

# Office on Violence Against Women Restorative Practices Pilot Program Evaluation

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# Office on Violence Against Women

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- OVW is a component of the United States Department of Justice (DOJ).
- Created in 1995, OVW administers grant programs authorized by the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) and subsequent legislation and provides national leadership on issues of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.
- OVW grants support coordinated community responses to hold offenders accountable and serve victims.



# Overview

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- Overview of the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW)
- Overview of the Restorative Practices Pilot Program
- RPPP Evaluation Solicitation
- Federal Award Information
- Eligibility Information
- Mandatory Program Requirements
- Registration, Application Components, and Key Submission Information
- Application Review Information



# Terminology

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Restorative Practices Pilot Program (RPPP)

Harm-doer

Person harmed

Participants: refer to all those involved in a restorative practice process and program. This includes victims of a harm, harm-doers, secondary victims or family members, community members, institutions, TTA providers, and pilot site practitioners.



# Program Description

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The purpose of the Research and Evaluation (R&E) Initiative, of which RPPP Evaluation is a component, is to research and evaluate approaches to preventing and addressing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. The program is designed to support researcher-practitioner partnerships to study VAWA-funded strategies for serving victims and holding offenders accountable.



# VAWA 2022 authorized the “Pilot Program on Restorative Practices” in 34 U.S.C. § 12514.

- (1) is community-based and unaffiliated with any civil or criminal legal process;
- (2) is initiated by a victim of the harm;
- (3) involves, on a voluntary basis and without any evidence of coercion or intimidation of any victim of the harm by any individual who committed the harm, or anyone associated with any such individual,
  - (i) one or more individuals who committed the harm,
  - (ii) one or more victims of the harm, and
  - (iii) the community affected by the harm through one or more representatives of the community;
- (4) shall include and has the goal of
  - (i) collectively seeking accountability from one or more individuals who committed the harm;
  - (ii) developing a written process whereby one or more individuals who committed the harm will take responsibility for the actions that caused harm to one or more victims of the harm; and
  - (iii) developing a written course of action plan (I) that is responsive to the needs of one or more victims of the harm; and (II) upon which one or more victims, one or more individuals who committed the harm, and the community can agree; and
- (5) is conducted in a victim services framework that protects the safety and supports the autonomy of one or more victims of the harm and the community. The statute’s program requirements also mandate the inclusion of a set of practices and procedures for screening the suitability of any individual who committed a harm based on a variety of factors and an assessment of risk.



# Restorative Practices Pilot Program

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# Pilot Sites

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- In 2024, OVW anticipates releasing a competitive solicitation to invite applications for RPPP pilot site awards. After that solicitation closes, OVW will subject the applications to a review process to assess, among other factors, applicants' capacity to: (a) implement programming aligned with the pilot program defined in 34 U.S.C. § 12514; (b) implement an approach that is conducted in a victim services framework and adheres to guardrails set forth in the statute and those required by OVW to ensure safety and autonomy for the person(s) harmed and accountability for the person who committed the harm; (c) participate in intensive and tailored TTA; and (d) **participate in evaluation efforts, including designating an Evaluation Liaison.**
- OVW anticipates selecting up to or greater than **10 pilot sites** and awarding them a maximum of **\$2 million** each for an initial **five-year project** that will involve a planning phase.





# Training and Technical Assistance

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- OVW issued a Call for Concept Papers in March 2023 to identify organizations with the requisite experience and capacity to provide training and technical assistance (TTA) to grantees, subgrantees, and potential grantees and subgrantees of the Restorative Practices Pilot Program (RPPP). Following an intensive review of responses to the Call for Concept Papers, OVW invited five entities to submit full applications.
- OVW issued awards to three of those applicants in March 2024 for five-year TTA projects that will run from April 2024 through March 2029 and will involve a planning phase.
- In addition to providing TTA to the pilot sites, **the TTA providers will participate in evaluation efforts of the RPPP funded through this solicitation.**



# Evaluation of Restorative Practices

- This evaluation effort is intended in part to fulfill statutory requirements. Evaluation is also essential for informing future funding, policy, and practice.
- The reporting requirements at 34 U.S.C. § 12514(h) specify the information that reports to Congress must provide.
- Restorative practices may use a variety of procedures and measures that are unique to the harm caused and the community affected. RPPP Evaluation applicants should be able to balance competing priorities and develop research designs that complement the aims of restorative practices.
- RPPP Evaluation recipients will evaluate the pilot and TTA projects with the expectation that the approaches the pilot sites use—and the objectives and outcomes they target—may shift as a result of adaptations throughout the duration of their projects.



# Core Research Questions

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The RPPP's authorizing statute requires OVW to track and report information that has implications for grantee performance measurement and OVW's evaluation of the pilot program (**see 34 U.S.C. § 12514(h)**). As such, the **RPPP Evaluation applicant must support OVW** in answering these questions, in addition to collecting other qualitative and quantitative information as determined by the Director.

- To what extent are victims of a harm satisfied with restorative practice services? What affects victim satisfaction? (Note: these are questions intended to be included, among others, in a victim evaluation component that is documented through survey or interview.)
- To what extent did harm-doers successfully complete and execute a written course of action plan? To what extent were harm-doers involved in a criminal or civil complaint involving domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking during the course of the restorative practice process?



# Other Research Question(s)

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The statute requires OVW to gather other qualitative and quantitative information determined by the Director. To this end, OVW is interested in applications that aim to answer some, but not necessarily all, of these questions:

- What are the key features of the RP models used by pilot sites? How do mechanisms and elements of restorative practice differ from site to site?
- How do RP models operate and what outcomes do they aim to achieve? Are there outcomes that are consistently targeted across RP models?
- To what extent are the models implemented as designed? What affects implementation fidelity? What mechanisms are present in successful programming or common elements in persistent challenges?
- How do participants learn about the program and become connected to services? Who opts in and who opts out of a restorative practice program?
- How are screening instruments and risk assessments developed and used to screen people in or out of the RP program? What effect do types of screening instruments have on who is accepted into an RP program?
- Who is screened in and out of RPs? How do those who are screened out perceive the process? What is the impact of screening tools (including risk assessments) and how are participants referred to other services?



# Other Research Question(s)

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- How do aspects of participants' lives, experiences, and identities affect their experiences with seeking, accessing, and participating in RPs? What, if any, disparities exist? How are these things addressed? Additionally, what strengths and approaches do various communities bring to RPs, such as different ways of knowing, historical practices, or cultural traditions?
- How do participants' notions of safety, healing, and justice affect their experiences with RPs?
- For people who participate in an RP program, what aspects—related to and outside the RP program itself—affect their experiences in the program, whether they complete the program, and their immediate and long-term outcomes? (For example, what causes participants to end their participation in the RP program, and what causes program staff to halt services? How does access to housing, employment, paid leave, financial assistance, health care, and/or childcare affect whether a harmed person and a harm-doer persist through the program? If there is also a criminal or civil case related to the harm the RP is redressing, do things related to the case affect the RP participation and outcomes?)
- How do experiences with an RP program, the criminal or civil justice system, both, or neither impact outcomes for both victims and harm-doers? How do RPs affect use of new violence?
- How do RPs affect a harm-doer's ability to contribute to a broader community?
- How do participants define and experience success or challenges? How are threats to safety or violations of community agreements (such as a written course of action plan) managed, monitored, and addressed? How do participants perceive these approaches? What are the mechanisms or practices that enhance success and safety? How do programs incorporate participants' feedback on success and challenges into their work?



# Activities that Compromise Victim Safety and Recovery or Undermine Offender Accountability

OVW does not fund activities that jeopardize victim safety, deter or prevent physical or emotional healing for victims, or allow offenders to escape responsibility for their actions.

Applications that propose any such activities may receive a deduction in points during the review process or may be eliminated from consideration.

Please note that OVW will support survivor-centered alternative pathways to justice and non-criminal approaches to accountability that fall within the statutory scope of this program.



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# Out-of-Scope Activities

The activities listed below are out of the program scope and will not be funded under this program. See also the list of unallowable costs in the Funding Restrictions section of the FY 2024 R&E solicitation.

**Applications that propose activities deemed to be substantially out-of-scope may be eliminated from consideration.**

- Proposals to conduct needs assessment activities exclusively for the purpose of program improvement. (Refer to the OVW research decision tree in the Solicitation Companion Guide.)
- Proposals primarily to purchase equipment, materials, or supplies. (A budget may include these items if they are necessary to conduct the proposed study.)
- Proposals that are not responsive to this specific solicitation.
- Implementation of an intervention unrelated to the scope of the proposed research project.
- Training in support of programs or direct services unrelated to or, unassociated with, the proposed research project.



# Federal Award Information

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## At-a-Glance

Grants.gov Number	O-OVW-2024-171996
CFDA Number	16.052
Award Period	Up to 5 Years (60 months)
Funding Levels	Anticipating up to \$8 million
Registration: System for Award Management (SAM) and Grants.gov	<b>Immediately</b> (but no later than May 14, 2024)
Grants.gov Closing Date	<b>June 11, 2024 – 11:59 p.m. ET</b>
JustGrants Closing Date	<b>June 13, 2024 – 8:59 p.m. ET</b>
Period of Performance Start Date	November 1, 2024

# Award Period and Amounts

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- The budget cap of **\$8,000,000** includes direct and indirect costs.
- Budgets, including the total estimated funding requested on the SF-424, must reflect the requested project duration (no more than **60 months or five years**)
- All awards are subject to the availability of appropriated funds and any modifications or additional requirements that may be imposed by law.
- Budgets should include funding for accessibility and compensation for project partners and research participants.



# Eligible Applicants

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The following entities are eligible to apply for RPPP Evaluation funding:

- Nonprofit organizations including culturally specific and population specific organizations, with and without IRS status
- Private institutions of higher education
- Public and state-controlled institutions of higher education
- Tribal organizations (other than federally recognized tribal governments)

Applicants should have a history of comprehensive training and experience in conducting research with victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.



# Ineligible Entities and Disqualifying Factors

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**Applications submitted by ineligible entities or that do not meet all program eligibility requirements will not be considered for funding.**

An application deemed deficient in one or more of the following categories may not be considered for funding:

- Activities that compromise victim safety
- Out-of-scope activities
- Unallowable costs
- Pre-award risk assessment
- Completeness of application contents
- Timeliness



# **Program Requirements**

# Research Team Capabilities and Competencies

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This solicitation places particular emphasis on demonstration of capability.

- Capacity to develop and conduct rigorous mixed-methods research projects;
- Experience developing and conducting research in **meaningful partnership** with non-researchers, and capacity to involve, recruit, and train local community members to help conduct research locally and **collaborate with Evaluation Liaisons designated by the pilot sites**;
- An understanding of RPs generally and their use specifically in matters involving domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking;
- Ability to formulate a research design that is consistent with, or mirrors, some of the goals of RPs, such as approaches that are geared toward empowerment, conducive to healing, and make space for multiple perspectives;
- Ability to formulate and carry out research approaches that align with OVW's Research and Evaluation Methodological Principles.



# Research Team Capabilities and Competencies

- Capacity to assemble a research team with qualitative and quantitative data analysis competencies;
- Ability to **collaborate closely with OVW** throughout project implementation and adjust as needed;
- Demonstrated experience working with historically marginalized and/or underserved communities and ensuring access and equitable research participation for people with disabilities and people with limited English proficiency;
- Ability to accommodate shifts in RPPP programming, staff, and timelines; and
- Experience effectively disseminating research findings to a variety of audiences and in appropriate, multi-disciplinary, and accessible formats, including sharing findings with people who participated in the research as well as policymakers.



# Methodological Principles

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**Any project funded under this solicitation must adhere to the methodological principles listed below. OVW will only support research methods that:**

- Are well-matched to the purpose of the research and build on existing evidence;
- Uphold victim safety as the paramount objective, with the understanding that scientific progress is always subordinate to that objective;
- Are likely to yield findings that have practical utility for victim services providers, justice system professionals, and others;
- Are developed collaboratively between researchers and practitioners;
- Place as minimal a burden as possible on crime victims, offenders, and systems;
- Operate from a cogent theoretical framework; and
- Have been approved by an Institutional Review Board (IRB) if they involve human subjects research.





# Methodological Principles cont'd.

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## **OVW will NOT support research that:**

- Prioritizes scientific rigor over practical value or ethics. Ethics being broadly defined and not limited to published standards;
- Is minimally useful to practitioners;
- Offers minimal cost benefit;
- Lacks a clear theoretical foundation; and/or
- Is designed to generate descriptive findings that emphasize vulnerabilities and neglect strengths of specific populations.



# Expected Products

Recipients should create a plan to effectively share their research findings with research participants, pilot sites, policy makers, the public, and TTA providers. This will take the form of the following

Ongoing Research Dissemination	Presentations	Scholarly Products	Research Briefs	Final Research Report
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Share relevant preliminary findings or trends with <b>OVW staff, policymakers, TTA providers, pilot site Evaluation Liaisons, and research participants</b>, with the goal of ensuring victim safety, promoting transparency, supporting program adaptation and improvement, and facilitating timely adjustments.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• One or more presentations made via webinar or conferences.</li><li>• Should be accessible and available for public audience.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Peer-reviewed, scientific journal articles, and/or law review journal articles, conference papers, book chapter(s) or book(s) in the academic press.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 1 to 2-page research brief(s) written in plain language and intended for practitioners, policymakers, and/or the public.</li><li>• The brief should include a summary of the study, goals and objectives, research questions, methods, results, key findings, and limitations.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The final report should include a cover page, summary of the project, including goals and objectives and methods, outcomes, and artifacts.</li><li>• <b>Award recipients should expect that all or part of the final report will be made available to the public.</b></li></ul>



# Confidentiality and Human Subjects Protection

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Any recipient of an award under this solicitation will be required to comply with DOJ regulations on confidentiality and human subjects' protection. See Human Subjects and Privacy Protection, at: <https://nij.ojp.gov/funding/human-subjects-and-privacy-protection>.



# **SAM and Grants.gov Registration**

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# Registration

Applicants must register with the systems listed below to successfully apply. The two-step registration process includes:

**Step 1:** Register with the System for Award Management (SAM) includes receiving a UEI, and Grants.gov no later than **May 14, 2024, 11:59 p.m. ET**

**Step 2:** Register with JustGrants no later than **May 14, 2024, 8:59 p.m. ET**

**NOTE:** Registration with SAM and Grants.gov must be completed before an applicant can register with JustGrants. **Applicants are strongly encouraged to begin the registration process or ensure that all accounts are active and up to date by May 14, 2024.**



# Information to Complete the Application for Federal Assistance

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**Applicants must complete the following forms in Grants.gov:**

- Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424)
- Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (SF-LLL)

**Note:** The Standard Applicant Information section in the JustGrants application is pre-populated with the SF-424 data submitted in Grants.gov.



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# Application Components

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# Letter of Intent (LOI)

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Potential applicants are encouraged to submit a non-binding letter of intent by **April 20, 2024**, to [OVW.Research@usdoj.gov](mailto:OVW.Research@usdoj.gov).

Interested applicants who do not submit a Letter of Intent are still eligible and encouraged to apply.





# Application Contents

Proposal Abstract

Proposal Narrative

Budget Detail Worksheet and Narrative

Appendices (required)



# Proposal Abstract

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- The Proposal Abstract (no more than 400 words) should summarize the proposed project in plain language, including the project title, purpose of the project, goals and intended outcomes, primary activities, intended beneficiaries, and subrecipient involvement (if known).
- If the application is funded, the abstract typically will become public information and may be used to describe the project.
- The abstract does not count against the page limit for the Proposal Narrative.



# Proposal Narrative

## **I. Background, weighted at 10%, must include:**

- The Research Questions the project will aim to answer, and why these questions are prioritized. This should include core research questions.
- Purpose, goals, and objectives of the proposed project.
- A summary review of literature most relevant to the proposed project.

## **II. Project design and implementation, weighted at 30%, must include:**

- An explanation of the theoretical foundation(s) on which the proposed research is based.
- A description of a sound research design(s) and appropriate analytic methods, including hypotheses related to the research questions, a description of the sample (to the extent the applicant can speculate about the sample without knowing the pilot sites), and analysis plans, all of which must align with the Methodological Principles in the Program Requirements section of this solicitation.
- A discussion of how any proposed research design is consistent with, or mirrors, some of the goals of RPs, such as approaches that are geared toward empowerment, conducive to healing, community-specific, iterative, and open to multiple perspectives.
- A discussion of potential pitfalls or limitations of the proposed project and how the applicant will minimize and/or mitigate them.
- Recommended check points at which evaluators and project staff



# Proposal Narrative continued

## III. Potential impact (10%)

- Implications for practice and policy in how communities respond to domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking.
- Implications for the replication, application, enhancement, and adaptation of restorative practices in a variety of settings. Applicants should articulate how research will improve and support the ongoing efficacy of the pilots.

## IV. Capabilities and competencies (40%)

- Description of the applicant's qualifications to develop and conduct the proposed project, and the qualifications of key staff and partners, particularly as qualifications pertain to familiarity with or expertise in restorative practices, research involving victims of violence, mixed methods, qualitative methods, participatory research, community-based research, and/or research involving culturally specific or historically marginalized populations, and/or other underserved populations.
- How the applicant envisions working in partnership with pilot sites (including Evaluation Liaisons), communities, and TTA providers, and recruiting and training local staff or consultants at the pilot sites to help conduct the research.
- Articulation of the applicant's ability to adjust project design and approach to context-specific challenges and shifts in RPPP programming.



# Proposal Narrative continued

## IV. Capabilities and competencies (40%) (continued)

- Anticipated management plan with key roles identified and an indication of how much time key staff anticipate contributing to the project.
- Demonstrated experience effectively working with historically marginalized and/or other underserved communities and ensuring access and equitable research participation for people with disabilities and people with limited English proficiency.
- Experience effectively disseminating research findings for a variety of audiences and in appropriate and accessible formats, including experience disseminating findings to people who participated in the research.

## IV. Dissemination plan (10%)

- A description of a plan to produce expected products and make findings available for various audiences—including but not limited to the pilot sites, TTA providers, policymakers, and RP participants—through written materials and accessible interactive formats. This should include a plan to share interim findings with pilot sites, TTA providers, and OVW staff, as well as a plan to share findings with research participants.



# Budget Worksheet and Budget Narrative

- Applicants must submit a detailed budget estimate and budget narrative and must upload the applicable associated documentation as described below, under each heading.
- The budget worksheet and budget narrative are not scored but are required for an application to be sent to peer review.
- OVW recognizes that because applicants do not know the pilot sites—and research designs will be further developed after sites are selected—it is difficult for applicants to formulate a detailed budget. OVW anticipates working with the recipient to negotiate the project budget in segments, with OVW releasing funds in phases. **As such, it is understood that applicants' budgets are merely a best estimate in the absence of critical information and are subject to significant changes post-award.**
- Applicants should request an award period of 60 months, and maximum total project funding of \$8,000,000. The budget cap of \$8,000,000 includes direct and indirect costs.
  - Compensate all project partners
  - Include sufficient funds to provide language access to ensure meaningful access for persons with limited English proficiency and people with disabilities or who are Deaf/hard of hearing.



# Required Appendices

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Appendices can be submitted as separate attachments or in consolidated files in Just Grants. Required appendices include:

**Appendix 1:** Bibliography/references

**Appendix 2:** Tools/instruments, questionnaires, tables/charts/graphs, or maps

**Appendix 3:** Curriculum vitae or resumes

**Appendix 4:** Letters of commitment

**Appendix 5:** Documentation of Research and Evaluation Independence and Integrity (*see page 23 in the solicitation for additional requirements*)



# Required Appendices continued

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**Appendix 6:** Data archiving plan

**Appendix 7:** Human Subjects Protection paperwork

**Appendix 8:** Privacy Certificate

**Appendix 9:** Project Staff, Affiliation, and Roles Form

Please see solicitation for details on each Appendix



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# Additional Application Components

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## Letter of Nonsupplanting

- Applicants must attach a letter to OVW's Director, signed by the Authorized Representative, certifying that federal funds will not be used to supplant non-federal funds should a grant award be made.

## Confidentiality Notice Form

- All applicants are required to acknowledge that they have received notice that grantees/subgrantees must comply with the confidentiality and privacy requirements of VAWA, as amended.
- Applicants must upload and attach, under Additional Attachments in JustGrants, the completed acknowledgement form available on the OVW website. This form must be signed by the Authorized Representative.



# Additional Application Components

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## **Pre-award Risk Assessment**

- Each applicant must submit a Pre-award Risk Assessment.
- Provide complete responses that address all questions.

## **Summary Data Sheet**

- Each applicant must submit a Summary Data Sheet.
- Quick synopsis of key aspects of the proposal.
- Answer each criteria included.
- Data is used in the initial review of the application.



# Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (if applicable)

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- Applicants that intend to charge indirect costs through the use of a negotiated indirect cost rate must have a current, signed, federally approved indirect cost rate agreement, and must upload and attach a copy of the agreement to their application in JustGrants.
- Applicants rate may elect to charge a de minimis rate of 10% of modified total direct costs, which may be used indefinitely.
- Organizations that wish to negotiate an indirect cost rate should contact OVW's Grants Financial Management Division at [OVW.GFMD@usdoj.gov](mailto:OVW.GFMD@usdoj.gov) or 1-888-514-8556.



# Summary of Other Federal Funding

- Applicants must disclose all current and recent OVW awards (if applicable)
- If the applicant has a current grant or cooperative agreement under any OVW grant program or an award that closed within the 12 months before the date this solicitation closes, the information must be provided in a table using the sample format found on the OVW website.
- Applicants also must disclose all other federal grant programs from which the applicant currently receives funding or for which it has applied for funding in FY 2024 to do similar work.
- A determination by OVW that an award under this solicitation would duplicate other federal funds received by the applicant may be removed from further consideration.



# Applicant Financial Capability Questionnaire (if applicable)

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**All nonprofit, nongovernmental organizations** that apply for funding from OVW and have not previously (or within the last three years) received funding from OVW must complete an [Applicant Financial Capability Questionnaire](#) and attach it to their application in JustGrants.

**Note:** Applicants may be required to submit their current year's audit report at a later time.



# Disclosures and Assurances

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**Each applicant must review, complete, and submit all disclosures, assurances, and certifications a described below:**

- Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (SF-LLL)
- DOJ Certified Standard Assurances
- DOJ Certifications Regarding Lobbying; Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters; and Drug-Free Workplace Requirements
- Disclosure of Process Related to Executive Compensation



# Key Submission Information

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# Formatting and Technical Requirements

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1. Double-spaced (charts may be single-spaced)
2. 8½ x 11-inch pages
3. One-inch margins
4. Arial font, type no smaller than 11-point, except for footnotes, which may be 9-point
5. Correctly numbered pages
6. No more than 30 pages for the Project Narrative (excludes the title page and table of contents and figures)
7. Documents in the following formats: Microsoft Word (.doc), PDF files (.pdf), or Text Documents (.txt)
8. Headings and sub-headings that correspond to the sections identified in this section of this solicitation



# Submission Information

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The complete application package (this solicitation, including links to required forms) is available on Grants.gov and on the OVW website.

All applications must be submitted electronically first in Grants.gov (SF-424 and SF-LLL) and then in JustGrants.

OVW will not accept applications after the JustGrants deadline, except for severe inclement weather or natural or man-made disaster.

The Grants.Gov deadline is two days before the JustGrants application deadline.



# Submission Information

Applications will be submitted to OVW in two steps:

**Step 1:** Submit the required Application for Federal Assistance standard form (SF-424) and the Disclosure of Lobbying Activities form (SF-LLL) in Grants.gov.

**Step 2:** The applicant must then submit the full application, including attachments, in JustGrants at [justicegrants.usdoj.gov](https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov) no later than **June 13, 8:59 p.m. ET.**

**NOTE:** For the application to be on time, the full application must be submitted in JustGrants by the JustGrants application deadline. JustGrants functions better using a PC with Chrome or Edge web browser.



# Contact Information for Technical Issues

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Applicants experiencing technical difficulties with SAM should go to:

[https://www.fsd.gov/gsafsd\\_sp](https://www.fsd.gov/gsafsd_sp).

Applicants experiencing technical difficulties with Grants.gov should contact: [support@grants.gov](mailto:support@grants.gov).

Applicants experiencing technical difficulties with JustGrants should contact:

[OVW.JustGrantsSupport@usdoj.gov](mailto:OVW.JustGrantsSupport@usdoj.gov).



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# **Application Review Information**

## Review Criteria

Background	10%
Project design and implementation	30%
Potential impact	10%
Capabilities/competencies	40%
Dissemination plan	10%
Budget and Budget Narrative	<i>Not scored but required for an application to be sent to peer review</i>



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FY 2024 Solicitation Companion Guide- <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/1557501/download>

Resources for Applicants– <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/resources-applicants>

OVW Conference Cost Planning- <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/conference-planning>

Program Specific Solicitations – <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/open-solicitations>

OVW Youtube Channel - <https://www.youtube.com/@OVWJustice>



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# Financial Resources

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Training for OVW Applicants: <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/resources-applicants>

Budget Information and Sample Budget Detail Worksheet:  
<https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/1107316/download>

Creating a Budget: <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/video/creating-budget>

Uniform Guidance - 2 CFR Part 200: <https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-2/subtitle-A/chapter-II/part-200?toc=1>

DOJ Financial Guide: <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/1575616/dl?inline=>



# Federal Awarding Agency Contact(s)

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Financial questions, contact 888-514-8556 or [ovw.gfmd@usdoj.gov](mailto:ovw.gfmd@usdoj.gov)

Technical questions: Grants.gov Applicant Support at 800-518-4726 or [support@grants.gov](mailto:support@grants.gov)

OVW JustGrants Support at 1-866-655-4482 or [OVW.JustGrantsSupport@usdoj.gov](mailto:OVW.JustGrantsSupport@usdoj.gov)



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# Contact Information

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For assistance with the requirements of this solicitation, email [OVW.Research@usdoj.gov](mailto:OVW.Research@usdoj.gov). Alternatively, applicants may call OVW at 202-307-6026.

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