

DARYL FOX: Good afternoon, everyone. And welcome to today's webinar, "FY 2023 National Mass Violence Victimization Resource Center," hosted by the Office for Victims of Crime. At this time, it's my pleasure to introduce Eugenia Pedley, Program Manager with the Office for Victims of Crime, for some welcome remarks and to begin the presentation. Eugenia?

EUGENIA PEDLEY: Thank you, Daryl. Good afternoon, everyone. And thanks for joining us. This is just a quick outline for today's session. Let's move to the next slide, Daryl. Thanks.

This is just a quick outline for the session today. We'll go over OVC's Mission and the Solicitation, including the opportunity focus, eligibility, and required documents. Then we'll discuss the Application Process and Resources. At the conclusion of all this, there should be time to answer questions. Please check the chat box periodically, as many of the links mentioned in the presentation will be posted there. We have a lot to cover and not much time to get through the slides. So, I'm going to try to move pretty quickly through them, including talking pretty fast.

OVC's mission is to enhance the Nation's capacity to assist crime victims and provide leadership in changing attitudes, policies, and practices to promote justice and healing for all victims of crime. The Office for Victims of Crime administers the Crime Victims Fund, also known as, the Fund, which is financed by fines and penalties paid by convicted federal offenders and not from tax dollars. OVC channels that money towards victim compensation and assistance throughout the United States, raises awareness about victims' issues, promotes compliance with victims' rights laws, and provides training and technical assistance and publications and products to victim assistance professionals. In fiscal year 2023, OVC has been appropriated over \$1,800,000,000 to help improve victim servitude throughout the country. The majority of OVC funding is Victims for Crime Act Funding that goes to States and territories as formula funding for victim compensation and victim assistance programs. There is also approximately \$95,000,000 in anti-trafficking funding, \$95,000,000 for tribal efforts, and the rest for discretionary programs. OVC's mass violence and terrorism program falls under the discretionary area.

Now, we'll go through who is eligible to apply with the solicitation, the documents needed to apply, and the application process and resources.

The types of organizations that are eligible to apply for the solicitation are listed on the slide. And they include Public and State controlled institutions of higher ed and private institutions of higher education. An applicant may submit more than one application if each application proposes a different project in response to the solicitation. Also, an entity may be proposed as a subrecipient, sometimes called a subgrantee, in more than one application. OVC will consider applications under which two or more entities would carry out the federal award. However, only one entity may be the applicant. And the others must be proposed as subrecipients. For additional information on subawards,

see the [OJP Grant Application Resource Guide](#). All recipients and subrecipients, including any for profit organization, must forgo any profit or management fee.

I'm not going to read all the details here. But know that it's in the solicitation. Generalizing, however, OVC currently has a National Mass Violence Victimization Resource Center, which we sometimes refer to as the Mass Violence Center. We want to continue many of the activities currently underway and add some new elements. We also have an existing project listed in the third bullet that we refer to as either Improving Community Preparedness or ICPTTA. That's currently a standalone project, but it will be folded under the new iteration of the Mass Violence Center. The activities will be largely the same as what's occurring under the current project. Because of this, in the solicitation, there are links to websites for both the existing Mass Violence Center and ICPTTA. These were provided for applicants to know what is currently being done under these existing awards. One thing that we have not done to date is have a large Mass Violence Conference, but we plan to host one under this award.

The information--This information is described in detail under the Specific Information Section. I think it's fairly obvious to anyone reading the news, but mass violence and terrorism incidents are not going away any time soon and neither is the need to plan for this events. So we recommend communities do that and integrate victims' needs into existing emergency response plans. Because of the ongoing number of incidents, the Mass Violence Center and concepts underpinning ICPTTA are needed to help develop strategies to share victims of these incidents.

The overall goal of this project is to fund a Mass Violence Center that operates on a national level, to help victims, their families, first responders, and others who are affected by these events. There are a variety of ways that we plan to achieve that, including through Training and Technical Assistance, or TTA, education, technology, planning and responses, and other related activities.

The information listed here is also listed in more detail in the solicitation. We'll go through these and the deliverables separately in the following slides. Please be aware that all applicants need to address all the objectives listed in the goals, objectives, deliverables, and timeline web-based form. The goals, objectives, and deliverables are directly related to the performance measures that show the completed work's results, as discussed in the Application and Submission Information section of the solicitation.

The following is a synopsis of the deliverables mentioned in the solicitation. I've added a deliverable number to the bullet so that you can match them to the objectives in the solicitation. In general, we're interested in TTA to assess and/or triage victims' behavioral and mental health needs, connecting victims with culturally appropriate interventions, participating in victim and provider forums, and engaging with community and--communities, and Resiliency Centers, which are longer terms single point of entry Centers for victims to access a variety of services. We're also interested in the Center developing and providing behavioral and mental health education and training to providers, victims, and other stakeholders. We're further interested in having the Center

examine how various elements of mass violence incidents affect victims. For example, perhaps exploring the intersections and differences between mass violence and broader community violence, hate crimes, and domestic violence, and then producing applicable reports or other products.

We also know that using technology effectively can help serve victims and stakeholders, so we want the Center to leverage technology appropriately. Some of the resources and products we're interested in include a Resiliency Guide, an Employer Guide, Peer Support Guide, materials that are appropriate for children, and so forth. A new activity under the Center will be to develop and host a victim related Mass Violence Conference.

Some of the activities being done or under development in the current Mass Violence Center would include the following. Items include education along the lines of learning collaboratives, and training for mental health providers, maintaining the Transcend Mobile Self-Help app, continuing development and maintaining an AEAP grant application template, having a Virtual Resiliency Center, analyzing incidents to enhance knowledge about effective victim responses, having an After-Action template, continuing stakeholder engagement, creating a variety of protocols relating to virtual support for victims, examining appropriate mental health interventions for survivors, etc. We're interested in continuing these elements as well as developing new activities.

With ICPTTA, there are eight objectives and deliverables. The details are in the solicitation, but in general, we want individualized TTA to a variety of entities, including law enforcement, to assist them in developing procedures to proactively prepare to address the needs of mass violence victims after these incidents. Most agencies have emergency response plans. However, they may lack detailed policies for how to address victims' issues, and assist victim aspects that we want them to include. The project should have an outreach plan, including presenting at conferences, workshops, and such. And track the request for TTA along with the support that was provided. The project helps agencies primarily through the use of expert consultants and/or award partners.

There will be one award of \$8.9 million, broken down further as shown on the slide and described in the solicitation. The duration of the award will be 36 months beginning on October 1st. OVC may, in certain cases, provide additional funding in future years to awards made under the solicitation to continuation awards. OJP will consider among other factors OJP's strategic priorities, a recipient's overall management of the award, and the award funded work's progress when making continuation and award decisions. This solicitation and awards under this solicitation are subject to the availability of appropriated funds, and to any modifications or additional requirements that may be imposed by the agency or law. In addition, nothing in the solicitation is intended to and does not create any right or benefit, substantive, or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the United States, its departments, agencies, or entities, its officers, employees, or agents, or any other person.

This award will be made as a Cooperative Agreement. That means there will be a lot of involvement between OVC and the grantee during this award. And OVC will participate closely in the performance of the award.

On this next section, we will talk about the Application and Submission.

So here are some of the deadlines. The Grants.gov deadline is 11:59 p.m., Eastern Time on April 18th. And the JustGrants deadline is 8:59 p.m., Eastern on April 25th. Excuse me. New applicants should apply for a Unique Identity Identifier, or UEI number in SAM.gov, as soon as possible. There have been extensive delays with entity validation service process in SAM and you should not wait until the last minute. By the way, SAM is short for System for Award Management. And delays are also being experienced by entities that have changed their legal business name or physical address. Excuse me. So please be aware of this and act in a timely fashion, not at the last minute. The award should be made by September 30th and begin on October 1st, but please note that no work may begin until a final budget has been approved by OJP.

To meet the basic minimum requirements to advance to peer review and receive consideration for funding, your application must have these elements, Proposal Abstract; Proposal Narrative, with the components listed on the slide; and a Web-Based Budget, including budget details and budget narrative. Remember, if you fail to submit any of the required documents, your application will not be considered for funding.

An abstract summarizing the proposed project including its purpose, activities, outcomes, service areas, beneficiaries, and subrecipients, must be completed in the JustGrants web-based form. This abstract should be in paragraph form without bullets and tables, written in the third person, and exclude any Personally Identifiable Information or PII. Abstracts will be made publicly available on the OJP and usaspending.gov website if the project is awarded. See the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide for an additional example of a proposal abstract.

These are the Proposal Narrative formatting requirements. If the proposal narrative fails to comply with these restrictions, OVC may consider such noncompliance in peer review and in final award decisions. Also note that tables, charts, or graphs may be in a different font, and do not count towards the page limit.

We'll talk about these in more detail. But the following sections are part of the Proposal Narrative and their review criteria. Statement of the Problem or a Description of the Issue is 10 percent. Project Design and Implementation is 40 percent. Capabilities and Competencies are 30 percent. Plan for Collecting the Data for this Solicitation's Performance Measures are 5 percent. And while not considered part of the proposal, the budget makes up another 5 percent, and other attachments make up the last 10 percent.

Statement of the Problem or Description of the Issue. We want applicants to describe the issue, explain how this project will help address the problem, and describe the

difficulties of victims, communities, and first responders face when these events occur. We're also interested in seeing suggestions to address any noted gaps in resources.

The Project Design and Implementation, for 40 percent, we want you to describe the strategy to address the needs identified in the Description of the Issue and how you will maintain and execute the activities of a Mass Violence Center. List the activities and describe how they relate to the stated objectives. Activities are the specific actions to be undertaken to fulfill the program's objective and the reach the program's goal or goals. Provide a detailed description of the methods to be used to carry out that activity. A general description of how effectiveness will be measured should be included, and if applicable, contributions and responsibilities of potential project partners and descriptions of tools or resources to be used. Provide a timetable indicating roughly when the activities or the program milestones are to be accomplished.

Under Capabilities and Competencies, describe the capabilities and competencies required to accomplish the goals and objectives of the project. This should--and this section should demonstrate your knowledge of domestic mass violence victims issues and detail staff expertise and responsibilities. This section should also include a description of the infrastructure to carry out the tasks, manage any contracts and subawards, produce and disseminate high-quality products, and develop and host a conference. Due to the nature of incidents of mass violence, this section should also demonstrate flexibility and adaptability to changing situations. An applicant may provide an organization and management plan in narrative or chart form with any charts included as a separate attachment.

In the Plan for Collecting the Data for this Solicitation's Performance Measures, please note that applicants are not required to submit performance data with the application. We include performance measure information as an alert that the successful applicant will be required to submit performance data as part of the award's reporting requirements. Performance measures are parameters against which progress towards goals can be assessed and consist of your program's inputs, activities, outputs, and outcomes. While this data satisfies the reporting requirement of your grant, it also provides an excellent opportunity to self-assess your program and your agency's progress. As a first step, review your program's performance measures focusing on the numbers, narratives, or other data you will need to collect to answer the questions posed by OVC. OJP will require each successful applicant to submit regular performance data that show the completed work's result. The performance data directly relate to the goals, objectives, and deliverables. Applicants can visit OJP's performance measurement page at the link that will be provided in the chat, but it's also [www.ojp.gov/performance](http://www.ojp.gov/performance) for an overview of the performance measures activities at OJP. OVC will require award recipients to submit performance measure data and performance reports in JustGrants. If you're selected, OVC will provide further guidance on post-award submission progress--or the process, I should say.

For the budget web-based form, the applicant will complete the JustGrants web-based form. Breakdown costs to year by year, as in costs for year one, costs for year two, etc.,

reflecting 36 months total of project activities. Applicants can see the Budget Preparation and Submission Information of the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide for details on the budget and associated documentation, such as information on proposed subawards, proposed procurement contracts under awards, and pre-agreement costs. For questions pertaining to budget and examples of unallowable and allowable cost, visit the OJ--DOJ Grants Financial Guide.

Just like your objective needs to be SMART, so does your budget. Your budget also needs to be Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, and Time-bound. In this solicitation, you should also pay attention to the breakdown of the funding. Since there is funding for overall Mass Violence Center as well as sub-elements including ICPTTA project and a conference. So be specific when listing your expenses in sub-categories. Make sure your costs are measurable under the computation column of the budget. To ensure that your budget items are achievable, your budget needs to make sense. For example, is there enough work for your project director to be hired on a full-time basis? On a flipside, do you have ample resources included in your budget to meet the objectives? Your budget should also be relevant. So if you put your timeline next to your budget and are sure that each item is accounted for, then your budget would be relevant. And your budget also needs to be time-bound. The budget should be listed year by year for a total of 36 months. Pay attention to what the duration is and prepare your budget broken down year by year. You want to make sure reviewers can understand your budget and that it makes sense.

The application checklist at the end of each solicitation will include other documents as well. To use the checklist in your review prior to submitting your application to--I'm sorry. Use the checklist in your review prior to submitting your application to ensure you have attached all the required documents. Other resources to aid you in developing your application include the DOJ Application Submission Checklist, a JustGrants Quick Reference about Application Attachments, and there is a larger Application Submission Job Aid covering potential attachments that you may be asked to provide.

Here are some of the items to remember when you're developing your program narrative and budget. Use simple and concise language. Information should be presentable and organized. Include any relevant supporting tables or graphs as needed. Be realistic about how you will achieve goals. And also ensure that the proposal addresses the elements of the solicitation.

These are some common reasons cited for a weak application. It's too ambitious or doesn't seem to have a clear focus. An applicant lacks expertise to carry out what they say they will do. The application submitted does not seem feasible. And let's not forget that a weak application may have a lot of errors and be poorly written.

So now, we're going to go over the actual Application Process.

This part of the grant's lifecycle involves completing and submitting web-based forms and any requested attachments based on the requirements in the published solicitation.

The process of submitting an application in JustGrants begins in Grants.gov. Once you have located a funding opportunity with DOJ, you will submit an SF-424 and an SF-LLL in Grants.gov. This is the extent of the application requirements in Grants.gov. Aside from the SF forms just mentioned, most of your application is entered in JustGrants. Your entity information is populated based on the entries made in SAM.gov and used in Grants.gov. You will have two application submission deadlines, one for Grants.gov and one for JustGrants. And again, the bulk of the application requirements will be submitted in JustGrants. Each solicitation has an application--I'm sorry, application submission deadline in Grants.gov. After this date, the solicitation is removed from Grants.gov and no one will be able to apply. It is highly recommended that you check the due date in Grants.gov and try to submit at least 72 hours prior to the deadline to allow for time to correct any errors and resubmit if necessary. It's okay to enter preliminary information in Grants.gov if you haven't fully determined your project budget or scope. You will still be able to edit and update all of your entries in JustGrants.

For this solicitation, once again, the Grants.gov deadline is 11:59 p.m., Eastern Time on April 18th and the JustGrants deadline is 8:59 p.m., Eastern Time on April 25th. Once the application has been submitted and validated in Grants.gov, it will be sent to JustGrants for completion. Please note, it may take several days for Grants.gov to complete validations and release the application to JustGrants. As you can see, JustGrants has its own submission deadline after the Grants.gov deadline. Submitting early in both systems is recommended. The JustGrants submission should include all the items that are required in the solicitation and the submission is final. Some of the ways that JustGrants streamlines the process is that you are provided with the ability to use a web-based budget detail worksheet. Not only is this process more efficient, but it also establishes a shared structure and narrative for all DOJ. Streamline validation of your budget allows the process of clearing new budgets to be faster. Your organization, specifically your Entity Administrator, can control users and award assignments and does not require intervention from DOJ to make updates to those assignments. The Entity Administrator defaults to your organization's E-biz Point of Contact but that person can reassign the responsibility to another user, as needed.

There are certain web-based forms that must be submitted directly into the system such as your proposal abstract and solicitation-specific data. For those are return users, you're going to need to submit your goals, objectives, deliverables, and timeline just like before. Make sure your budget information is included in the budget detail form, and lastly, your disclosure of duplication in cost items.

After you submitted your application, you're probably wondering what's next. Once the application for the solicitation has been reviewed, the entity will then be notified, which happens on or before September 30th. Please remember who your Entity Administrator and Authorized Representative are, because they will be notified when the deadline for applications will be changed. The system will also notify the Application Submitter, Entity Administrator, and Authorized Representative when the application has been received in JustGrants from Grants.gov. And the Entity Administration will receive notification when the award notification has been sent. If you submitted your application,

the status will be submitted. You may also see a banner that indicates that it's past due. This banner indicates that the submission deadline has passed, not that your application itself is past due.

Now we'll explore the different resources available to you and information on the different systems you will touch in your application process.

To learn about OVC's history and funding, find products, and register for upcoming events, visit the [OVC website](#).

A good starting point for applicants is the [DOJ Grants Financial Guide](#), which serves as the primary reference manual to assist OJP award recipients in fulfilling their fiduciary responsibilities and safe guard grant funds, and ensure the funds are used for the purposes for which they were awarded. It complies with the variety of laws, rules, and regulations for the effective financial and administrative management of your award. References to the underlying laws and regulations have been provided in the guide as much as possible. This guide should be the starting point for all recipients and subrecipients of DOJ grants and cooperative agreements in ensuring the effective day-to-day management of awards.

The [OJP Grant Application Resource Guide](#) provides guidance to assist grant applicants in preparing and submitting applications for OJP funding. It addresses a variety of policies, statutes, and regulations that apply to many, or in some cases, all OJP program applicants or to grants and cooperative agreements awarded in fiscal year 2023. Some OJP programs may have program solicitations that expressly modify a provision of this guide. In such cases, applicants should follow the guidelines in the solicitation regarding any expressly modified provision.

Here, OJP grant applicants and grantees will find an overview of performance measures at--I'm sorry, [performance measurement](#) activities at OJP. While you will not submit performance measures with our application, this will give you an idea of the types of information that will be requested if you are awarded. This website can also help familiarize you with the systems that you might use.

Moving on to system tools, before submitting an application, all applicants must register with the System for Award Management or [SAM](#). You must renew and validate your registration every 12 months. If you do not renew your SAM registration, it will expire. An expired registration can delay or prevent application submission. Registration and renewal can take up to 10 business days to complete so be sure to get started early.

Moving on to system tools, again. Once you are all set in SAM.gov, [Grants.gov](#) is your first stop in starting the application. Under the Applicants tab, you will find Training and Technical Information on Applying, the Grants.gov system, and the Funding Opportunity Process. Please be aware that all OJP solicitations have two deadlines that must be met to be considered for funding. The first, again, is in Grants.gov and then a few days to a few weeks later, you will need to submit your full application in JustGrants. Once

you submit in Grants.gov, please keep an eye out for an email confirming that you have successfully submitted. If you do not successfully submit in Grants.gov, you will not be able to complete your JustGrants application.

The next system you will use is [JustGrants](#). JustGrants is intended to be an end-to-end grants management system that applicants and grantees will access and use throughout the cycle--the grant cycle from application to award to close out. And JustGrants offers training resources on the DOJ website. You can explore the resources by topic. Typically, you will find an in-depth job reference aid and short step-by-step videos which are meant to be used while you are working and can really help if you're in the middle of a JustGrants task and want to verify next steps. You will also find quick reference guides that will walk you step-by-step through specific tasks. Two quick reference guides related to the application submission topic are Application Attachments Quick Reference Guide and Printing an Application Quick Reference Guide.

Additionally, JustGrants offers live sessions each week, such as [JustGrants Office Hours on Application Mechanics](#) every Wednesday from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time. These live virtual sessions discuss everything you need to know to submit the--an application. The next sessions are listed here and on the website. Other topics covered on different days include Entity and Management Virtual Q&A on Tuesdays; Award Acceptance Virtual Q&A on Thursdays, which is helpful after you have been notified of an award; and even Post Award Management Virtual Q&As on Mondays. Please be sure to start your application in JustGrants as soon as possible to confirm that you have access and do your best to submit your application well before the due date. OJP will only accept late applications, if an applicant can demonstrate that there is a technical reason that they could not submit. You will want to ensure you have plenty of time to address any technical issues you may encounter.

In terms of personal help, OVC's Training and Technical Assistance Center, known as [OVC TTAC](#), offers free education and training tools. Attendees build the skills to reach out to victims of every type of crime, from every background in every place, and offer them what they need to rebuild their lives.

The [OJP Response Center](#) offers justice and drug-related information to support research, policy, and program development worldwide. You can subscribe and find funding opportunities, recent publications, online resources, and upcoming events.

To assist potential applicants in developing strong proposals in response to our current funding opportunities, OVC has hosted educational [webinars](#) for interested stakeholders to learn more about the program, objectives, and submission requirements. Each webinar had a question and answer session before the conclusion. You may want to review our previously held webinars for information on how to apply. Sign up for [News From OVC](#) to stay up to date and webinars as they are scheduled. And you can find OVC's [funding opportunities](#) and the other opportunities on the [DOJ program plan](#). Links to those have been added to the chat, or at least hopefully they have been.

Here is a list of contact information that will be important to you as you prepare your applications. This information will be in each solicitation. First is SAM.gov for assistance, registering, or renewing registration. Next is Grants.gov, which is available to provide technical assistance when submitting the SF-424 and the SF-LLL. They can be reached by phone at 1-800-518-4726 or email [support@grants.gov](mailto:support@grants.gov).

Next is JustGrants, which is available to provide technical assistance on submitting the full application. They can be reached by phone or email as shown on the slide. When contacting any of these system helpdesks, please be sure to request a tracking number so that you can document that you sought assistance with your issue. This will be important in the event you need to document that you had a technical issue that prevented you from submitting the application.

The OJP Response Center is available to provide technical assistance and answer questions about programmatic requirements of the solicitation. They can be reached through the phone number or email listed on the slide. If you are a current grantee, we appreciate your understanding that your grant manager and other OVC staff cannot answer questions about an open solicitation directly. For purposes of fairness and transparency, if you reach out to us, we will have to refer you back to the OJP Response Center so that your question can be documented and addressed officially. Finally, please keep in mind that the OJP Response Center is also who you will need to contact within 24 hours of the Grants.gov or JustGrants solicitation deadline, should you experience any technical issues that prevented your application submission. Keep in mind you will need to be able to document any technical issues, which is why starting your application early and maintaining any tracking numbers, if you have a reported issue, is critical.

You can also go social with OVC and stay up to date with news and happenings. You can check out the links shown on the slide, if you want to follow OVC on social media.

And that wraps up the presentation portion. And so now, we'll take your questions. To submit a question, please use the Q&A box and select All Panelists. And thank you for your time and attention today.

DARYL FOX: Thanks so much for that, Eugenia. And just a reminder, as you do gather your questions enter those in the Q&A box. For--that the PowerPoint recording and transcript for today will be posted to the OVC website, so you'll be able to go back and take a look at the information that was mentioned today.

First question is, "Is this grant only for higher education institutions?"

EUGENIA PEDLEY: Yes, it is. Those are the only entities that can apply. So if you're a nonprofit or something along those lines, you're not eligible to apply for this solicitation.

DARYL FOX: "Can a subrecipient enter into their own subrecipient relationships for the purpose of the grant?"

EUGENIA PEDLEY: The answer is yes. Subrecipients can have subrecipients, if I'm understanding the question correctly. And I'll use an example from some of the Anti-Terrorism and Emergency Assistance Program grants they typically run. Often, those are provided to state VOCA offices and there are subrecipients under that. Occasionally, the VOCA office, wants one larger subrecipient and then that larger subrecipient has additional subrecipients. So, yes, it is possible. And my suggestion is if you're contemplating that in the application, if you know those subrecipients' subrecipients, I would go ahead and put those in the application.

DARYL FOX: "Can you say how broadly you define who is a victim or is that up to the applicant themselves?" The second part of the question is--well, I'll wait until you answer that one.

EUGENIA PEDLEY: No, go ahead. Go ahead.

DARYL FOX: "Then also, do you prescribe criteria for a mass violence incident, such as in terms of location, number of victims, or circumstances?"

EUGENIA PEDLEY: Okay. So I can say that we have victim definitions under our Antiterrorism and Emergency Assistance program, and I would reference applicants to that. I can pull that up, if you give me a moment and tell you what that is, because this is, generally speaking, what we go by. Please bear with me for a moment. And this should also be on the site--I mean, online. Just a second. Okay. So, generally, for our AEAP grant, which is a standard for our mass violence program at OVC, OVC defines direct victims to be individuals who were killed or injured, witnesses or individuals who are in direct proximity to the crime, and first responders who responded to the incident. Indirect victims are generally family or those bound by a familial-type relationship of direct victims and additional law enforcement personnel, first responders, victim service providers, or others who interacted in a meaningful way with the direct victims. Generally, except for those direct and indirect victims that I just described, individuals who are not within sight of the event, not in the same building, or those in the larger community, are not considered victims for purposes of this program. I don't know if that answered the second part of the question. Oh, the criteria, so we actually do not have a set number of victims. I know some other agencies do. That is not something that we rely on at OVC.

DARYL FOX: "Then regarding the subrecipients," question asked earlier, "if they may have their own, then the prime is responsible for monitoring all the subs, is that correct?"

EUGENIA PEDLEY: So generally speaking, the way it works is the OVC has an award with the grantee, we monitor the grantee. The grantee monitors any subrecipients. And

then. any subrecipients would monitor their subrecipients. So it kind of steps down, if that makes sense.

DARYL FOX: Just another question on "eligibility, asking about nonprofits." I can actually go to that slide, Eugenia. Bear with me, if you just want to discuss eligibility in a general sense.

EUGENIA PEDLEY: The eligibility is what's stated on the slide. It's public and state controlled institutions of higher education and private institutions of higher education. No nonprofits that are not one of those two can apply for this award.

DARYL FOX: That's the end of the queue this time. There's--we'll just wait a few more moments. If you do have a question, please enter that into the Q&A, we will be happy to get to it.

I'll also reiterate what Eugenia mentioned as far as--once we conclude today, if you do have additional questions that come to mind, you can contact the OJP Response Center directly. Information on the slide here, [grants@ncirs.gov](mailto:grants@ncirs.gov), and they'll be able to assist you.

There was a question about "will the questions in today's webinar be posted?"

And as mentioned, the transcript and the recording will be made available, so those will be included everything that we've asked and answer today.

Next question, "Are multiple victims of mass incidents that are related to community gun violence covered by the definition of victim for this particular grant?"

EUGENIA PEDLEY: Let me see the question again. I'm not sure I understand it. Are multiple victims... Okay. So community violence is separate from mass violence. I know that there are some similarities between the two. But for purposes of this solicitation in OVC's Mass Violence Program, they are different.

DARYL FOX: "And can you confirm that objectives one, four, and seven are referring to building capacity of agencies, providing direct services to victims, as opposed to the NMVRC providing the direct service?"

EUGENIA PEDLEY: All right. Let me go back. Let me pull that up. Okay. One more time with that?

DARYL FOX: Regarding objectives one, four, and seven.

EUGENIA PEDLEY: One, four...

DARYL FOX: "Is the building capacity of agencies providing direct service, not them at the NMVRC?"

EUGENIA PEDLEY: Well, for--I would refer you to the solicitation. It says that the direct--yeah, they're not doing direct community services, you know, under this not direct care. For example, in this solicitation, I believe it's on page 4 under deliverable one, we're talking about connecting victims with culturally appropriate mental health and early interventions, not direct care. Let me see what number four is. Yeah. So we're not necessarily talking about the Mass Violence Center being a counselor, if that makes any sense.

DARYL FOX: "And then, if certain registrants and attendees today have submitted questions that weren't able to be addressed today, will those be answered and posted at a later time or direct them to the Response Center for those questions?"

EUGENIA PEDLEY: I would have them go to the Response Center.

DARYL FOX: And let me put that slide back up for everybody on today.

"May partners and subcontractors provide one signed letter including all requirements, both the MOU and letter of support?"

EUGENIA PEDLEY: I'm sorry, one more time?

DARYL FOX: "Can they provide one signed letter, including all the requirements for both the MOU and letter of support rather than multiple letters?"

EUGENIA PEDLEY: I think that's up to the applicant. I think the important part is that there's an agreement in place, you know, for certain activities. I don't think the format matters.

DARYL FOX: And then, there's a pretty involved question that came in regarding the project design.

EUGENIA PEDLEY: Yes, I just saw it. It is the same timeline, it's not a different one.

DARYL FOX: And for those listening, the question was about "a timeline form in the project design and implementation section."

EUGENIA PEDLEY: All right. And it is outside the 30-page limit.

DARYL FOX: Okay. That seems to be the end of the questions in the queue at this time. We can hang on a few more moments, Eugenia.

EUGENIA PEDLEY: Okay.

DARYL FOX: Okay. I guess that will be it for today. Is there anything in closing you wanted to mention before we close out?

EUGENIA PEDLEY: No. Just that, you know, I hope folks follow the instructions and submit early. And keep track of any problems that you have submitting and we're looking forward to the applications.

DARYL FOX: Wonderful. So on behalf of the Office for Victims of Crime and our panelist, I want to thank you for joining today's webinar. This will end today's presentation.