The webinar will begin shortly.
Please have a copy of the solicitation available to follow along and take notes.
Webinar Outline

1. OVC Overview and Mission
2. Breakdown of the solicitation
   • Project Purpose, Goal, and Objectives
   • Eligibility
   • Application and Award Timelines
   • Required Documents
3. Application Process
4. Questions and Answers

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OVC Overview

Mission: OVC is committed to enhancing the Nation’s capacity to assist crime victims and to providing leadership in changing attitudes, policies, and practices to promote justice and healing for all victims of crime.

OVC funding supports:

- victims in tribal communities;
- state victim compensation and assistance programs;
- training and technical assistance and information resources;
- victims of international terrorism and mass violence;
- federal agencies’ provision of victim services;
- survivors of human trafficking; and
- demonstration and service projects.
Timeline

- Grants.gov deadline: **Tuesday, June 28, 2022**
- JustGrants deadline: **Tuesday, July 5, 2022**
- DOJ expects to award grants no later than **September 30, 2022**
- All project **START** dates should be on or after **October 1, 2022** *

*Please Note: Successful applicants MAY NOT begin work until the budget has been reviewed and officially approved by OJP. Additional information and or restrictions may be outlined in the award package."
Eligibility

• City or township governments,
• County governments,
• Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized),
• Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments),
• Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education,
• State governments

For additional information on eligibility, please review the solicitation cover page.
Program Description

OVC HTD Mission: To enhance capacity to identify, assist, and provide services to all victims of human trafficking, OVC leads the nation in supporting victim-centered and trauma-informed programs, policies, and resources that promote justice, access, and empowerment.

Purpose: develop, expand, or strengthen victim service programs for victims of human trafficking.

This program will provide funding for services to victims of human trafficking, as defined by 22 U.S.C. § 7102.
The goal of this program is to develop or enhance prevention and early intervention services for girls who are at risk or are victims of sex trafficking.
Program Description

Under this initiative, experienced organizations will work with OVC’s existing training and technical assistance provider to develop or enhance prevention and early intervention services based on best practices to focus on the needs of girls who are at risk or are victims of sex trafficking. OVC expects successful applicants to implement prevention and early intervention programs based upon best practices for girls vulnerable to becoming victims of sex trafficking; to provide direct support services and mentoring services to girls at risk of becoming victims of sex trafficking; and to develop or enhance strategies to help vulnerable girls on a path toward success, stability, and healing. To support prevention efforts, this should include a detailed community outreach and education strategy.
Objectives

The objectives of this program are to:

• Replicate and scale-up prevention and early intervention programs for girls who are at risk of, or are victims of, sex trafficking that have been shown to be effective or promising and/or have a documented track record of producing successful outcomes for participants.

• Implement or enhance efforts to identify and provide services to girls who are at risk of, or are victims of, sexual exploitation or sex trafficking.

• Grantees will be expected to participate in an annual peer-to-peer learning (cluster meeting) opportunity hosted by the OVC-funded training and technical assistance provider.
Deliverables

• Services, measured quarterly by service hour or units delivered, type of service, and other key data points.
• A strategy for implementing a training and technical assistance plan developed in collaboration with the OVC training and technical assistance provider.
• Semi-annual program narrative reports.
• Prevention and outreach materials for community awareness and education efforts.
• A client voluntary self-administered satisfaction survey.
• An assessment report based on client voluntary self-administered satisfaction surveys.
OJP Priority Areas

1. Priority Considerations Supporting Executive Order 13985, Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Underserved Communities Through the Federal Government

A. Applications that include project(s) that will promote racial equity and the removal of barriers to access and opportunity for communities that have been historically underserved, marginalized, and adversely affected by inequality, when making award decisions.

B. Applicants that can demonstrate that their capabilities and competencies for implementing their proposed project(s) are enhanced because the applicant (or at least one proposed subrecipient that will receive at least 30% of the requested award funding, as demonstrated in the Budget Worksheet and Budget Narrative) identifies as a culturally specific organization.

For additional information, please see the solicitation.
Federal Award Information

Maximum number of awards OVC expects to make: 8 Awards
Maximum dollar amount for each award: $500,000
Total amount to be awarded under solicitation: $500,000
Period of Performance start date: 10/01/2022
Period of Performance duration: 36 Months
Types of Awards

The awards will be made as a **Grant:**

- Legal instrument of financial assistance
- **Awarding agency** maintains an **oversight** and **monitoring** role
- **Without substantial involvement** with awarding agency

See the “Administrative, National Policy, and Other Legal Requirements” section of the [OJP Grant Application Resource Guide](https://www.ojp.gov/) for more information.
Information on Managing a Human Trafficking Award

For more information on implementation of OVC Human Trafficking award, please consult the OVC Human Trafficking Program FAQs.
Application and Submission Information
Applications MUST Include

These elements MUST be included in the application submission to meet the basic minimum requirements to advance to peer review and receive consideration for funding:

- Proposal Abstract
- Proposal Narrative
  - Statement of the Problem (15%)
  - Project Design and Implementation (40%)
  - Capabilities and Competencies (30%)
  - Plan for Collecting the Data for this Solicitation’s Performance Measures (5%)
- Budget Worksheet and Budget Narrative (web-based form) (10%)

Remember, if you fail to submit ANY of required documents, your application will not be considered for funding!
Proposal Abstract

An abstract is a clear and simple summary statement about your proposal.

This statement should be no more than 400 words and should include:

• purpose of the project,
• primary activities,
• expected outcomes,
• the service area, and
• intended beneficiaries and subrecipients

This will be completed in the JustGrants Web-based form.
Proposal Narrative Format

The proposal narrative must:

– Be double-spaced
– Use a standard 12-point font
– Have no less than 1-inch margins
– NOT exceed 20 pages. Pages should be numbered “1 of 20,” “2 of 20,” etc.
– Be submitted as an attachment in JustGrants.
Proposal Narrative Format

The following sections are part of the proposal narrative:

1. Statement of the problem
2. Project design and implementation
3. Capabilities and competencies
4. Plan for collecting the data required for this solicitation’s performance measures

Outline ALL the grant requirements and make a plan to fulfill each and EVERY REQUIREMENT.
Proposal Narrative:
Statement of the Problem

This section must:

1. Identify the nature and scope of the problem that will be addressed.
2. Describe previous or current attempts to address the problem, including documentation of the number of trafficking victims served each year during 2020 and 2021 within the targeted geographic area.
3. Describe the communities to be served, including the geographic area, populations in the service area, and any groups that are vulnerable to human trafficking.
4. Describe current efforts to address the service needs of trafficking survivors in the geographic area, including programs funded through OVC, the Department of Health and Human Services, the Office on Violence Against Women, or with Victims of Crime Act state victim assistance funds. Explain how the proposed project is not duplicative and targets identified gaps.
Proposal Narrative: Project Design and Implementation

This **section** should include goals, objectives and activities that are aligned with the solicitation

- Be brief, concise, and clear.
- Make sure the information is consistent throughout your proposal.
- Create **solid goals and measurable objectives**:
  - Objectives should be **SMART**:
    - Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic, and Time-bound
  - Focus on the future and setting a **realistic timeline** to complete the project.
Proposal Narrative: Capabilities and Competencies

This section must:

1. Demonstrate the institutional experience and expertise (or submit formal agreements with partners with experience and expertise with the application) to effectively implement the requirements of this solicitation.

2. Identify the key individuals and organizations involved in the proposed project.

3. Demonstrate that the individuals and organizations identified have the capacity to address the stated need, including the expertise necessary to provide services to human trafficking victims, and can successfully implement the proposed project activities.

4. Describe specific roles and responsibilities of all project partners and key staff.

5. Demonstrate that project staff have appropriate training and experience to implement project activities as described in the proposal, including the knowledge and expertise necessary to implement culturally responsive projects with the identified underserved communities, and document plans and position descriptions for staff to be hired.
Proposal Narrative: Capabilities and Competencies (cont.)

6. Demonstrate the capacity and expertise of the lead applicant and all project partners to serve victims of human trafficking.
7. Clearly describe who will implement activities as described in the Project Design and Implementation section.
8. Describe their experience managing federal grants that support services to crime victims and document their administrative and financial capacity to manage federal grants. If the applicant has other grants for providing services to victims of human trafficking, the applicant must describe the scope of each of these grants and describe how activities and data collection on these projects will be tracked separately to avoid duplication.
9. Address Priority 1(B), considerations, as applicable.
Proposal Narrative: Plan for Collecting Data

This section must include—

1. A plan for collecting all of the performance measures data required by this solicitation.

2. A description of the qualifications of key staff who will be responsible for collecting data and reporting performance measures in JustGrants.
Budget Worksheet and Budget Narrative (Web-Based Form)

- Use the JustGrants web-based form.
- Personnel costs should relate to the key personnel for the project.
- The budget should include adequate funding to fully implement the project, broken out by year, reflecting 36 months.
- The budget should be mathematically sound and correspond with information described in the Proposal Narrative and aligned with the project design.
- Address Priority 1B considerations, if applicable.
Create a **SMART** Budget

Be **SPECIFIC** when listing all your expenses

Under the computation column of the budget, make sure your costs are **MEASURABLE**

Ensure that your budget items are **ATTAINABLE**

If you put your timeline next to your budget, make sure each item is accounted for, then your budget should be **RELEVANT**.

Make sure your budget is **TIME-BOUND** and broken down year by year or month by month.
Applications Should Also Include

Along with the **3 required documents**, the following information **should be included** in the application submission:

- Information to Complete the Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424) in Grants.gov
- Standard Application Information (SF-424 info from Grants.gov)
- Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (if applicable)
- Financial Management and System of Internal Controls Questionnaire
- Disclosure of Process Related to Executive Compensation
- Service Partner MOUs, Letters of Intent, and Subcontracts/Subgrants
- Training Plan
- Position Descriptions and Resumes
- Tribal Authorizing Resolution (if applicable)
- Research and Evaluation Independence and Integrity (if applicable)
- Documentation of DOJ Priority Areas (if applicable)
- Request and Justification for Employee Compensation; Waiver (if applicable)
- Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (SF-LLL)
- Applicant Disclosure of Duplication in Cost Items
- DOJ Certified Standard Assurances
- DOJ Certifications Regarding Lobbying; Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters; and Drug-Free Workplace Requirements
- Applicant Disclosure and Justification—DOJ High-Risk Grantees (if applicable)
Hallmarks of an Outstanding Application

- Use simple and concise language.
- Ensure information is presentable and organized!
- Add tables, graphs, staff photos, and other images when possible while being mindful of grant guidelines.
- Be realistic about how you will achieve goals.
- Get feedback from those who may run the project!
- Make sure the proposal is consistent with the solicitation.
- Check, recheck, and check again—budget, grant requirements, references, and other grant details.
Common Reasons Cited for a Weak Application

- Too ambitious or lacks focus
- Applicant lacks appropriate expertise to carry out the proposed project
- No evidence of feasibility (do not assume reviewers are as familiar with the project as you are)
- Poor writing and a lot of errors
Application Process
Two Step Application Process

Submission into Grants.Gov
Due: June 28, 2022

Submission of the Full Application into JustGrants and Grants.gov
Due: July 5, 2022
Step 1: Apply in Grants.gov

DOJ applications require you to complete two things:

1. **The Funding Opportunity and Application Package on Grants.gov.**
   1) Select **Apply for Grants** under the Applicants column.
   2) Enter your email address to be notified of any changes to the opportunity package before the closing date.
   3) Click the Workspace icon to use Grants.gov.

2. **The SF-424 and SF-LLL on Grants.gov.**
   Within 48 hours of SF-424 and SF-LLL submission, you should receive two notifications from Grants.gov.
   1) Confirming the receipt of the SF-424 and SF-LLL.
   2) Stating whether the SF-424 and SF-LLL were successfully validated and submitted or were rejected due to errors—with an explanation.
Step 2: Apply in JustGrants

Applicants will then submit the full application including attachments in JustGrants at JustGrants.usdoj.gov.
Web-based Forms for Submission in JustGrants

There are certain web-based forms that must be submitted directly into the system.

- Proposal Abstract
- Solicitation-Specific Data submitted with the Application
- Goals, Objectives, Deliverables, and Timelines
- Budget Detail Form
- Application Disclosure of Duplication Cost Items

**Pay attention to required sections.** If a section is required and presents you with web-based entries, you cannot upload a document instead. You must use the format required in the application.
What to Expect After Submitting an Application

The entity will be notified that they have received an award when all applications for the solicitation have been reviewed before September 30.

The system will notify:
• The Entity Administrator and Authorized Representative when the deadline for applications has changed.
• The Application Submitter, Entity Administrator, and Authorized Representative when the application is received in JustGrants from Grants.gov.
• The Entity Administrator when the award notification has been sent.

The entity should check the system regularly so that any upcoming deadlines for submitting applications and documentation are addressed in a timely manner.

Once the application deadline passes in JustGrants, you may see a banner that says it is past due. If your status is “Submitted,” your application has been received by DOJ and you can ignore the past due banner.
JustGrants Training Resources

Organized by Topics

Micro-learning videos

Job Aid Reference Guides
# JustGrants Office Hours: Application Mechanics

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Check website for updates: [https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov/training/training-virtual-sessions](https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov/training/training-virtual-sessions)
Visit: https://www.ojp.gov/funding/apply/ojp-grant-application-resource-guide
Important Web Resources

• Office for Victims of Crime: https://ovc.ojp.gov
• JustGrants: https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov/
• Grants.gov: https://www.grants.gov
• OJP Grant Application Resource Guide: https://www.ojp.gov/funding/apply/ojp-grant-application-resource-guide
• OVC Training and Technical Assistance Center: www.ovcttac.gov
• Grant Performance Measurement Reporting: https://ojp.gov/performance/
• OJP Resource Center: https://www.ojp.gov/ncjrs/new-ojp-resources
Important Contact Information


Technical Assistance Submitting the FULL APPLICATION into JustGrants: 833–872–5175 | JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov

Technical Assistance with Programmatic Requirements contact the OJP Response Center: 800–851–3420 | grants@ncjrs.gov
Important Dates

Part 1: **Submit SF-424, SF-LLL in Grants.gov** by

Part 2: **Submit Full Application in JustGrants.gov** by
Sign up for updates on new funding opportunities and other OVC announcements at: https://puborder.ncjrs.gov/Listservs/subscribe_newsfromovc.asp
2022 National Crime Victims' Rights Week

Use the 2022 NCVRW artwork to help inspire your community and raise awareness of victims’ rights. The 2022 NCVRW theme is Rights, access, equity for all victims.

This year's theme underscores the importance of helping crime survivors find their justice by—

• enforcing victims' rights,
• expanding access to services, and
• ensuring equity and inclusion for all.
Go Social With OVC!

Like: https://www.facebook.com/OJPOVC

Follow: https://twitter.com/OJPOVC

Watch: www.youtube.com/user/OJPOVC
Questions?

To submit a question, use the Q&A Box and select All Panelists