

PUBLIC NOTICE

LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Notice of Availability and Award of Funds

Federal Fiscal Year 2018 Federal STOP Violence Against Women (VAWA) Non-Competitive Grant Programs

Take notice that in compliance with Title IV of the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994, Pub. L. No 103-322, 108 Stat. 1796 (September 13, 1994), the Department of Law and Public Safety (Department) announces the availability and award of non-competitive subawards to develop, continue, expand or strengthen services for victims of violence against women in accordance with the State's Federally required Federal fiscal year (FFY) 2017 through 2020 Implementation Plan (Plan). These programs are funded with the FFY18 Federal STOP Violence Against Women (VAWA) Formula Grant. Federal regulations governing the Grant Program are set forth at 28 C.F.R. Part 90.

The Department has been designated by the Governor as the State Administering Agency (SAA) responsible for administering the New Jersey VAWA Grant Program. To administer the Grant Program and develop a plan, a New Jersey VAWA Advisory Committee (Committee) was established by the Department consisting of representatives from law enforcement, prosecution, courts, state corrections and human services agencies, and non-profit victim service agencies, including domestic violence and sexual assault organizations. The Committee identified the needs of victims of violence against women and prepared a plan to address these needs. Following the Federal guidelines for funding allocations, the Committee also selected the subrecipient agencies and recommended the funding amounts.

A total of \$264,872 is available to fund these non-competitive subawards, contingent upon continued Federal appropriations without reductions, to State, County, and local government agencies and victim service agencies providing direct services to victims of violence against women in the areas of prosecution, law enforcement, courts, and discretionary programs included in the Plan.

The Department is awarding funds to agencies recommended by the Committee as qualified because of their experience in providing services required by the Plan. Prior to award, each agency will submit an application for review and approval. Funds will be awarded as follows:

New Jersey Administrative Office of the Courts \$175,000

Education and Training on Fundamentals of Sexual Violence and Domestic Violence

New Jersey Department of Human Services \$89,872

Needs Assessment: Domestic and Sexual Violence and Disabilities in NJ

Under this notice, the Federal grant period is from July 1, 2018, to June 30, 2021. Individual programs have different start and end dates that fall within the Federal grant period. Eligible recipients of the non-competitive FFY18 VAWA program funds will receive application guidelines and all required application forms, via mail or e-mail, that must be completed and submitted by the established due date. Upon approval of project narrative and budget, applicants will receive subaward contract documents for approval and signature. Subrecipients must comply with programmatic and fiscal reporting requirements for approval and/or reimbursement of costs

incurred during the project period. Funding is contingent upon subrecipient application submissions, compliance with grant conditions, and satisfactory performance of services. All subrecipients will be required to supply matching funds of twenty-five percent towards their project.

Please note that funding allocations and individual subaward amounts are subject to change. Subrecipients shall recognize and agree that both the initial provision of funding and the continuation of such funding under a grant agreement is expressly dependent upon the availability to the Department of funds appropriated by the State or Federal legislature from State and/or Federal revenue to such other funding sources as may be applicable. A failure of the Department to make any payment under a grant agreement or to observe and perform any condition on its part to be performed under a grant agreement as a result of the failure of the State or Federal legislature to appropriate funds shall not in any manner constitute a breach of a grant agreement by the Department or an event of default under a grant agreement because of the absence of available funding appropriations. In addition, future funding shall not be anticipated from the Department beyond the duration of the award period set forth in a grant agreement and in no event shall a grant agreement be construed as a commitment by the Department to expend funds beyond the termination date set forth in a grant agreement.