PR Annual State Performance Report

Victim Assistance Formula Grant Program

Reporting Period: [Oct 1, 2021 to Sept 30, 2022]

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

OVC VOCA Assistance Funds					
	2018-V2-GX-0060	2019-V2-GX-0022	2020-V2-GX-0035	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00595-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00798-ASSI
Federal Award Amount	\$34,084,036.00	\$22,669,661.00	\$16,524,540.00	\$10,213,676.00	\$13,684,986.00
Total Amount of Subawards	\$32,478,209.00	\$22,011,350.00	\$14,006,987.00	\$3,226,882.00	\$0.00
Total Number of Subawards	193	100	74	20	0
Administrative Funds Amount	\$1,363,361.00	\$80,000.00	\$660,982.00	\$408,547.00	\$547,400.00
Training Funds Amount	\$12,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$102,136.00	\$136,849.00
Balance Remaining	\$230,466.00	\$570,311.00	\$1,844,571.00	\$6,476,111.00	\$13,000,737.00

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Type of Organization	2018-V2-GX-0060	2019-V2-GX-0022	2020-V2-GX-0035	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00595-ASSI	
Government Agencies Only	39	26	16	6	
Corrections	1	1	1	0	(
Courts	3	0	0	0	(
Juvenile Justice	0	0	0	0	
Law Enforcement	4	1	0	0	
Prosecutor	1	1	0	0	
Other	30	23	15	6	
Nonprofit Organization Only	151	72	56	14	
Child Abuse Service organization (e.g., child advocacy center)	50	19	20	4	
Coalition (e.g., state domestic violence or sexual assault coalition)	0	0	0	0	
Domestic and Family Violence Organization	52	26	18	4	
Faith-based Organization	17	8	6	3	
Organization Provides Domestic and Family Violence and Sexual Assault Services	6	4	2	0	
Organization by and/or for underserved victims of crime (e.g., drunk driving, homicide, elder abuse)	10	6	4	1	
Sexual Assault Services organization (e.g., rape crisis center)	0	0	0	0	
Multiservice agency	15	9	6	2	
Other	1	0	0	0	
Federally Recognized Tribal Governments, Agencies, and Organizations Only	2	2	1	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	1	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	1	1	1	0	
Prosecutor	0	0	0	0	
Sexual Assault Services organization (e.g., rape crisis center)	0	0	0	0	

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Other justice-based agency	0	0	0	0	0
Other agency that is NOT justice-based (e.g., human services, health, education)	0	0	0	0	0
Organization by and/or for a specific traditionally underserved community	0	0	0	0	0
Organization by and/or for underserved victims of crime (e.g., drunk driving, homicide, elder abuse)	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0
Campus Organizations Only	1	0	1	0	0
Campus-based victims services	1	0	1	0	0
Law enforcement	0	0	0	0	0
Physical or mental health service program	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0
Total Number of Subawards	193	100	74	20	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								
	2018-V2-GX-0060	2019-V2-GX-0022	2020-V2-GX-0035	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00595-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00798-ASSI			
A. Continue a VOCA-funded victim project funded in a previous year	173	95	74	19	0			
B. Expand or enhance an existing project not funded by VOCA in the previous year	6	1	1	1	0			
C. Start up a new victim services project	16	5	0	0	0			
D. Start up a new Native American victim services project	0	0	0	0	0			
E. Expand or enhance an existing Native American project	0	0	0	0	0			

VOCA and Match Funds A single SAR can select multiple service types. Numbers are not unique								
	2018-V2-GX-0060	2019-V2-GX-0022	2020-V2-GX-0035	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00595-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00798-ASSI			
A.INFORMATION & REFERRAL	158	82	56	14	0			
B.PERSONAL ADVOCACY/ACCOMPANIMENT	131	69	47	12	0			
C.EMOTIONAL SUPPORT OR SAFETY SERVICES	170	91	62	16	0			
D.SHELTER/HOUSING SERVICES	96	49	33	10	0			
E.CRIMINAL/CIVIL JUSTICE SYSTEM ASSISTANCE	94	52	33	6	0			
F. ASSISTANCE IN FILING COMPENSATION CLAIMS	193	100	74	20	0			

Priority and Underserved Re	equirements				
Priority Area	2018-V2-GX-0060	2019-V2-GX-0022	2020-V2-GX-0035	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00595-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00798-ASSI
Child Abuse					
Total Amount	\$10,990,977.00	\$6,110,038.00	\$5,589,546.00	\$1,826,631.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	32.00 %	27.00 %	34.00 %	18.00 %	
Domestic and Family Violence	ce				
Total Amount	\$11,832,640.00	\$9,679,461.00	\$5,970,050.00	\$733,787.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	35.00 %	43.00 %	36.00 %	7.00 %	
Sexual Assault					
Total Amount	\$2,720,130.00	\$1,898,064.00	\$735,851.00	\$143,249.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	8.00 %	8.00 %	4.00 %	1.00 %	
Underserved					
Total Amount	\$6,717,590.00	\$4,183,983.00	\$1,711,540.00	\$523,215.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	20.00 %	18.00 %	10.00 %	5.00 %	

Budget and Staffing					
Staffing Information	2018-V2-GX-0060	2019-V2-GX-0022	2020-V2-GX-0035	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00595-ASSI	2022-15POVC-22-GG-00798-ASSI

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Total number of paid staff for all subgrantee victimization program and/or services	244307	552544	606	253	
Number of staff hours funded through this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	2992490	1166086	643334	95397	
Total number of volunteer staff supporting the work of this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	2257	6033	754	42	
Number of volunteer hours supporting the work of this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	904050	385006	210279	15133	

AGGREGATED SUBGRANTEE PERFORMANCE MEASURE DATA

Victimization Type							
	Number of Subgrantees Indicating Intent	Number of Individuals Who Actually Received Services Based on a Presenting Victimization					
Victimization Type	to Serve This Victim Type	Quarter 1 Total	Quarter 2 Total	Quarter 3 Total		Per Quarter Average	
Adult Physical Assault (includes Aggravated and Simple Assault)	50	364	493	501	436	448	
Adult Sexual Assault	71	297	214	220	259	247	
Adults Sexually Abused/Assaulted as Children	58	314	388	398	660	440	
Arson	18	10	12	14	12	12	
Bullying (Verbal, Cyber or Physical)	64	317	388	372	348	356	
Burglary	24	132	69	120	100	105	
Child Physical Abuse or Neglect	108	932	1034	912	798	919	
Child Pornography	39	35	62	84	118	74	
Child Sexual Abuse/Assault	77	774	1038	956	815	895	
Domestic and/or Family Violence	130	11330	11370	11631	10703	11258	
DUI/DWI Incidents	16	24	41	57	46	42	
Elder Abuse or Neglect	58	887	930	797	610	806	
Hate Crime: Racial/Religious/Gender/ Sexual Orientation/Other (Explanation Required)	24	6	0	0	0	1	
Human Trafficking: Labor	33	0	5	0	3	2	
Human Trafficking: Sex	33	0	1	0	1	0	
Identity Theft/Fraud/Financial Crime	21	253	323	167	86	207	
Kidnapping (non-custodial)	20	18	32	26	14	22	
Kidnapping (custodial)	14	3	1	5	0	2	
Mass Violence (Domestic/International)	22	0	6	3	0	2	
Other Vehicular Victimization (e.g., Hit and Run)	27	109	135	101	126	117	
Robbery	38	250	288	216	181	233	
Stalking/Harassment	35	372	441	398	429	410	
Survivors of Homicide Victims	38	458	428	428	399	428	
Teen Dating Victimization	23	16	11	8	16	12	
Terrorism (Domestic/International)	17	1	0	0	0	0	
Other	18	3544	5854	5660	6442	5375	

Special Classifications of Individuals								
Special Classifications of Individuals		Number of Individuals Self Reporting a Special Classification						
Special Classifications of Individuals	Quarter 1 Total	Quarter 2 Total	Quarter 3 Total	Quarter 4 Total	Per Quarter Average			
Deaf/Hard of Hearing	32	27	34	29	226			
Homeless	285	265	297	229	2850			
Immigrants/Refugees/Asylum Seekers	335	95	276	303	1274			
LGBTQ	78	262	99	85	702			
Veterans	20	22	29	15	134			
Victims with Disabilities: Cognitive/ Physical /Mental	981	707	648	538	6382			
Victims with Limited English Proficiency	1180	1569	1641	2360	12395			

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Other 93 715 189 78 2070

General Award Information		
Activities Conducted at the Subgrantee Level	Number	Percent
Total number of individuals who received services during the Fiscal Year.	83838	
Total number of anonymous contacts who received services during the Fiscal Year	2373	
Number of new individuals who received services from your state for the first time during the Fiscal Year.	47034	56.10 %
Of the clients who received services, how many presented with more than one type of victimization during the Fiscal Year?	10331	12.32 %
Number of individuals assisted with a victim compensation application during the Fiscal Year.	4689	

Demographics		
Demographic Characteristic of New Individuals Served	Number	Percent
Race/Ethinicity		
American Indian or Alaska Native	34	0.07 %
Asian	4	0.01 %
Black or African American	78	0.17 %
Hispanic or Latino	32409	68.91 %
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	3	0.01 %
White Non-Latino or Caucasian	132	0.28 %
Some Other Race	18	0.04 %
Multiple Races	34	0.07 %
Not Reported	12272	26.09 %
Not Tracked	2050	4.36 %
Race/Ethnicity Total	47034	
Gender Identity		
Male	9208	19.58 %
Female	27897	59.31 %
Other	25	0.05 %
Not Reported	6644	14.13 %
Not Tracked	3260	6.93 %
Gender Total	47034	
Age		
Age 0- 12	2893	6.15 %
Age 13- 17	1596	3.39 %
Age 18- 24	4127	8.77 %
Age 25- 59	18220	38.74 %
Age 60 and Older	5204	11.06 %
Not Reported	8546	18.17 %
Not Tracked	6448	13.71 %
Age Total	47034	

Direct Services							
# of Subgrantees That Provided Services in This Category	# of Individuals/Contacts Receiving Services	Specific Service	Frequency of Service				
69	48762	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0				
		A1. Information about the criminal justice process	21554				
		A2. Information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.	26381				
		A3. Referral to other victim service programs	5208				
		A4. Referral to other services, supports, and resources (includes legal, medical, faith-based organizations, address confidentiality programs, etc.)	17287				
		Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0				
		B1. Victim advocacy/accompaniment to emergency medical care	755				
		B2. Victim advocacy/accompaniment to medical forensic exam	146				
		B3. Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment	3357				
		B4. Individual advocacy (e.g., assistance in applying for public benefits, return of personal property or effects)	1640				
	Provided Services in This Category	Provided Services in This Category # of Individuals/Contacts Receiving Services	Provided Services in This Category Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory. A1. Information about the criminal justice process A2. Information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc. A3. Referral to other victim service programs A4. Referral to other services, supports, and resources (includes legal, medical, faith-based organizations, address confidentiality programs, etc.) Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory. B1. Victim advocacy/accompaniment to emergency medical care B2. Victim advocacy/accompaniment to medical forensic exam B3. Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment B4. Individual advocacy (e.g., assistance in applying for public				

B. Personal Advocacy/ Accompaniment	60	6139	B5. Performance of medical or nonmedical forensic exam or interview or medical evidence collection	616
			B6. Immigration assistance (e.g., special visas, continued presence application, and other immigration relief)	178
			B7. Intervention with employer, creditor, landlord, or academic institution	590
			B8. Child or dependent care assistance (includes coordination of services)	30996
			B9. Transportation assistance (includes coordination of services)	6322
			B10. Interpreter services	139
			Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			C1. Crisis intervention (in-person, includes safety planning, etc.)	14852
			C2. Hotline/crisis line counseling	7535
C. Emotional Support or			C3. On-scene crisis response (e.g., community crisis response)	780
Safety Services	94	30707	C4. Individual counseling	57966
			C5. Support groups (facilitated or peer)	4956
			C6. Other Therapy (traditional, cultural, or alternative healing; art, writing, or play therapy, etc.)	26790
			C7. Emergency financial assistance	2521
D. Shelter/ Housing Services	47	2497	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			D1. Emergency shelter or safe house	16389
	4/		D2. Transitional housing	5437
			D3. Relocation assistance (includes assistance with obtaining housing)	548
		0 26099	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			E1. Notification of criminal justice events	12869
E. Criminal/ Civil Justice System Assistance 50			E2. Victim impact statement assistance	920
			E3. Assistance with restitution	359
			E4. Civil legal assistance in obtaining protection or restraining order	6591
	50		E5. Civil legal assistance with family law issues	4351
	30		E6. Other emergency justice-related assistance	1000
			E7. Immigration assistance	434
			E8. Prosecution interview advocacy/accompaniment	1597
			E9. Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment	1083
			E10. Criminal advocacy/accompaniment	4614
			E11. Other legal advice and/or counsel	6310

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	0				
No	1				

Describe any program or educational materials developed during the reporting period.

During the reporting period a educational material was purchased from Management Concepts for the class of Governmental Financial Management and Control and a binder was provided as part of the class that provides all information given in the class.

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

During the reporting period virtual meetings were conducted with the OVC team for the help and structure of the division to provide better services and become a more efficient department to pride the services needed for the Victims of Crime in Puerto Rico.

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Describe any program policies changed during the reporting period.

At this moment, no policies changes during the reporting period.

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

Media coverage events were received during the reporting period when the Puerto Rico population was notified by the continued and stable VOCA Federal Funds for FY 2022. The PR Department of Justice announces every year the amounts of federal funds that was received on the official website for the sub-recipients. In a press-communication given on the date of 29 of September of 2022 details the amount of funds that was distributed withing the island and its sub-recipients.

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

Our efforts include, among others, the improvement and expansion of the services which are offered and are available to the victims by the Victims Assistance Grant Program. The Puerto Rico Department of Justice through the External Resources Division has funded 88 sub-grantees. Among these sub-grantees are private non-profit community bases programs, non-profit faith organizations, municipalities, and government agencies. As a Grantee, we encouraged sub-grantees to maintain coordination between public and private organizations so the services provided may be of the best quality and in accordance with state laws and regulations. The subgrantees have to submit with each proposal the Volunteer Services Certifications in which specifies the number of people and hours dedicated for the victims of crime.

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

The biggest issues faced in Puerto Rico is that due to the reduction of the grant amount, some sub-recipients have faced the difficulty to provide their services at a efficient level for the VOCA grants.

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.

Our efforts have included, among others, the continuation of the services which are offered and are available to the victims by the Victims Assistance Grant Program. The Puerto Rico Department of Justice through the External Resources Division has funded 88 sub-grantees. Among these sub-grantees are private non-profit community bases programs, non-profit faith organizations, municipalities, and government agencies. As a Grantee, we encouraged sub-grantees to maintain coordination between public and private organizations so the services provided may be of the best quality and in accordance with state laws and regulations. The subgrantees have to submit with each proposal the Volunteer Services Certifications.

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

Throughout the year we have provided technical assistance to the development of the sub-recipients. We also constantly monitor and evaluate the services offered by the sub recipients. This monitoring process includes two phase of the monitoring guide, which covers the administrative, fiscal, programmatic, and closeout monitoring. Among many seminars, orientations and workshop our sub grantee have attended to improve the services to crime victims are: Psychological trauma of Crime victimization, crisis intervention, domestics violence and comprehensive intervention with children in dangerous situations. VOCA funds have expanded the services during the new VOCA guideline, which has been a big step to help to assist all of crime victims during the reporting period.

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

The department of justice thru the VOCA fund have achieved to give the services to the victims of crime with specific categories such as Child abuse, domestic assault, sexual assault and underserved which are categories that are vital for the VOCA funds in compliance with VOCA regulations.

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

Among the efforts taken to serve federal crime victims, the Specialized Program for Victims Assistance of the Puerto Rico Department of Justice, has handled victims referrals from the Federal District Attorney's Crime Victims Assistance Office. The Victims Witness Specialist of this office, Ms. Orlando Rios-Walker, maintains contact with this Program, the External Resources Division are invited to participate in our official activities. In addition, Mr. Rios Walker refers federal victims to VOCA Funded programs to receive counseling and therapy.

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

Puerto Rico has an increase in all crime categories, some categories more than others, between them are suicides, hate crimes, gender violence, a high increase in victims within the LGBTQ community as well those underserved populations in certain municipalities.

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

Cost of living has risen a significant amount because of the inflation that we are confronting due to our economy, also salaries given to workers at a sub-recipient and recipient level are insufficient to sustain a moderate living and are suffering from a excess of work overload. At the start of the year 2023 the department will be going thru restructuring of its internal management and employees salaries. And for the private sector there will be another salary raise.

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

Puerto Rico Department of Justice has implemented the method of publishing information about VOCA funds through its website, phone calls, and emails. The funds are announced on the Department of Justice s website for all non-profit organizations, public agencies, Universities and Municipalities with all the requirements and documentation needed.

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

During the reporting period, PR DOJ proposal evaluations identify organizations that can provide new/underserved populations given to priority over those that are centered in the top 4 programmatic areas of the classification of victims of crime.

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

The VOCA Program to address service responses has requested as public notice to develop projects in a few served areas (Center part of the island, East and West of the island) to offer direct services. An example of this direct service project, that provide for women, victims of domestic violence and sexual abuse in the center and west part of the Island. In PR DOJ has established cooperative agreements with organizations thru the geographic areas before mentioned.

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

Notification is sent to the government's office regarding statistics, audit and monitoring results of the federal funds that benefit crime victims under the VOCA funds. PR DOJ has brought to the attention the reduction in VOCA federal funds to the governor and legislature of Puerto Rico, this effort comes with the possibility for the local government be able to identify funds for organizations that saw a reduction or did not received any VOCA funds.

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