all fund sources that support this Program.

The Program is supported through the following funds:

- a. Services*Training*Officers*Prosecutors (STOP) Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program
 - Promotes the development and the implementation of effective, victim-centered law enforcement, prosecution, and court strategies to address violent crimes against women and the development and enhancement of victim services in cases involving violent crimes against women.

- Requires a cash or in-kind match equal to 25 percent of the total project cost. Tribes and victim service providers are exempt. **To request a match waiver, Applicants must submit the STOP Match Waiver Request form (Attachment A) to the applicable Program Specialist, by email, by May, 14, 2021.**
 - Cal OES's four-digit code for this federal fund is STOP. This code will be in the drop-down on the Grant Subaward Face Sheet (Cal OES Form 2-101).
 - The federal award number is 2020-WF-AX-0044.
- b. Local Public Prosecutor/Public Defender Fund (LPPPD)
- Legislative Authority

These funds are provided through the 2020-21 State Budget Act

- Purpose

The purpose of the LPPPD funding is to provide quality training, materials, resources, publications, and research for public prosecutors and public defenders

- Match

There is no local match requirement for LPPPD funds.

- Cal OES's four-digit code for this federal fund is PPPD. This code will be in the drop-down on the Grant Subaward Face Sheet (Cal OES 2-101).

2. Funding Amount

Please see the chart below for the breakdown of the fund sources (by four-digit code) and match.

SUBRECIPIENT	20STOP	20STOP MATCH	20PPPD	TOTAL PROJECT COST
CDA	\$814,000	\$271,333	\$150,000	\$1,235,333
CPDA			\$300,000	\$ 300,000
Total	\$814,000	\$271,333	\$450,000	\$1,535,333

G. PROGRAM INFORMATION

1. Program Description

The purpose of the LT Program is to provide consistent quality training, publications, and other materials to prosecutors and public defenders throughout California on crimes against women.

2. Program Components

a. California District Attorneys Association (CDA)

The Subrecipient must conduct in-person or online trainings for prosecutors on, but not limited to, the following topics:

- Human trafficking
- Domestic violence overview, dynamics and services, statutes/codes
- Sexual assault overview, dynamics and services statutes/codes
- Stalking overview statutes/codes
- Criminal court procedures
- Law enforcement response
- Prosecution response
- Protective orders
- Sexual assault forensic examination
- Prosecution of homicide cases
- Child abuse cases, child witnesses, child abduction
- Prosecution of cases of sexual assault victims with disabilities
- Underserved populations, victims/survivors who live in rural areas, disabled, Indian tribal members, members of the LGBTQ community, immigrants, refugees, or asylum seekers; and
- Coordinated community response

b. California Public Defenders Association (CPDA)

The Subrecipient must conduct in-person or online workshops, seminars, and skills training sessions for public defenders on, but not limited to, the following topics:

- Child and other witnesses
- Discovery procedures and statutes
- Courtroom evidence and procedures
- Domestic violence statutes
- Sexual assault and the sexually violent predator statutes
- Judicial, prosecution, and defense ethics
- Protective and other court orders
- Understanding scientific evidence including DNA evidence; and
- Working with expert witnesses

3. Reporting Requirements

Progress Reports serve as a record for the implementation of the Grant Subaward. Statistics for Progress Reports must be collected on a quarterly basis, even when reporting occurs less frequently. The following reports are required:

a. Cal OES Progress Reports

There are two Cal OES Progress Reports required for the Program. See the chart for report periods and due dates.

Report	Report Period	Due Date
1 st Report	July 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021	January 31, 2022
Final Report	January 1, 2022 – June 30, 2022	July 29, 2022

b. Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) Report

Subrecipients receiving STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program funds must complete the Annual Progress Report for the STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program. This report covers the calendar year period of January 1 through December 31. This report is due to Cal OES no later than January 31, 2022.

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A. SUBRECIPIENT HANDBOOK

Applicants are strongly encouraged to review the [Subrecipient Handbook \(SRH\)](#). The SRH outlines the terms and conditions that apply to Cal OES VS Branch Grant Subawards and provides helpful information for developing an application, including a Glossary of Terms.

B. APPLICATION FORMS

The Applicant must use the forms provided on our website. The forms must be printed on plain white 8½" x 11" paper and single sided. **Applicants may not alter the formatting of any forms, including the Grant Subaward Programmatic Narrative (Cal OES Form 2-108) and the Grant Subaward Budget Narrative (Cal OES Form 2-107). No tables, charts, or changes to the margins are allowed.**

C. APPLICATION COMPONENTS

Applicants must complete and submit all required forms. All forms have written instructions. General information regarding each form is below. The Checklist in Part III is included to ensure Applicants submit all required components.

1. Grant Subaward Face Sheet (Cal OES Form 2-101)

This form is the title page of the Grant Subaward that is signed by the Official Designee (SRH Section 3.030) and the Cal OES Director (or designee).

2. Grant Subaward Contact Information (Cal OES Form 2-102)

This form provides Cal OES with contact information for all relevant Subrecipient personnel. Information for each individual should be direct contact information.

3. Grant Subaward Signature Authorization (Cal OES Form 2-103)

This form provides Cal OES with signatures of authorized signers and who they authorize to sign on their behalf for all Grant Subaward-related matters.

4. Certification of Assurance of Compliance (CPDA - Cal OES 2-104 or CDAA - Cal OES 2-104g)

This form is a binding affirmation that the Subrecipient will comply with the following regulations and restrictions:

- State and federal civil rights laws
- Drug Free Workplace
- California Environmental Quality Act
- Federal grant fund requirements
- Lobbying restrictions
- Debarment and Suspension requirements
- Proof of Authority documentation from the city council/governing board

Subrecipients may be asked to sign and submit an updated Grant Subaward Certification of Assurance of Compliance (Cal OES Form 2-104 or 2-104g) once in Grant Subaward agreement. Every year, Cal OES updates each Grant Subaward Certificate of Assurance of Compliance Cal OES Form 2-104 or 2-104g) to ensure that any new conditions placed upon the federal award are passed down to Subrecipients. Subrecipients will be notified if this change is needed.

5. Grant Subaward Budget Pages (Cal OES Form 2-106a)

This form demonstrates how the Applicant will implement the proposed plan with the funds available through this Program. This is the basis for management, fiscal review, and audit. **Grant Subaward Budget Pages (Cal OES Form 2-106a) are subject to Cal OES modifications and approval.** Failure of the Applicant to include required items does not eliminate responsibility to comply with those requirements during the implementation of the Grant Subaward.

The Grant Subaward Budget Pages (Cal OES Form 2-106a) automatically calculate the subtotal at the end of each budget category and provide the total of the three spreadsheets at the

bottom of the Equipment Costs page. Applicants may add additional columns to the Grant Subaward Budget Pages (Cal OES Form 2-106a) when necessary.

Cal OES requires the Applicant to develop a line-item budget that includes a **calculation and justification in the left column for all costs.**

The Grant Subaward Budget Pages (Cal OES Form 2-106a) should:

- Cover the entire Grant Subaward performance period
- Include costs related to the objectives and activities of the Grant Subaward
- Strictly adhere to required and prohibited costs
- Include costs in the correct category (i.e., Personnel Costs, Operating Costs, and Equipment Costs – see below)

Include **only** those items to be covered by Grant Subaward funds, including match funds, when applicable. Applicants may supplement Grant Subaward funds with funds from other sources. However, since approved line-items are subject to audit, Applicants should not include matching funds (if applicable) in excess of the required match on the Grant Subaward Budget Pages (Cal OES 2-106a)

a. Personnel Costs – Salaries/Employee Benefits

1) Salaries

Personnel includes Grant Subaward services performed by staff **directly employed by the Applicant** (not a contract or Participating Agency) and must be identified by position, cost, and time spent on allowable activities for the Grant Subaward (e.g., Clerical Staff @ \$20/hour x 980 hours; or Victim Advocate @ \$3,500/month x 12 months x .50 FTE). Personnel may be salaried or hourly, full-time or part-time positions. Sick leave, vacation, holidays, overtime, and shift differentials must also be allocated as a part of salaries. If the Applicant's personnel have accrued sick leave or vacation time prior to the approval of the Grant Subaward, they may not take time off using Grant Subaward funds.

2) Benefits

Employee benefits must be identified by type and percentage of salaries. The Applicant may use fixed percentages of salaries to calculate benefits. Allocated benefits cannot exceed those already established by the Applicant.

Employer contributions or costs for social security, employee life and health insurance plans, unemployment insurance, and/or pension plans are allowable. Benefits, such as uniforms or California Bar Association dues, are allowable if negotiated as a part of an employee benefit package.

A line-item is required for each different position/classification, but not for each individual employee. If several people will be employed full-time or part-time in the same position/classification, provide the number of full-time equivalents (e.g., three half-time clerical personnel should be itemized as 1.5 clerical positions).

Additional information on Personnel Costs can be found in *SRH Part 3*.

b. Operating Costs

Operating costs are defined as necessary expenditures other than personnel salaries, benefits, and equipment. The costs must be Grant Subaward-related (i.e., to further the Program objectives as defined in the Grant Subaward) and be encumbered during the Grant Subaward performance period.

Examples of common operating costs include, but are not limited to:

- Audit costs (*SRH Section 14.035*)
- Computers with an acquisition cost of \$4,999 or less
- Computer equipment rentals
- Consultant services (*SRH Section 6.050*)
- Equipment service and maintenance agreements
- Financial Assistance for clients (*SRH Section 4.040*)
- Furniture and office equipment with an acquisition cost of \$4,999 or less

- Indirect costs (*SRH Section 4.045*)
- Insurance (e.g., vehicle, fire, bonding, theft, malpractice, and liability),
- Internet access
- Office supplies
- Office rental space (*SRH Section 4.055*)
- Postage
- Printing
- Second-Tier Subawards (*SRH Section 7.010*)
- Software
- Training materials
- Travel and per diem (*SRH Section 4.065*)
- Utilities
- Vehicle maintenance

Additional information on Operating Costs can be found in *SRH Part 4*.

c. Equipment Costs

Equipment is defined as nonexpendable tangible personal property having a useful life of more than one year and a cost of \$5,000 or more per unit (excluding tax).

A line-item is required for different types of equipment, but not for each specific piece of equipment (e.g., three copy machines must be one line-item, not three).

Additional information on Equipment Costs can be found in *SRH Part 5*.

6. Grant Subaward Budget Narrative (Cal OES Form 2-107)

This form should describe the following:

- a. How the line-items on the Grant Subaward Budget Pages (Cal OES Form 2-106a) support the objectives and activities.
- b. How funds are allocated to minimize administrative costs and support direct services.
- c. How shared costs are allocated.

- d. How Grant Subaward-funded staff duties and time commitments support the proposed objectives and activities.
 - e. The necessity for subcontracts and unusual costs.
 - f. Need for mid-year salary range adjustments.
7. Grant Subaward Programmatic Narrative (Cal OES Form 2-108)

This form is the main body of information describing the problem to be addressed, the plan to address the identified problem through appropriate and achievable objectives and activities, and the ability of the Applicant to implement the proposed plan.

a. Problem Statement

No Problem Statement is required.

b. Plan

Please provide quantitative data and a brief narrative for implementing each of the Program Components. The LT Program Objectives are listed below. The Applicant may include additional Objectives with the approval of Cal OES, and must provide activities for the 12-month Grant Subaward performance period. Each Objective must include activities that describe the steps necessary for achievement.

In narrative form, address the following:

- 1) CDAA and CPDA must include the following Objectives in the Training Plan(s):
 - Provide the number of LPPD-supported trainings/seminars. (List training titles and audience).
 - Produce and distribute periodicals/publications by way of multiple platforms(s) that maximize grant funds.
 - Provide outreach materials for public defenders/or prosecutors.

2) CDAA must include the following additional Objectives in the Training Plan(s):

- Provide STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program – supported trainings. (List training titles and audience.)
- Maintain community partnerships with allied agencies and when possible, attend quarterly State Advisory Committee on Sexual Assault Victim Services Meetings.

8. Subrecipient Grants Management Assessment

Per title 2 CFR § 200.331, Cal OES is required to evaluate the risk of noncompliance with federal statutes, regulations, and terms and conditions posed by each Subrecipient of pass-through funding. The assessment is made in order to determine and provide an appropriate level of technical assistance, training, and oversight to Subrecipients.

9. Grant Subaward Service Area Information (Cal OES Form 2-154)

This form identifies the counties, cities, and congressional districts served by the Grant Subaward.

10. Organizational Chart

The Organizational Chart should clearly depict the structure of the Applicant organization and the specific unit within the organization responsible for the implementation of the Grant Subaward. This chart should also depict supporting units within the organization (e.g., the Accounting Unit) and the lines of authority within the organization. Job titles on the Organizational Chart must match those on the Grant Subaward Budget Pages (Cal OES Form 2-106a) and Grant Subaward Budget Narrative (Cal OES 2-107) (if required).

11. Additional Forms/Documents

The following are required only if applicable:

- Match Waiver Request
This form is required only if the Applicant is requesting to waive a portion, or all, of the required Match. See Part I, F., 1 for additional information.

- Non-Competitive Procurement Request (Cal OES Form 2-156)

This form is required only if the Applicant proposes a line-item on their Grant Subaward Budget Pages (Cal OES Form 2-106a) that meets the criteria for a Non-Competitive Procurement Request per *SRH Section 6.045*.

- Independent Contractor/Consultant Rate Exemption Request (Cal OES Form 2-164)

This form is required only if the Applicant is requesting an exemption to the maximum rate for an independent contractor/consultant of \$650 per eight-hour day or \$81.25 per hour per *SRH Section 6.050*.

- Out-of-State Travel Request (Cal OES Form 2-158)

This form is required only if the Applicant proposes a line-item for out-of-state travel per *SRH Section 4.065*.

- Lodging Rate Exemption Request (Cal OES Form 2-165)

This form is required only if an Applicant is requesting approval for an exemption for lodging costs per *SRH Section 4.065*.

D. BUDGET POLICIES

The following sections of the [SRH](#) may be helpful in developing the Grant Subaward Budget Pages (Cal OES 2-106a) and Grant Subaward Budget Narrative (Cal OES 2-107) (if required).

- Additional Rental Space (*SRH Section 4.055*)
- Audit Costs (*SRH Section 14.055*)
- Automobiles (*SRH Section 5.020*)
- Contracting and Procurements Requirements (*SRH Part 6*)
- Equipment and Equipment Costs Requirements (*SRH Part 5*)
- Expert Witness Fees (*SRH Section 6.050*)
- Independent Contractor/Consultant (*SRH Section 6.050*)
- Indirect Cost or Facilities and Administration (*SRH Section 4.045*)
- Match Requirements (*SRH Section 9.060*)
- Facility Rental (*SRH Section 4.055*)
- Prohibited Operating Costs (*SRH Section 4.070*)

- Grant Subaward and Other Income (*SRH Section 9.075*)
- Supplanting Prohibited (*SRH Section 1.065*)
- Travel (*SRH Section 4.065*)

E. ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS

Subrecipients must administer their Grant Subaward in accordance with all [SRH](#) requirements. Failure to comply with these requirements can result in the withholding or termination of the Grant Subaward. The following section may be helpful for developing an application and for planning purposes:

- Audit Requirements (*SRH Part 14*)
- Communication and Internet Access (*SRH Section 1.070*)
- Intellectual Property, Copyright, and Patent Requirements (*SRH Part 8*)
- Fidelity Bond/Certificate of Insurance (*SRH Section 2.015*)
- Monitoring (*SRH Part 13*)
- Report of Expenditures and Request for Funds (*SRH Section 9.025*)
- Records Requirements (*SRH Part 12*)

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PART III – CHECKLIST

This checklist is provided to ensure that a complete application is submitted to Cal OES.

- GRANT SUBAWARD FACE SHEET ([Cal OES FORM 2-101](#)) – Signed by the Official Designee authorized to enter into the Grant Subaward.
- GRANT SUBAWARD CONTACT INFORMATION ([Cal OES FORM 2-102](#))
- GRANT SUBAWARD SIGNATURE AUTHORIZATION ([Cal OES FORM 2-103](#))
- GRANT SUBAWARD CERTIFICATION OF ASSURANCE OF COMPLIANCE CDAAs ([CAL OES 2-104g](#)) for CPDA ([Cal OES 2-104](#)) – Signed by the Official Designee who signed the Grant Subaward Face Sheet and by the official delegating that authority.
- GRANT SUBAWARD BUDGET PAGES (EXCEL SPREADSHEET FORMAT)
([CAL OES FORM 2-106a](#)) Budget Pages Multiple Fund Source
- GRANT SUBAWARD BUDGET NARRATIVE ([Cal OES FORM 2-107](#))
- GRANT SUBAWARD PROGRAMMATIC NARRATIVE ([Cal OES FORM 2-108](#))
 - PLAN
- [SUBRECIPIENT GRANTS MANAGEMENT ASSESSMENT](#)
- GRANT SUBAWARD SERVICE AREA INFORMATION ([Cal OES FORM 2-154](#))
- ORGANIZATIONAL CHART
- ADDITIONAL FORMS, IF APPLICABLE
 - MATCH WAIVER REQUEST
 - NON-COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT REQUEST ([Cal OES FORM 2-156](#))
 - INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR/CONSULTANT RATE EXEMPTION REQUEST
([Cal OES FORM 2-164](#))
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