

NY Annual State Performance Report

Victim Assistance Formula Grant Program

Reporting Period: [Oct 1, 2018 to Sept 30, 2019]

This aggregated data is self-reported by the grantees and subgrantees in each state/territory.

OVC VOCA Assistance Funds				
	2016-VA-GX-0069	2017-VA-GX-0047	2018-V2-GX-0047	2019-V2-GX-0040
Federal Award Amount	\$133,904,016.00	\$110,391,054.00	\$199,383,453.00	\$132,000,250.00
Total Amount of Subawards	\$78,093,892.00	\$12,564,509.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Number of Subawards	401	93	0	0
Administrative Funds Amount	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Training Funds Amount	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Balance Remaining	\$55,810,124.00	\$97,826,545.00	\$199,383,453.00	\$132,000,250.00

Subgrantee Organization Type				
<small>The total number of subgrants represents all subgrants funded across all federal awards active during the reporting period. The number is not unique as there are subgrantee organizations that are continuously funded from each federal award.</small>				
Type of Organization	2016-VA-GX-0069	2017-VA-GX-0047	2018-V2-GX-0047	2019-V2-GX-0040
Government Agencies Only	50	8	0	0
Corrections	1	1	0	0
Courts	2	0	0	0
Juvenile Justice	4	0	0	0
Law Enforcement	8	0	0	0
Prosecutor	23	2	0	0
Other	12	5	0	0
Nonprofit Organization Only	348	84	0	0
Child Abuse Service organization (e.g., child advocacy center)	43	7	0	0
Coalition (e.g., state domestic violence or sexual assault coalition)	0	0	0	0
Domestic and Family Violence Organization	101	29	0	0
Faith-based Organization	0	0	0	0
Organization Provides Domestic and Family Violence and Sexual Assault Services	18	10	0	0
Organization by and/or for underserved victims of crime (e.g., drunk driving, homicide, elder abuse)	50	9	0	0

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Sexual Assault Services organization (e.g., rape crisis center)	28	10	0	0
Multiservice agency	102	18	0	0
Other	6	1	0	0
Federally Recognized Tribal Governments, Agencies, and Organizations Only	1	0	0	0
Child Abuse Service organization (e.g., child advocacy center)	0	0	0	0
Court	0	0	0	0
Domestic and Family Violence organization	1	0	0	0
Faith-based organization	0	0	0	0
Juvenile justice	0	0	0	0
Law Enforcement	0	0	0	0
Organization provides domestic and family violence and sexual assault services	0	0	0	0
Prosecutor	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault Services organization (e.g., rape crisis center)	0	0	0	0
Other justice-based agency	0	0	0	0
Other agency that is NOT justice-based (e.g., human services, health, education)	0	0	0	0
Organization by and/or for a specific traditionally underserved community	0	0	0	0
Organization by and/or for underserved victims of crime (e.g., drunk driving, homicide, elder abuse)	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0
Campus Organizations Only	2	1	0	0
Campus-based victims services	1	0	0	0
Law enforcement	0	0	0	0
Physical or mental health service program	0	0	0	0
Other	1	1	0	0
Total Number of Subawards	401	93	0	0

*This number is not unique across fiscal years as there are subgrantee organizations that are funded from multiple federal awards.

Subaward Purpose				
A single SAR can select multiple purposes. Numbers are not unique				
	2016-VA-GX-0069	2017-VA-GX-0047	2018-V2-GX-0047	2019-V2-GX-0040

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A. Continue a VOCA-funded victim project funded in a previous year	246	90	0	0
B. Expand or enhance an existing project not funded by VOCA in the previous year	2	1	0	0
C. Start up a new victim services project	154	2	0	0
D. Start up a new Native American victim services project	0	0	0	0
E. Expand or enhance an existing Native American project	0	0	0	0

VOCA and Match Funds				
A single SAR can select multiple service types. Numbers are not unique				
	2016-VA-GX-0069	2017-VA-GX-0047	2018-V2-GX-0047	2019-V2-GX-0040
A.INFORMATION & REFERRAL	401	92	0	0
B.PERSONAL ADVOCACY/ACCOMPANIMENT	401	92	0	0
C.EMOTIONAL SUPPORT OR SAFETY SERVICES	401	92	0	0
D.SHELTER/HOUSING SERVICES	400	90	0	0
E.CRIMINAL/CIVIL JUSTICE SYSTEM ASSISTANCE	401	92	0	0
F. ASSISTANCE IN FILING COMPENSATION CLAIMS	401	92	0	0

Priority and Underserved Requirements				
Priority Area	2016-VA-GX-0069	2017-VA-GX-0047	2018-V2-GX-0047	2019-V2-GX-0040
Child Abuse				
Total Amount	\$9,780,173.00	\$1,342,207.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	7.00 %	1.00 %		
Domestic and Family Violence				
Total Amount	\$28,123,273.00	\$2,405,176.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	21.00 %	2.00 %		
Sexual Assault				
Total Amount	\$10,354,565.00	\$2,705,085.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	8.00 %	2.00 %		
Underserved				
Total Amount	\$29,488,801.00	\$5,977,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	22.00 %	5.00 %		

Budget and Staffing				
Staffing Information	2016-VA-GX-0069	2017-VA-GX-0047	2018-V2-GX-0047	2019-V2-GX-0040

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Total number of paid staff for all subgrantee victimization program and/or services	2596	168		
Number of staff hours funded through this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	3972652	295046		
Total number of volunteer staff supporting the work of this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	6667	3376		
Number of volunteer hours supporting the work of this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	520172	26342		

AGGREGATED SUBGRANTEE PERFORMANCE MEASURE DATA

Victimization Type						
Victimization Type	Number of Subgrantees Indicating Intent to Serve This Victim Type	Number of Individuals Who Actually Received Services Based on a Presenting Victimization				
		Quarter 1 Total	Quarter 2 Total	Quarter 3 Total	Quarter 4 Total	Per Quarter Average
Adult Physical Assault (includes Aggravated and Simple Assault)	491	17826	18881	17109	17801	17904
Adult Sexual Assault	491	7500	8544	8161	8711	8229
Adults Sexually Abused/Assaulted as Children	491	2119	2263	2186	2007	2143
Arson	491	163	174	143	133	153
Bullying (Verbal, Cyber or Physical)	490	1268	1776	1922	1540	1626
Burglary	491	5686	5949	4722	4737	5273
Child Physical Abuse or Neglect	491	9210	9989	9616	10495	9827
Child Pornography	491	327	337	266	260	297
Child Sexual Abuse/Assault	491	15653	17460	17984	16979	17019
Domestic and/or Family Violence	491	43737	49103	56399	56052	51322
DUI/DWI Incidents	491	6336	6618	4964	5226	5786
Elder Abuse or Neglect	491	1370	1220	1317	1275	1295
Hate Crime: Racial/Religious/Gender/ Sexual Orientation/Other (Explanation Required)	491	128	125	114	108	118
Human Trafficking: Labor	491	119	126	175	148	142
Human Trafficking: Sex	491	506	563	619	628	579
Identity Theft/Fraud/Financial Crime	491	1817	2035	2250	2338	2110

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Kidnapping (non-custodial)	491	101	102	79	113	98
Kidnapping (custodial)	491	166	138	122	128	138
Mass Violence (Domestic/International)	491	31	22	35	22	27
Other Vehicular Victimization (e.g., Hit and Run)	491	1256	1162	1104	1083	1151
Robbery	491	3761	3744	3076	3172	3438
Stalking/Harassment	491	7168	7775	8231	8268	7860
Survivors of Homicide Victims	490	2075	2174	1816	1890	1988
Teen Dating Victimization	490	258	298	322	365	310
Terrorism (Domestic/International)	490	188	165	127	134	153
Other	480	19922	22300	19725	20329	20569

Special Classifications of Individuals

Special Classifications of Individuals	Number of Individuals Self Reporting a Special Classification				
	Quarter 1 Total	Quarter 2 Total	Quarter 3 Total	Quarter 4 Total	Per Quarter Average
Deaf/Hard of Hearing	337	250	291	339	1228
Homeless	2054	2290	2502	4119	8007
Immigrants/Refugees/Asylum Seekers	3841	4493	4887	4575	16120
LGBTQ	1600	1891	2078	2322	6250
Veterans	222	244	356	364	792
Victims with Disabilities: Cognitive/Physical /Mental	5692	5966	6426	6287	22996
Victims with Limited English Proficiency	6288	6530	6856	6814	24414
Other	2183	914	1376	1340	4833

General Award Information

Activities Conducted at the Subgrantee Level	Number	Percent
Total number of individuals who received services during the Fiscal Year.	535443	
Total number of anonymous contacts who received services during the Fiscal Year	23560	
Number of new individuals who received services from your state for the first time during the Fiscal Year.	423538	79.10 %
Of the clients who received services, how many presented with more than one type of victimization during the Fiscal Year?	66580	12.43 %
Number of individuals assisted with a victim compensation application during the Fiscal Year.	82384	

Demographics

Demographic Characteristic of New Individuals Served	Number	Percent
Race/Ethnicity		
American Indian or Alaska Native	1030	0.24 %

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Asian	7403	1.75 %
Black or African American	48860	11.54 %
Hispanic or Latino	41369	9.77 %
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	473	0.11 %
White Non-Latino or Caucasian	80005	18.89 %
Some Other Race	5076	1.20 %
Multiple Races	7024	1.66 %
Not Reported	30400	7.18 %
Not Tracked	201898	47.67 %
Race/Ethnicity Total		423538
Gender Identity		
Male	54795	12.94 %
Female	160336	37.86 %
Other	1018	0.24 %
Not Reported	10808	2.55 %
Not Tracked	196581	46.41 %
Gender Total		423538
Age		
Age 0- 12	35621	8.41 %
Age 13- 17	15890	3.75 %
Age 18- 24	23810	5.62 %
Age 25- 59	107418	25.36 %
Age 60 and Older	15078	3.56 %
Not Reported	26522	6.26 %
Not Tracked	199199	47.03 %
Age Total		423538

Direct Services				
Service Area	# of Subgrantees That Provided Services in This Category	# of Individuals/Contacts Receiving Services	Specific Service	Frequency of Service
A. Information & Referral	389	425481	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			A1. Information about the criminal justice process	357528
			A2. Information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.	1081994
			A3. Referral to other victim service programs	96123

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			A4. Referral to other services, supports, and resources (includes legal, medical, faith-based organizations, address confidentiality programs, etc.)	135263
B. Personal Advocacy/ Accompaniment	376	111798	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			B1. Victim advocacy/accompaniment to emergency medical care	7307
			B2. Victim advocacy/accompaniment to medical forensic exam	6421
			B3. Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment	16502
			B4. Individual advocacy (e.g., assistance in applying for public benefits, return of personal property or effects)	218032
			B5. Performance of medical or nonmedical forensic exam or interview or medical evidence collection	3547
			B6. Immigration assistance (e.g., special visas, continued presence application, and other immigration relief)	3611
			B7. Intervention with employer, creditor, landlord, or academic institution	14083
			B8. Child or dependent care assistance (includes coordination of services)	10963
			B9. Transportation assistance (includes coordination of services)	71262
			B10. Interpreter services	14857
C. Emotional Support or Safety Services	346	202747	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			C1. Crisis intervention (in-person, includes safety planning, etc.)	123878
			C2. Hotline/crisis line counseling	309578
			C3. On-scene crisis response (e.g., community crisis response)	2880
			C4. Individual counseling	259625
			C5. Support groups (facilitated or peer)	23249
			C6. Other Therapy (traditional, cultural, or alternative healing; art, writing, or play therapy, etc.)	61846
			C7. Emergency financial assistance	47945
D. Shelter/ Housing Services	113	8520	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			D1. Emergency shelter or safe house	173488
			D2. Transitional housing	31636

			D3. Relocation assistance (includes assistance with obtaining housing)	6029
E. Criminal/ Civil Justice System Assistance	336	305004	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			E1. Notification of criminal justice events	46505978
			E2. Victim impact statement assistance	5177
			E3. Assistance with restitution	7341
			E4. Civil legal assistance in obtaining protection or restraining order	17105
			E5. Civil legal assistance with family law issues	39500
			E6. Other emergency justice-related assistance	7025
			E7. Immigration assistance	12081
			E8. Prosecution interview advocacy/accompaniment	27145
			E9. Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment	20176
			E10. Criminal advocacy/accompaniment	171938
E11. Other legal advice and/or counsel	19679			

ANNUAL QUESTIONS

Grantee Annually Reported Questions

Question/Option	Count
Were any administrative and training funds used during the reporting period?	
Yes	1
No	0
Did the administrative funds support any education activities during the reporting period?	
Yes	0
No	1
Number of requests received for education activities during the reporting period.	0
Number of people trained or attending education events during the reporting period.	0
Number of events conducted during the reporting period.	0
Did the grant support any coordination activities (e.g., with other service providers, law enforcement agencies) during the reporting period?	
Yes	1
No	0
Describe any program or educational materials developed during the reporting period.	
N/A	

Describe any planning or training events held during the reporting period.

N/A

Describe any program policies changed during the reporting period.

As in the previous year, OVS continued with recently adopted policy changes related to the activities that we fund with our VOCA funds. These include allowing sub-grantees to fund case manager services; to fund attorney services for programs who are in need of legal services to assist with the comprehensive, victim centered work and to partner with programs to improve and expand services for vulnerable adults at risk of abuse, neglect or financial exploitation.

Describe any earned media coverage events/episodes during the reporting period.

On October 10, 2018 Governor Cuomo announced that 61 state funded victim assistance programs will receive approximately \$16 million over 5 years to hire attorneys who will assist crime victims with civil legal matters, such as divorce, custody, immigration and financial issues. Administered by the state Office of Victim Services, the federally funded grants will allow these programs to provide free legal help to the victims they serve. On January 1, 2019 OVS funded a pilot TeleSAFE program to enable more timely care for patients at rural and underserved hospitals. Through the TeleSAFE program, emergency department (ED) providers at these hospitals will now have the ability to contact virtual ER SAFE-certified providers at any time through a secure video connection. These SAFE-certified providers will then guide ED staff through the process of the medical and forensic exams. The TeleSAFE pilot allows 46 hospitals in the Capital Region and Central New York without SAFE certification to access SAFE-certified providers 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Hospitals eligible for the program may participate and offer this service for no cost. On March 25, 2019, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo announced that the state's domestic and sexual violence hotline is now available to incarcerated individuals throughout the state prison system, providing crisis counseling, as well as access to support, additional counseling and advocacy for individuals who are victims of sexual assault or harassment. With this implementation, New York has the most comprehensive victim support program available to survivors of sexual victimization in any state prison system in the nation. The 777 direct-dial number is available every day, in English, Spanish and other languages, at all 54 facilities operated by the state Department of Corrections and Community Supervision (DOCCS). Under the federal Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA), states are required to provide certain services for incarcerated victims of sex crimes. New York State's prison system is only the seventh in the nation to offer a statewide rape crisis hotline and the only one to partner with community-based rape crisis and sexual assault programs to ensure that individuals receive the support and services they need to help them recover. This expansion is the result of more than \$2.5 million in federal and state funding administered by the state Office of Victim Services (OVS). In April 2019, the New York State Office of Victim Services (OVS) announced a new series of trainings designed for advocates and other professionals who assist individuals and their families with obtaining services, support and financial assistance in the aftermath of a crime. The 11 videos outline assistance available from OVS and offer detailed instructions for filing claims so eligible individuals can receive help with crime-related expenses, including medical, counseling and moving bills, and funeral and burial costs, among other assistance. The OVS released the videos to nearly 230 victim assistance programs that it funds as the state joins the nation in recognizing National Crime Victims Rights Week (April 7 – 13, 2019). In June 2019 the New York State Office of Victim Services (OVS) announced that an online resource connecting crime victims with information and free legal assistance is available in Capital Region, Mid-Hudson, Mohawk Valley and North Country counties, allowing victims to learn about their rights and connect with resources or legal representation to ensure their interests are represented. Established using \$1.5 million in federal funds secured by OVS, New York Crime Victims Legal Help initially served Erie, Genesee and Niagara counties and is now available in 23 additional counties in the state. Many victims of crime have legal needs resulting from their victimization – assistance with housing or custody matters, for example – but are unsure where to turn for help. This user-friendly, online resource makes it easier for those individuals to get the assistance they need. The New York State Office of Victim Services (OVS) entered into an agreement with the New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) to provide funding for 7 mobile Child Advocacy Center (CAC) units that aim to better serve children and families who live in rural communities and counties that cover a large geographic area. The units are CACs on wheels, meeting children where they are and eliminating the need for families to travel long distances to get help and connect to resources. This \$4.45 million investment by the state will improve services for children who are victims of physical or sexual abuse. Child advocacy centers bring child protective services, law enforcement, medical providers, advocacy and therapeutic resources together when allegations of child abuse or maltreatment are made in an effort to make the investigation process less traumatic for children.

Describe any coordinated responses/services for assisting crime victims during the reporting period.

In the aftermath of last July's mass shooting that occurred in Brooklyn's Brownsville neighborhood, the NYS Office of Victim Services (OVS) worked with OVS-funded service providers to help individuals affected by the incident file claims for compensation for medical bills and other expenses and also provide direct services, such as crisis intervention and counseling. OVS sought to reach individuals who were injured during the mass shooting that occurred late Saturday, July 27, 2019, in Brooklyn's Brownsville neighborhood. One person was killed and 11 were wounded during the annual Brownsville Old Timers Day block party.

Please discuss the major issues in your state that either assist or prevent victims from receiving assistance during the reporting period.

Programs continue to provide information on compensation benefits during their intake process but some have related that victims are too overwhelmed at this point to consider filing the additional paperwork required to initiate a claim, especially if they do not have any immediate out-of-pocket expenses to be considered. OVS has an on-line Victim Services Portal which allows more immediate submission of applications and removes this deterrent for certain victims, however programs do not always reintroduce the compensation option at a later time in their relationship with the victim when there may be newly incurred expenses. OVS funded Victim Assistance Programs continue to tell us that undocumented immigrants are hesitant to report crimes to police, to participate in the criminal justice process or seek crime victim services as they are fearful of being deported. OVS continues to provide training and guidance to help clarify claims opportunities when these issues are identified during site visits and program contacts. OVS continues to provide monthly victim assistance program training for any program who wants to attend and also has started to bring staff from the compensation division along on program site visits so that they can be available to answer any program questions as well.

Please describe ways that your agency promoted the coordination of public and private efforts within the community to help crime victims during the reporting period.

Programs participate in local coalitions, multidisciplinary teams, and taskforces to coordinate services for various victim populations. These meetings incorporate input and service strategies from multiple public and private entities such as local victim assistance agencies, law enforcement, and health and human service programs. They also attend regional Coalition meetings to discuss service approaches with their local contemporaries, receive direct service training, and development. A concerted outreach effort to ensure that those most in need of our services was made so that victims are aware that services are available to them. In addition, OVS also holds our own Advisory Council meetings with our VAPs where issues and concerns are discussed together to work towards solutions to help victims. OVS has also partnered with several other state agencies to provide funding for direct services to victims of crime.

Please describe any notable activities at the grantee level during the reporting period that improved delivery of victim services.

OVS released a competitive grant procurement that resulted in OVS providing funding to 228 victim assistance programs starting October 1, 2019. Previous contracts had terms that ended on 9/30/19 and OVS worked hard to ensure that via this competitive procurement that victim assistance programs had new contracts in place so that victim services would continue to be provided statewide. Through this procurement more than \$281 million in funding was provided to fund three-year contracts that run from October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2022.

Please discuss each priority (i.e., child abuse, domestic assault, sexual assault, and underserved) in which VOCA funds have been used to assist crime victims during the reporting period

Human trafficking (HT) victims continue to experience a lack of adequate shelter after reporting the crime. Victims of HT cannot find shelter which supports their language and cultural needs which can lead to victims returning to their traffickers. OVS has provided funding to programs to increase their capacity to provide services to HT victims and continues to explore ways to address this issue in New York State. Transportation is an issue in many upstate, rural communities, several regions of the state do not have child advocacy centers where VOCA funded projects provide services to child victims and often need to coordinate transportation to CACs for medical or forensic examinations. OVS has worked with several CACs to open satellite offices in communities that do not have access to these services. Additionally, OVS has partnered with the NYS Office of Children and Family Services to fund a project for mobile CAC units, these units will be able to travel to different rural locations where victims have difficulty getting services. Sexual assault is a high priority issue in New York. To ensure that services are available to all sexual assault victims, The Governor's Office has initiated several projects in addition to the VOCA funded sexual assault projects. Campus sexual assault is being addressed by all state agencies that fund rape crisis programs and OVS has partnered with the State University of New York on a project that will provide victims of sexual assault with comfort bags containing items that can be of use in the situation that they have been through. Domestic and interpersonal violence remains a significant issue in New York. Victims of domestic violence receive shelter and support services by VOCA funded projects. Victims often remain in the system for an extended period of time because they have limited resources to move forward. Many victims are under employed or unemployed, have no housing options after shelter, need child care and transportation. There are few transitional housing projects to assist victims in making the transition from victim to survivor and OVS is working to increase the number of these projects.

Please briefly describe efforts taken to serve Victims of Federal crime during the reporting period.

OVS continues to participate in the Governor's Interagency Human Trafficking Task Force. We have conducted training for several sub-grantees on Human Trafficking and representatives from the U.S. Attorney's Office are interested in partnering with OVS at future training events. However, the majority of VAPs deal primarily with local law enforcement on cases and report not being exposed to federal crimes. VAPs have expressed both a willingness to assist victims of such incidents and establish relationships with federal law enforcement and victim service agencies to facilitate services should the need arise.

Please identify any emerging issues or notable trends affecting crime victim services in your state during the reporting period.

The top issues continue to be mental health, lack of housing, lack of civil legal representation, underserved populations such as elder abuse, Native Americans, LGBTQIA and young men of color. Programs report that the continued increase in victims with mental health issues and illegal drug use in their areas causes a ripple effect of crimes such as assaults, robberies, and burglaries. Resources to deal with mental health and addiction issues are similarly impacted by financial constraints. Programs report a need for additional shelter space as well as the need for more transitional housing opportunities for victims. Affordable housing remains a significant issue with limited resources available for victims to secure housing by assisting with rent, security deposits and utility connection costs. With the increase in mass casualty events, OVS continues to meet with local communities as well as the FBI in an effort to be proactive in how to plan for the next event.

Please briefly outline any staffing retention issues that your victim assistance program has and why these issues may occur during the reporting period.

Programs continue to report high turnover due to low salary and emotional burn out. While some programs have used the additional funding that they have received to provide overdue raises to current staff and to recruit new positions at a higher rate, it still remains an issue. Programs have also implemented staff appreciation programs to help retain experienced staff.

Please explain your state process to publicize its victim assistance funding for services to victims of crime during the reporting period.

OVS released a competitive request for applications for our victim assistance programs during the reporting period that resulted in OVS awarding 228 contracts that have a term of 10/1/19-9/30/22 with an optional 2-year renewal period. The awards made from this procurement totaled over \$281M. All NYS agencies are required to publicize competitive grants opportunities on the state's Grants Gateway System as well as advertise opportunities in the NYS Contract Reporter.

Please explain how your state is able to direct funding to new/underserved populations during the reporting period.

OVS is able to direct funding to new/underserved populations through discretionary awards; by amending our existing contracts to provide additional funding and services; through a new competitive or non-competitive bid; or through a single/sole source contract. OVS can also enter into emergency contracts, when justified, allowing us the flexibility to provide direct funding when a need is identified.

Please explain how your program is able to respond to gaps in services during the reporting period.

When service gaps are identified, OVS canvasses programs currently providing victim services in the needed area to see if they are interested in providing the additional needed services. For example, if the only agency providing particular services in a particular county announced they were shutting down their program, we would reach out to programs in neighboring counties with the expertise and experience to provide those services and work to locate one interested in expanding their current contract to include those services for that county. As an example, by working with the regional coalition where a program that did not receive an award during our recent competitive procurement was located. To avoid a gap in services to victims, OVS was able to connect all of the programs in the area that could provide services to the clients of the previously OVS funded program.

Please list and explain any outcome measure(s) that are reported to the governor, legislature, or other state entity during the reporting period.

OVS is required by law to submit a written report to the governor and to the NYS legislature on our agency activities including, but not limited to, specific information regarding crime victim service programs funded by OVS; other sources of funding for crime victims service programs; and an assessment of the adequacy of the current level of funding to meet the reasonable needs of the crime victims service program. The Annual Report for the most recently completed, state fiscal year will be published shortly