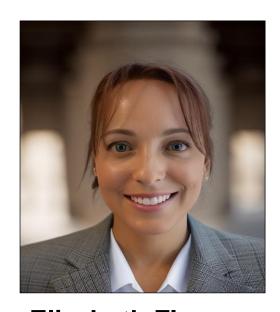


OVC FY25 Technology to Support Services for Victims of Crime Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

Pre-Application Information Session

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Webinar Outline

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OVC FY25 Invited to Apply Tribal Victim Services Set-Aside Formula Program

Closing Date: June 6, 2025 Grants.gov Deadline: May 9, 2025

Application JustGrants Deadline: June 6, 2025

Tribal applicants whose OVC FY25 Tribal Victim Services Set-Aside (TVSSA) Formula Program population certification was accepted will be notified via an email to the applicant primary points of contact and authorized representatives. Funding under this program can be used to support activities such as direct services to victims of crime, traditional healing practices, needs assessment and strategic planning, and more.

OVC FY25 Tribal Victim Services Set-Aside Formula Grant Program Population Certification ℰ

OVC's Tribal Victim Services Set-Aside (TVSSA) formula grant program is dedicated to

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Find funding opportunities at https://ovc.ojp.gov/funding/current-funding-opportunities.



About the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC)

OVC raises awareness of crime victims' issues and supports programs that assist all victims in the aftermath of crime. The office provides leadership and funding for:

- Providing critical direct services
- Analyzing emerging needs and existing gaps in victim services
- Identifying and replicating best practices
- Implementing data-driven and technical innovations in victim services



Notice of Funding Opportunity Overview



Funding Opportunity Details

NOFO Title	OVC FY25 Technology to Support Services for Victims of Crime
Funding Opportunity Number	O-OVC-2025-172430
Funding Opportunity Release Date	July 22, 2025
Grants.gov Deadline	August 15, 2025, 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time
JustGrants Deadline	August 20, 2025, 8:59 p.m. Eastern Time
Award Notification Date	Generally by September 30, 2025
NOFO Type	Competitive
URL	https://ovc.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/o-ovc-2025-172430
Pre-Application Video	https://ovc.ojp.gov/funding/funding-webinars



Categories

Competition ID	Category	Anticipated Number of Awards	Anticipated Award Ceiling	Performance Start Date	Performance Duration (Months)
C-OVC- 2025-00005- PROD	Category 1: Advancing the Use of Technology to Assist Victims of Crime	6	\$600,000	10/01/2025	36
C-OVC- 2025-00006- PROD	Category 2: Building State Technology Capacity to Serve Victims of Crime	4	\$500,000	10/01/2025	36

Applicants may submit only **one application** in response to the NOFO, and an applicant can only apply to **one category** in their application.



Program Description

This NOFO has two funding categories (applicants can apply to only one category):

Category 1: Advancing the Use of Technology to Assist Victims of Crime

Awards under this category will be made to support innovative strategies to create, expand, or
enhance the use of technology by victim service organizations to improve interaction with
crime victims, elevate service quality, and ensure accessibility and responsiveness.

Category 2: Building State Technology Capacity to Serve Victims of Crime

• Awards under this category will be made **to state administering agencies (SAAs)** to support statewide technology programs to enhance victims' access to services, foster innovation and efficiency in the provision of services, and improve the quality of services.



Eligibility – Category 1

The following entities are eligible to apply:



state, county, city, special district, Native American Tribal

Educational Organizations

- public and private
- Public Housing Organizations
 - public housing authorities, Indian housing authorities
- Nonprofit Organizations
 - with 501(c)(3) status and without
- Other Units of Local Government
 - towns, boroughs, parishes, villages
 - * For additional information on eligibility, please review the NOFO





Eligibility – Category 2

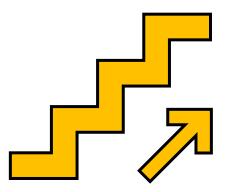
The following entities are eligible to apply:

- State Government Entities
 - Only Victims of Crime Act of 1984 ("VOCA") Formula Assistance and Compensation state administering agencies (SAAs) are eligible
 - For the purposes of this NOFO, "state" means any state of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.
- * For additional information on eligibility, please review the NOFO



Program Goal

Goal 1: To support the use of technology to improve the overall effectiveness, accessibility, and coordination of victim services by strengthening infrastructure, building organizational capacity, and enhancing service delivery systems.





Program Objectives

- Objective 1: Develop or expand the use of technology to enhance victims' access to services, foster innovation and efficiency in the provision of services, improve the quality of services, and improve the accessibility and responsiveness of victim service organizations.
- Objective 2: Leverage and enhance technology to develop organizational capacity to support data collection needs, support victims of crime in new and innovative ways that protect victims' rights and enhance victim safety and confidentiality.



Program Objectives (cont.)

- **Objective 3:** Collaborate with community stakeholders, victim service providers, subrecipient organizations (if applicable), and other allied professionals on the technology needs to best serve victims.
- **Objective 4:** Produce a detailed roadmap detailing (1) the technological gaps in services to be addressed by the proposed project; (2) identifying if the proposed project will enhance or expand existing services, (3) a description of the technical tools or features to be developed; and (4) a strategy to measure project effectiveness in achieving the identified outcomes.



Funding Priorities

OJP will provide priority consideration to applicants that propose projects designed to advance the goals listed below.

- (a) Directly supporting law enforcement operations (including immigration law enforcement operations);
- (b) Combatting violent crime;
- (c) Supporting services to American citizens;
- (d) Protecting American children; and
- (e) Supporting American victims of trafficking and sexual assault.



Performance Measures

 Award recipients are required to submit performance measure data in the Performance Measurement Tool (PMT) and separately submit a semi-annual performance report in JustGrants.

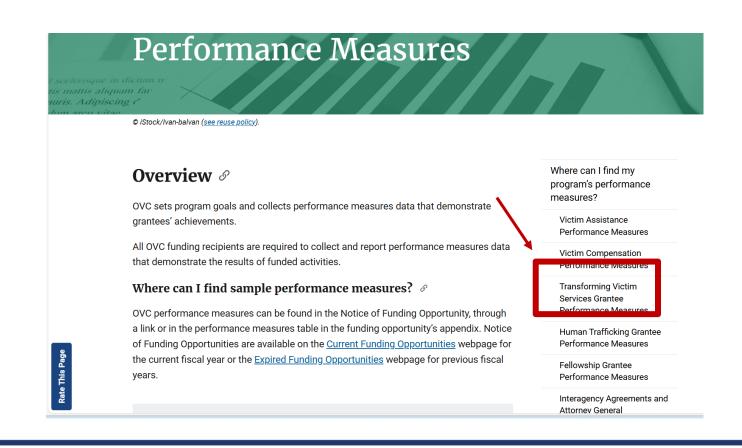
 Applicants selected for an award will receive further guidance on post-award reporting processes.

Visit OJP's performance measurement page for more information.



How to Locate Performance Measures

- Go to the performance measure webpage linked in the NOFO-Performance Measures
- Click on Transforming Victim Services Grantee Performance Measures from the menu on the right





How to Locate Performance Measures (cont.)

- Scroll to the bottom of the page and click on the + sign next to Standard TVS
 Performance Measures to open the menu of resources.
- Use the **Performance Measures Map** to review previous funding opportunities and their corresponding question sets.
- Use the TVS Performance Measure
 Questionnaire to review possible
 performance measures for your award.

Standard TVS Performance Measures

Standard TVS Performance Measures

FY 2021-2024 Transforming Victim Services Performance Measures Map with Question Sets

List of all current and active OVC Transforming Victim Services funding opportunities by fiscal year. Locate the fiscal year and funding opportunity to view the assigned performance measure question sets and corresponding reporting system.

TVS Performance Measure Questionnaire

This document contains a full list of all performance measures for OVC's TVS nonformula grant programs. TVS includes awards funded under multiple funding opportunities and was previously referred to as Vision 21.

TVS Subgrantee Univ Performance Measures Fillable PDI

This document lists all the performance measures for OVC's TVS non-formula grant programs. This version is a fillable PDF for subgrantees.

TVS Victim Services Performance Measure Data Template Excel Sheet

This spreadsheet is a data-tracking tool for gathering individual-level data for the TVS Victim Services question bank.

Center for Victim Research: Victim Services Performance Measure Data Visualization Tool



Unallowable Use of Funds

The activities listed below are out of the program scope and will not be funded.

- 1. Any program or activity that, directly or indirectly, violates (or promotes or facilitates the violation of) federal immigration law (including 8 U.S.C. § 1373) or impedes or hinders the enforcement of federal immigration law—including by failing to comply with 8 U.S.C. § 1373, give access to DHS agents, or honor DHS requests and provide requested notice to DHS agents.
- 2. Any program or activity that violates any applicable Federal civil rights or nondiscrimination law. This includes violations that (1) indirectly violate the law, including by promoting or facilitating violations, or (2) unlawfully favor individuals in any race or protected group, including on a majority or minority, or privileged or unprivileged, basis, within a given area, population, or sector.

This is listed in the Program Description section of the NOFO.



Funding Instrument

Awards will be made as cooperative agreements:

- Substantial involvement between awarding agency and recipient during the performance period
- Awarding agency closely participates in the performance of the program

See the "Administrative, National Policy, and Other Legal Requirements" section of the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide for more information.



Application Content



Proposal Narrative Format

Your proposal narrative must –

- be double-spaced,
- use a standard 12-point font,
- have no less than 1-inch margins,
- NOT exceed 10 numbered pages, and
- be submitted as an attachment in JustGrants.



Proposal Narrative Sections

- 1. Description of the Need (20%)
- 2. Project Goals and Objectives (15%)
- 3. Project Design and Implementation (30%)
- 4. Capabilities and Competencies (20%)

*An additional 15% will be assessed through your budget and associated documentation.



Proposal Narrative: Description of the Need

What critical issue or problem is the applicant proposing to address with this project? Please include:

- A brief explanation of the need, gap, or issue to be addressed by the proposed project.
- Supporting information, data, or evidence to demonstrate the need's existence, size, and impact on the target population and community.
- How the need relates to the purpose of the NOFO.



Proposal Narrative: Project Goals and Objectives

How will the proposed project address the need identified and address the purpose of the NOFO? Please include:

- Project goals (goals are broad, visionary statements on what the applicant hopes to accomplish).
- Project objectives (objectives are specific outcomes the applicant plans to achieve through project activities).
- How the applicant's goals and objectives relate to the goals and objectives of the NOFO.



Proposal Narrative: Project Design and Implementation

How will the applicant implement project activities that meet the goals and objectives? Please include:

- What activities the applicant will conduct to achieve the proposed goals and objectives.
- How the applicant will deliver or complete those activities.
- When the activities will take place.
- Who in the applicant's organization will complete the activities, including key staff.
- Who will participate in, and benefit from, the activity.
- What deliverables, reports, and other items will be produced as part of the project.
- Information about subrecipients working on the project, if applicable.



Proposal Narrative: Capabilities and Competencies

What administrative and technical capacity and expertise does the applicant bring to successfully complete this project? Please include:

- A short description of the applicant's capacity to deliver the proposed project and meet the
 requirements of the award, including collecting and reporting the required performance
 measure data. Who will be responsible for this task, and how will the applicant collect the
 data?
- A description of projects or activities the applicant organization has conducted, or is currently conducting, that demonstrate the applicant's ability to undertake the proposed project activities.
- A summary of relevant experience of team members with key responsibilities for implementing the project.



Budget and Associated Documentation: Budget Detail Form

- You must use the JustGrants web-based budget detail form
- Your budget should include adequate funding to fully implement the project, broken out by year and reflect 36 months.
- The budget should be accurate and match the details in the Proposal Narrative, staying in line with the project plan.
- The budget cannot exceed the award ceiling for each category.
- Each cost item should include name/description and provide detailed calculation of the total cost.



Budget and Associated Documentation: Budget/Financial Attachments

If applicable, your application should also include:

- Indirect Cost Rate Agreement
- Consultant Rate
- Limitation on Use of Award Funds for Employee Compensation for awards Over \$250,000; Waiver



Applications Should Also Include

- ☐ Information to Complete the Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424) in Grants.gov
- □ Standard Application Information (SF-424 info from Grants.gov)
- ☐ Proposal Abstract
- ☐ Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (if applicable)
- Financial Management and System of Internal Controls Questionnaire
- ☐ Funding Priorities Inventory (if applicable)
- □ Tribal Authorizing Resolution (if applicable)

- Curriculum Vitae or Resumes of Key Staff
- □ Request and Justification for Employee
 Compensation; Waiver (if applicable)
- ☐ Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (SF-LLL)
- □ 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)



Responsiveness Review

To meet the basic minimum requirements to advance to peer review and receive consideration for funding your application MUST:

- Be from an eligible applicant.
- Not exceed the award ceiling.
- Be responsive to the NOFO scope.
- Include:
 - SF-424 (in Grants.gov)
 - Proposal Narrative (in JustGrants)
 - Budget detail form, including budget items, their calculations, and explanations (in JustGrants)



Remember, if you fail to submit <u>ANY</u> of required documents, your application <u>will not</u> be considered for funding!



Application Submission



Application Submission Overview



Before You Apply for Funding:

SAM.gov Registration - Entities must register or renew with SAM.gov

Apply for OVC Funding:

- Step 1: Grants.gov Apply in Grants.gov
- Step 2: JustGrants Apply in JustGrants



Application Submission Reminders





Applicants have **two** application submission deadlines:

- 1. Grants.gov (submitting the SF-424) August 15, 2025, 11:59 p.m. ET
- 2. JustGrants (submitting the full application) August 20, 2025, 8:59 p.m. ET



It's OK to enter programmatic data in Grants.gov and update later in JustGrants.



Your JustGrants submission should include all items defined in the NOFO.



What Happens After Application Submission?

After the JustGrants application deadline, OVC starts its review process:

- Basic Minimum Requirements
- Peer Review
- Programmatic and Financial Review
- Risk Review
- Award Decisions Made



Award Notices

- 1. Successful applicants: generally notified by September 30
 - Accept or decline award within 45 days
 - Follow steps in <u>DOJ Award Acceptance Checklist</u>

2. Unsuccessful applicants: notified by December 31

Visit the OJP Grants Award public website: ojp.gov/funding/ojpgrantawards



Application Resources

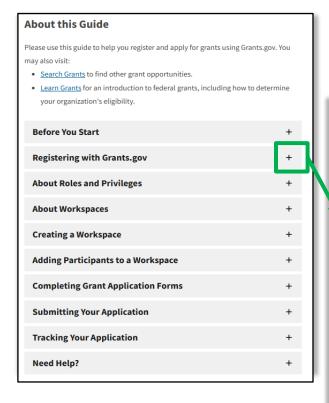


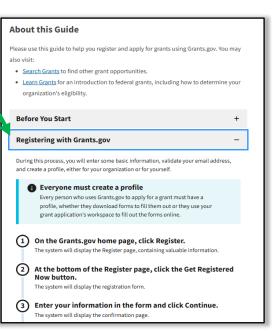
Grants.gov Quick Start Guide



FIND. APPLY. SUCCEED."

https://grants.gov/quick-start-guide/applicants





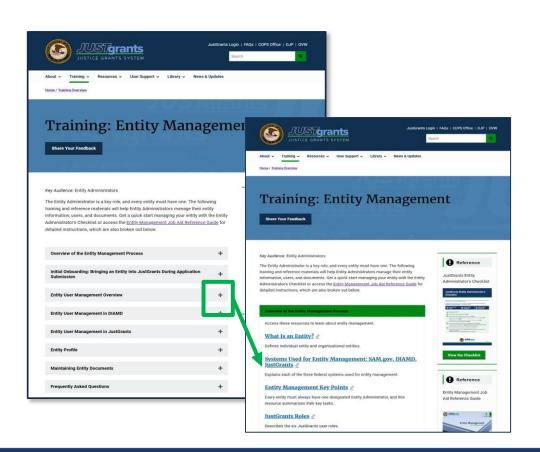


JustGrants Training Resources



https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov/training







Additional Resources



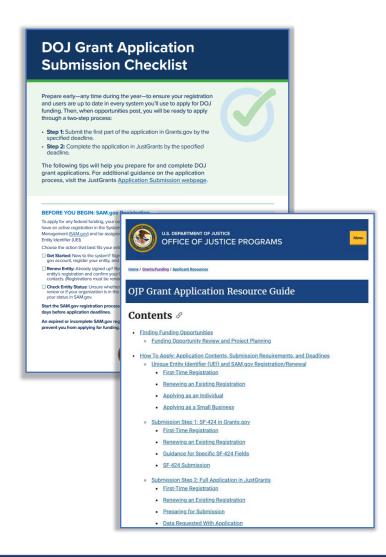
DOJ Grant Application Submission Checklist

https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov/training/checklist-application-submission



OJP Grant Application Resource Guide

https://www.ojp.gov/funding/apply/ojp-grant-application-resource-guide





Application Submission Training



Attend a Live Training Session

https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov/training/application-submission



Download the Training Slides

https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov/training/training-virtualsessions/application-submission-weekly-training-webinar.pdf



View the Recording

https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov/media/video/3016

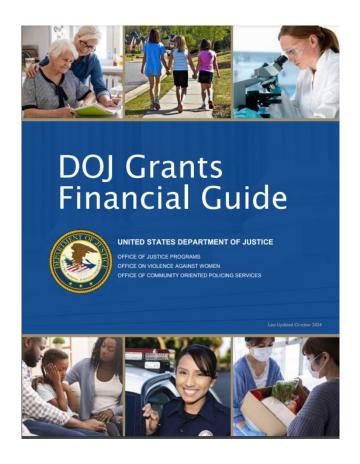
Weekly Training Webinars: Application Submission

Bookmark this page and check back regularly for session dates and registration links.

Session Topic	Application Mechanics: Submitting an Application	
Key Audiences	Entity Administrator, Application Submitter, Authorized Representative	
Description	Topics covered in this session include: Preparing to apply Completing required forms in Grants.gov Entity onboarding and JustGrants access JustGrants roles and responsibilities Assigning users to applications Completing, reviewing, certifying, and submitting a JustGrants application	
Live Training Sessions	Click the link to register for the session you wish to attend: July 23, 2025 # 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. ET July 30, 2025 # 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. ET August 13, 2025 # 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. ET August 13, 2025 # 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. ET August 20, 2025 # 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. ET August 27, 2025 # 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. ET	
Recorded Training Session	Download the Training Slides View the Recording	
Reference Materials	<u>Application Submission</u> <u>DOJ Application Submission Checklist</u>	



DOJ Grants Financial Guide



All recipients and subrecipients of DOJ grants and cooperative agreements should consult the DOJ Grants Financial Guide to ensure the effective day-to-day management of awards:

https://ojp.gov/financialguide/DOJ/index.htm.

TOP 10 TOPICS	
1. Financial Management Systems	6. Audit Requirements
2. Allowable Costs	7. Conference Costs
3. <u>Unallowable Costs</u>	8. Adjustments to Awards
4. Federal Financial Reports	9. Accounting by Approved Budget Category
5. <u>Performance Reports</u>	10. Subrecipient Monitoring



Information About OVC

https://ovc.ojp.gov





Important Contact Information



Assistance submitting the full application:

833-872-5175

JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov



Assistance with Programmatic Requirements or to report a technical issue that prevented submission:

800-851-3420 or 202-353-5556 (TTY for hearing-impaired callers only)

OJP.ResponseCenter@usdoj.gov



Important Contact Information



Assistance registering or renewing in SAM.gov:

866-606-8220

https://sam.gov/help



Assistance working in Grants.gov:

800-518-4726

support@grants.gov

https://www.grants.gov/support



Thank You!

