

NE 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-0067	2017-VA-GX-0010	2018-V2-GX-0021	2019-V2-GX-0061
Federal Award Amount	\$13,278,442.00	\$11,113,923.00	\$19,738,434.00	\$13,482,116.00
Total Amount of Subawards	\$12,170,507.00	\$11,198,815.00	\$8,693,703.00	\$0.00
Total Number of Subawards	74	55	54	0
Administrative Funds Amount	\$663,922.00	\$555,696.00	\$986,921.00	\$0.00
Training Funds Amount	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Balance Remaining	\$444,013.00	(\$640,588.00)	\$10,057,810.00	\$13,482,116.00

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-0067	2017-VA-GX-0010	2018-V2-GX-0021	2019-V2-GX-0061
Government Agencies Only	20	16	14	0
Corrections	0	0	0	0
Courts	0	1	1	0
Juvenile Justice	0	0	0	0
Law Enforcement	11	5	8	0
Prosecutor	6	7	3	0
Other	3	3	2	0
Nonprofit Organization Only	53	37	39	0
Child Abuse Service organization (e.g., child advocacy center)	24	20	21	0
Coalition (e.g., state domestic violence or sexual assault coalition)	0	1	1	0
Domestic and Family Violence Organization	2	3	2	0
Faith-based Organization	0	0	0	0
Organization Provides Domestic and Family Violence and Sexual Assault Services	21	13	11	0
Organization by and/or for underserved victims of crime (e.g., drunk driving, homicide, elder abuse)	0	0	0	0

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Sexual Assault Services organization (e.g., rape crisis center)	0	0	0	0
Multiservice agency	6	0	4	0
Other	0	0	0	0
Federally Recognized Tribal Governments, Agencies, and Organizations Only	1	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	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	1	1	0
Campus Organizations Only	0	0	0	0
Campus-based victims services	0	0	0	0
Law enforcement	0	0	0	0
Physical or mental health service program	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0
Total Number of Subawards	74	55	54	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-0067	2017-VA-GX-0010	2018-V2-GX-0021	2019-V2-GX-0061

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A. Continue a VOCA-funded victim project funded in a previous year	64	52	49	0
B. Expand or enhance an existing project not funded by VOCA in the previous year	7	0	0	0
C. Start up a new victim services project	4	4	5	0
D. Start up a new Native American victim services project	0	1	0	0
E. Expand or enhance an existing Native American project	2	1	0	0

VOCA and Match Funds				
A single SAR can select multiple service types. Numbers are not unique				
	2016-VA-GX-0067	2017-VA-GX-0010	2018-V2-GX-0021	2019-V2-GX-0061
A.INFORMATION & REFERRAL	65	50	49	0
B.PERSONAL ADVOCACY/ACCOMPANIMENT	72	53	47	0
C.EMOTIONAL SUPPORT OR SAFETY SERVICES	58	43	41	0
D.SHELTER/HOUSING SERVICES	34	21	22	0
E.CRIMINAL/CIVIL JUSTICE SYSTEM ASSISTANCE	64	46	47	0
F. ASSISTANCE IN FILING COMPENSATION CLAIMS	73	54	54	0

Priority and Underserved Requirements				
Priority Area	2016-VA-GX-0067	2017-VA-GX-0010	2018-V2-GX-0021	2019-V2-GX-0061
Child Abuse				
Total Amount	\$1,878,394.00	\$2,181,898.00	\$1,823,352.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	14.00 %	20.00 %	9.00 %	
Domestic and Family Violence				
Total Amount	\$4,531,990.00	\$5,513,315.00	\$3,711,192.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	34.00 %	50.00 %	19.00 %	
Sexual Assault				
Total Amount	\$1,725,308.00	\$1,689,204.00	\$1,821,981.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	13.00 %	15.00 %	9.00 %	
Underserved				
Total Amount	\$1,035,567.00	\$1,814,127.00	\$1,337,178.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	8.00 %	16.00 %	7.00 %	

Budget and Staffing				
Staffing Information	2016-VA-GX-0067	2017-VA-GX-0010	2018-V2-GX-0021	2019-V2-GX-0061

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Total number of paid staff for all subgrantee victimization program and/or services	616.5	430	386
Number of staff hours funded through this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	384094.175	357135	372155
Total number of volunteer staff supporting the work of this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	466.194	1053	631
Number of volunteer hours supporting the work of this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	120443.8	105425	44802

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)	48	2514	2478	4120	4369	3370
Adult Sexual Assault	85	1273	1547	1941	1866	1656
Adults Sexually Abused/Assaulted as Children	71	163	217	201	119	175
Arson	30	42	44	52	64	50
Bullying (Verbal, Cyber or Physical)	58	161	143	147	177	157
Burglary	31	799	734	738	865	784
Child Physical Abuse or Neglect	5	2545	3242	2884	3277	2987
Child Pornography	69	140	220	141	190	172
Child Sexual Abuse/Assault	104	3162	3935	3492	3295	3471
Domestic and/or Family Violence	1	9369	9897	10328	11948	10385
DUI/DWI Incidents	34	257	319	304	338	304
Elder Abuse or Neglect	63	121	118	215	270	181
Hate Crime: Racial/Religious/Gender/ Sexual Orientation/Other (Explanation Required)	34	12	6	7	2	6
Human Trafficking: Labor	65	8	5	10	13	9
Human Trafficking: Sex	98	102	91	103	104	100
Identity Theft/Fraud/Financial Crime	32	418	519	584	621	535

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Kidnapping (non-custodial)	45	43	27	30	23	30
Kidnapping (custodial)	49	11	39	28	82	40
Mass Violence (Domestic/International)	29	2	2	2	5	2
Other Vehicular Victimization (e.g., Hit and Run)	33	801	574	690	849	728
Robbery	32	421	414	344	395	393
Stalking/Harassment	84	917	1128	1298	1342	1171
Survivors of Homicide Victims	50	415	456	421	444	434
Teen Dating Victimization	80	139	181	152	126	149
Terrorism (Domestic/International)	26	2	0	2	3	1
Other	31	8775	10591	11580	13471	11104

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	52	37	64	71	302
Homeless	961	896	1110	1340	3398
Immigrants/Refugees/Asylum Seekers	333	283	289	271	1658
LGBTQ	79	77	85	92	250
Veterans	119	108	127	111	345
Victims with Disabilities: Cognitive/Physical /Mental	1053	1176	1379	1347	3861
Victims with Limited English Proficiency	739	622	733	741	2851
Other	186	209	197	192	1936

General Award Information

Activities Conducted at the Subgrantee Level	Number	Percent
Total number of individuals who received services during the Fiscal Year.	116049	
Total number of anonymous contacts who received services during the Fiscal Year	13312	
Number of new individuals who received services from your state for the first time during the Fiscal Year.	89922	77.49 %
Of the clients who received services, how many presented with more than one type of victimization during the Fiscal Year?	19830	17.09 %
Number of individuals assisted with a victim compensation application during the Fiscal Year.	2894	

Demographics

Demographic Characteristic of New Individuals Served	Number	Percent
Race/Ethnicity		
American Indian or Alaska Native	1635	1.82 %

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Asian	960	1.07 %
Black or African American	10594	11.78 %
Hispanic or Latino	9704	10.79 %
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	65	0.07 %
White Non-Latino or Caucasian	44798	49.82 %
Some Other Race	1135	1.26 %
Multiple Races	1314	1.46 %
Not Reported	11321	12.59 %
Not Tracked	8396	9.34 %
Race/Ethnicity Total		89922
Gender Identity		
Male	26318	29.27 %
Female	47047	52.32 %
Other	90	0.10 %
Not Reported	8121	9.03 %
Not Tracked	8346	9.28 %
Gender Total		89922
Age		
Age 0- 12	9911	11.02 %
Age 13- 17	5604	6.23 %
Age 18- 24	9416	10.47 %
Age 25- 59	39786	44.25 %
Age 60 and Older	7587	8.44 %
Not Reported	9135	10.16 %
Not Tracked	8483	9.43 %
Age Total		89922

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	52	80832	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			A1. Information about the criminal justice process	63448
			A2. Information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.	66590
			A3. Referral to other victim service programs	12514

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			A4. Referral to other services, supports, and resources (includes legal, medical, faith-based organizations, address confidentiality programs, etc.)	50242
B. Personal Advocacy/ Accompaniment	61	29605	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			B1. Victim advocacy/accompaniment to emergency medical care	2239
			B2. Victim advocacy/accompaniment to medical forensic exam	538
			B3. Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment	4462
			B4. Individual advocacy (e.g., assistance in applying for public benefits, return of personal property or effects)	47430
			B5. Performance of medical or nonmedical forensic exam or interview or medical evidence collection	3855
			B6. Immigration assistance (e.g., special visas, continued presence application, and other immigration relief)	4233
			B7. Intervention with employer, creditor, landlord, or academic institution	513
			B8. Child or dependent care assistance (includes coordination of services)	4669
			B9. Transportation assistance (includes coordination of services)	8118
			B10. Interpreter services	6203
C. Emotional Support or Safety Services	46	43926	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			C1. Crisis intervention (in-person, includes safety planning, etc.)	47556
			C2. Hotline/crisis line counseling	46406
			C3. On-scene crisis response (e.g., community crisis response)	1074
			C4. Individual counseling	9497
			C5. Support groups (facilitated or peer)	10464
			C6. Other Therapy (traditional, cultural, or alternative healing; art, writing, or play therapy, etc.)	1680
			C7. Emergency financial assistance	17196
D. Shelter/ Housing Services	27	2835	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			D1. Emergency shelter or safe house	44707
			D2. Transitional housing	20372

			D3. Relocation assistance (includes assistance with obtaining housing)	8867
E. Criminal/ Civil Justice System Assistance	55	47806	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			E1. Notification of criminal justice events	45997
			E2. Victim impact statement assistance	2503
			E3. Assistance with restitution	2711
			E4. Civil legal assistance in obtaining protection or restraining order	6286
			E5. Civil legal assistance with family law issues	5979
			E6. Other emergency justice-related assistance	4453
			E7. Immigration assistance	735
			E8. Prosecution interview advocacy/accompaniment	7591
			E9. Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment	842
			E10. Criminal advocacy/accompaniment	14876
E11. Other legal advice and/or counsel	2364			

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.

To enhance the integrity of the online grant management system new user agreements were created for users of the grant management system in order to stay in compliance with state and federal guidelines. Prior to August 2017 the Crime Commission had a Grants Division that oversaw most federal grants, with issues that were occurring due to the increase of VOCA the Victim Assistance Division was created to adequately administer the funds. The VA Division had implemented several policies and process improvement initiatives since its inception. In May 2018 the Grants Division was moved under the leadership of the VA Division Chief creating the Federal Grants and Programs Division and the VA Chief was made the Director. This has allowed for all federal grants received in the agency to be administered under the same division. This change also moved the VOCA Compensation grant under the Federal Grants and Programs Division as it had previously been in the Budget and Accounting Division for several years. The restructure within the division changed grant monitor positions to Grant Managers and they have the day to day oversight at a subrecipient level for their assigned organizations and all grant programs received (i.e. VOCA, JAG, STOP, etc). The monitoring risk assessment (Operational Assessment Tool) previously used by the VA Division was implemented for all federal grants and it was modified to take into consideration the various funding sources received by the organization with the outcome being one financial monitoring level. The programmatic pieces of the risk assessment are unique to the funded program/project.

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

As the SAA we have not had any media coverage during the reporting period.

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

The Federal Grants and Programs Division coordinates with victim service providers across the state of Nebraska. The Director served on the Board of Directors for the Nebraska Coalition for Victims of Crime and was part of the steering committee for Nebraska Victim Assistance Academy along with a grant manager and the newly created Training Specialist position. The Federal Grants and Programs Division also has a Grant Section Administrator that attends the Tribal Coalition meetings along with the VAWA Administrator. The FG&P Division has a State Wide Victim Advocate that works with agencies all across Nebraska to provide victim services.

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

Nebraska is a very rural state, this is an issue that the Federal Grants and Programs Division will have to overcome each grant cycle. One of the metrics we look at when go through award process is how we can fund programs to meet the needs of these rural areas. We have maintained providing travel budgets so agencies can cover their large rural service areas as well as supported opening satellite offices. We have also assisted with funding a Human Trafficking Pilot program in rural Nebraska. The state victim advocate also assists with providing advocacy throughout the state. One need that often comes up, particularly, in the rural parts is having access to quality mental health services. Victims in areas without mental health services either have to drive several hours or go without. VOCA funds are used to help pay for mental health services, however, when providers are not available it leaves a need.

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.

Staff from the Federal Grants and Programs Division are involved in boards, committees, and attend conferences across the state to promote collaboration on victim services. The state advocate applied for the CAP grant and promoted victims services during National Victim Rights Week. The Federal Grants and Programs Division has also transitioned to funding two year grant cycles, within the cycle the budgets are done on an annual basis and contingent on success of the program and grant management. This helps the victim service agencies plan and budget more effectively.

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

Post online grant management implementation the Federal Grants and Programs Division has restructured to assist victim service agencies more effectively. In the past each agency had two Grant Specialist, one for program management and one for financial management. Now each agency has on Grant Specialist that manages both program and financial aspects of their VOCA grant and requirements to include all other federal grants they receive from our agency. This helps agencies because it provides more effective communication. Another piece of the restructure is adding a Project and Data specialist that works with the PMT system, this again improves communication on the PMT system requirements to victim services agencies.

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

In this reporting period we funded 15 CASA programs, 1 being a new program and 6 Child Advocacy Center programs with the addition of the Nebraska Alliance of Child Advocacy Centers being a new VOCA recipient. With our new traditional funding we provided a rural CAC funding for a Human Trafficking pilot in their service area. There are 20 domestic violence and sexual assault agencies that were funded, our program has worked to maintain current services that are being provided by these agencies as well as identify new services that are needed. The SAA worked with agencies budgets to assist with advocacy pay and assist with the impact of staff turnover. The Nebraska Victim Advocacy Coordinator conducted outreach to assist with potentially underserved rural areas in Nebraska as well as working with funded agencies to assist and provide victim services.

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

Programs that receive VOCA funding are required to serve victims of federal crimes at the same level they do all other crime victims. This information is provided in the funding announcement, Special Conditions, and reviewed during monitoring activities.

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

Recently our program experienced mass violence response in Lincoln at a local daycare. There have been 696 children identified as potential victims of sexual assault. Our program responded to this incident by assisting the Child Advocacy Center that has been tasked with the investigations. Our program has provided over \$100,000 to assist with hiring a new advocate and office equipment for this advocate, help cover overtime expenses for staff, assist with the Executive Director's salary for interviews. Our program has also provided funding to cover gym memberships to CAC staff, yoga, therapy co-pays for CAC staff; investigators; parents and children. The CAC is working with the University to create a support group for parents and a safe play area for the kids that is being funded with VOCA dollars. Within this funding we are also providing meals for CAC staff and investigators (with special approval from DOJ) because with this extra work it is difficult for them to take a lunch break. Additionally in response to this incident we have added \$150,000 to the sexual assault program to cover 300 additional exams. This is a large case that is also being investigated by the FBI and prosecuted by the U.S. Attorney General due to the distribution of child pornography charges. The Nebraska Victim Advocacy Coordinator and the Crime Victims Reparations Program Manager have both reached out to the Child Advocacy Center and discussed resources to assist the children and their families that could be provided by either program. Due to the large number of victims and other factors involved this will be a lengthy case that will require a significant amount of victim service resources.

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

There has been no issues with staff retention during this period. Formerly the Victim Assistance Division was restructured to the Federal Grants and Programs Division which has created more effective management for the Grant Managers. The restructure has also allowed the FG&P Director to look at where the needs of the division are to better serve our subgrantees across all funding sources. An Internal Compliance Manager position was created to assist with audits, monitors, and reviewing internal work to ensure that policies and procedures are adequately followed. The Operations Assistant position has been expanded to lead strategic planning efforts for all funding sources, write and update policies and procedures and provide overall communication and coordination with stakeholders and subrecipients. As stated previously the restructure also changed one of the positions to a Project and Data Specialist that ensures projects are being completed and checking PMT data across all funding sources.

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

With the transition to an online grant management system the RFP for VOCA is housed in the online preaward process. The information and link to the RFP is passed on to current recipients, coalitions, and stakeholders. We ask they pass it on to other agencies that would qualify for VOCA funding. The link for the RFP is also listed on the Nebraska Crime Commission website.

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

During this reporting period we did make \$1Million available to new programs for a two year project period. Five new programs were funded that are across the state. One is for a new victim witness unit in a rural part of western Nebraska that does see a large number of victimizations, especially in the summer as they have a large number of tourists. Another program that was funded is the Nebraska Bar Association to provide a Low-Bono program that works with attorneys across the state to provide services free of charge to victims of crime. Although Legal Aid of Nebraska has been funded by VOCA for a few years, they often have a conflict of interest or do not have services available in the more rural parts of the state. The two programs together will be able to provide access to legal services to victims of crime across the state. The Traditional VOCA RFP was made available at the same time and through that some existing programs were able to expand their services to meet the underserved populations in their

area. One of those programs is a Child Advocacy Center in western rural Nebraska that is along the interstate and started a pilot program to address Human Trafficking in the area.

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

Our program works to identify gaps in service throughout the grant cycle. This information is gathered by working with our allied professional across the state of Nebraska, through a monitoring program, the PMT system, and coordinating meetings our program works to identify the gaps. The result of this collaboration is assisting the victim services agencies by either adjusting current grant scope to provide more effective services or in the next grant cycle fund activities that will address these gaps.

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

During this reporting period the Director would periodically report to the Governor's office outcome measures regarding timely payments and additional projects that the division has undertaken to improve victim services across the state.