# **AL Annual State Performance Report**

### **Victim Assistance Formula Grant Program**

**Reporting Period:** [Oct 1, 2020 to Sept 30, 2021]

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

OVC VOCA Assistance Funds				
	2018-V2-GX-0027	2019-V2-GX-0018	2020-V2-GX-0013	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00578-ASSI
Federal Award Amount	\$49,343,117.00	\$33,390,665.00	\$24,748,443.00	\$15,484,334.00
Total Amount of Subawards	\$46,292,335.00	\$16,257,802.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Number of Subawards	99	60	0	0
Administrative Funds Amount	\$2,467,155.00	\$1,669,533.00	\$1,237,420.00	\$0.00
Training Funds Amount	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Balance Remaining	\$583,627.00	\$15,463,330.00	\$23,511,023.00	\$15,484,334.00

Subgrantee Organization Type 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.					
Type of Organization	2018-V2-GX-0027	2019-V2-GX-0018	2020-V2-GX-0013	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00578-ASSI	
<b>Government Agencies Only</b>	5	2	0	0	
Corrections	0	0	0	0	
Courts	0	0	0	0	
Juvenile Justice	0	0	0	0	
Law Enforcement	0	0	0	0	
Prosecutor	3	0	0	0	
Other	2	2	0	0	
Nonprofit Organization Only	93	58	0	0	
Child Abuse Service organization (e.g., child advocacy center)	42	35	0	0	
Coalition (e.g., state domestic violence or sexual assault coalition)	1	0	0	0	
Domestic and Family Violence Organization	18	11	0	0	
Faith-based Organization	0	0	0	0	
Organization Provides Domestic and Family Violence and Sexual Assault Services	9	0	0	0	
Organization by and/or for underserved victims of crime (e.g., drunk driving, homicide, elder abuse)	4	6	0	0	
Sexual Assault Services organization (e.g., rape crisis center)	11	2	0	0	
Multiservice agency	3	1	0	0	
Other	5	3	0	0	

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Federally Recognized Tribal Governments, Agencies, and Organizations Only	0	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	0	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	1	0	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	0	0	0	0
Total Number of Subawards	99	60	0	0

<sup>\*</sup>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 n	ot unique			
	2018-V2-GX-0027	2019-V2-GX-0018	2020-V2-GX-0013	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00578-ASSI
A. Continue a VOCA-funded victim project funded in a previous year	89	59	0	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	9	1	0	0
D. Start up a new <b>Native American</b> victim services project	0	0	0	0
E. Expand or enhance an existing <b>Native American</b> project	0	0	0	0

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VOCA and Match Funds A single SAR can select multiple service types. Numbers are not unique						
	2018-V2-GX-0027	2019-V2-GX-0018	2020-V2-GX-0013	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00578-ASSI		
A.INFORMATION & REFERRAL	96	59	0	0		
B.PERSONAL ADVOCACY/ACCOMPANIMENT	87	52	0	0		
C.EMOTIONAL SUPPORT OR SAFETY SERVICES	93	59	0	0		
D.SHELTER/HOUSING SERVICES	41	21	0	0		
E.CRIMINAL/CIVIL JUSTICE SYSTEM ASSISTANCE	82	54	0	0		
F. ASSISTANCE IN FILING COMPENSATION CLAIMS	99	59	0	0		

Priority and Underserved R	equirements			
Priority Area	2018-V2-GX-0027	2019-V2-GX-0018	2020-V2-GX-0013	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00578-ASSI
Child Abuse				
Total Amount	\$13,978,402.00	\$5,649,598.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	28.00 %	17.00 %		
<b>Domestic and Family Violen</b>	ce			
Total Amount	\$14,465,559.00	\$5,554,833.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	29.00 %	17.00 %		
Sexual Assault				
Total Amount	\$6,447,589.00	\$875,733.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	13.00 %	3.00 %		
Underserved				
Total Amount	\$11,400,047.00	\$4,172,554.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
% of Total Federal Award	23.00 %	12.00 %		

Budget and Staffing				
Staffing Information	2018-V2-GX-0027	2019-V2-GX-0018	2020-V2-GX-0013	2021-15POVC-21-GG-00578-ASSI
Total number of paid staff for all subgrantee victimization program and/or services	1528	486		
Number of staff hours funded through this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	1777764	751088		
Total number of volunteer staff supporting the work of this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	6188	3672		
Number of volunteer hours supporting the work of this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	1167576	87872		

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### AGGREGATED SUBGRANTEE PERFORMANCE MEASURE DATA

Victimization Type	Number of Subgroutes	Number of Individuals Who Actually Received Services Based on a Presenting Victimization					
Victimization Type	Number of Subgrantees Indicating Intent to Serve This Victim Type	Quarter 1 Total	Quarter 2 Total	Quarter 3 Total	Quarter 4 Total	Per Quarter Average	
Adult Physical Assault (includes Aggravated and Simple Assault)	31	1972	2082	2525	2695	2318	
Adult Sexual Assault	1	1679	1554	1567	1797	1649	
Adults Sexually Abused/Assaulted as Children	41	546	332	506	328	428	
Arson	8	17	90	83	71	65	
Bullying (Verbal, Cyber or Physical)	36	252	226	329	350	289	
Burglary	10	2700	1967	4051	6153	3717	
Child Physical Abuse or Neglect	75	2678	2674	2942	2924	2804	
Child Pornography	58	203	260	246	271	245	
Child Sexual Abuse/Assault	1	5801	6320	5668	5020	5702	
Domestic and/or Family Violence	7	10235	10330	10886	10263	10428	
DUI/DWI Incidents	1	193	222	201	234	212	
Elder Abuse or Neglect	21	357	302	321	422	350	
Hate Crime: Racial/Religious/Gender/ Sexual Orientation/Other (Explanation Required)	15	7	13	12	13	11	
Human Trafficking: Labor	25	9	10	0	17	9	
Human Trafficking: Sex	1	98	118	140	166	130	
Identity Theft/Fraud/Financial Crime	9	365	506	517	730	529	
Kidnapping (non-custodial)	25	113	60	84	133	97	
Kidnapping (custodial)	23	15	9	9	23	14	
Mass Violence (Domestic/International)	8	1	6	7	5	4	
Other Vehicular Victimization (e.g., Hit and Run)	9	336	214	165	120	208	
Robbery	11	1233	958	716	926	958	
Stalking/Harassment	36	1461	314	1049	1199	1005	
Survivors of Homicide Victims	1	1383	1220	2347	1923	1718	
Teen Dating Victimization	47	51	53	52	59	53	
Terrorism (Domestic/International)	6	8	2	4	5	4	
Other	10	1394	3055	1488	2112	2012	

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	34	34	31	42	262

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Homeless	751	507	967	897	5253
Immigrants/Refugees/Asylum Seekers	209	206	252	326	1157
LGBTQ	282	282	301	388	1178
Veterans	99	68	62	83	1065
Victims with Disabilities: Cognitive/ Physical /Mental	478	605	710	674	5430
Victims with Limited English Proficiency	412	377	421	589	1904
Other	43	332	361	63	606

General Award Information		
Activities Conducted at the Subgrantee Level	Number	Percent
Total number of individuals who received services during the Fiscal Year.	117175	
Total number of anonymous contacts who received services during the Fiscal Year	4085	
Number of new individuals who received services from your state for the first time during the Fiscal Year.	85786	73.21 %
Of the clients who received services, how many presented with more than one type of victimization during the Fiscal Year?	21468	18.32 %
Number of individuals assisted with a victim compensation application during the Fiscal Year.	12210	

Demographics		
Demographic Characteristic of New Individuals Served	Number	Percent
Race/Ethinicity		
American Indian or Alaska Native	129	0.15 %
Asian	284	0.33 %
Black or African American	29268	34.12 %
Hispanic or Latino	3622	4.22 %
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	51	0.06 %
White Non-Latino or Caucasian	46649	54.38 %
Some Other Race	914	1.07 %
Multiple Races	1246	1.45 %
Not Reported	3154	3.68 %
Not Tracked	469	0.55 %
Race/Ethnicity Total	85786	
Gender Identity		
Male	26570	30.97 %
Female	55728	64.96 %
Other	333	0.39 %
Not Reported	2426	2.83 %
Not Tracked	729	0.85 %
Gender Total	85786	
Age		
Age 0- 12	14320	16.69 %
Age 13- 17	7800	9.09 %
Age 18- 24	9075	10.58 %

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Age Total	85786	
Not Tracked	1680	1.96 %
Not Reported	3878	4.52 %
Age 60 and Older	7328	8.54 %
Age 25- 59	41705	48.62 %

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	75	81042	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			A1. Information about the criminal justice process	69398
			A2. Information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.	52419
1.0101141			A3. Referral to other victim service programs	26713
			A4. Referral to other services, supports, and resources (includes legal, medical, faith-based organizations, address confidentiality programs, etc.)	39668
B. Personal Advocacy/ Accompaniment	66	23819	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			B1. Victim advocacy/accompaniment to emergency medical care	7938
			B2. Victim advocacy/accompaniment to medical forensic exam	1615
			B3. Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment	2848
			B4. Individual advocacy (e.g., assistance in applying for public benefits, return of personal property or effects)	25889
			B5. Performance of medical or nonmedical forensic exam or interview or medical evidence collection	5715
			B6. Immigration assistance (e.g., special visas, continued presence application, and other immigration relief)	263
			B7. Intervention with employer, creditor, landlord, or academic institution	1500
			B8. Child or dependent care assistance (includes coordination of services)	2609
			B9. Transportation assistance (includes coordination of services)	7199
			B10. Interpreter services	1612
			Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			C1. Crisis intervention (in-person, includes safety planning, etc.)	24996
			C2. Hotline/crisis line counseling	15506
C. Emotional Support or Safety	72	39493	C3. On-scene crisis response (e.g., community crisis response)	1196

Services			C4. Individual counseling	43906
			C5. Support groups (facilitated or peer)	3427
			C6. Other Therapy (traditional, cultural, or alternative healing; art, writing, or play therapy, etc.)	5588
			C7. Emergency financial assistance	3085
	30	3903	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
D. Shelter/ Housing			D1. Emergency shelter or safe house	38488
Services			D2. Transitional housing	13523
			D3. Relocation assistance (includes assistance with obtaining housing)	658
	58	69605	Enter the number of times services were provided in each subcategory.	0
			E1. Notification of criminal justice events	76443
			E2. Victim impact statement assistance	4974
			E3. Assistance with restitution	30903
			E4. Civil legal assistance in obtaining protection or restraining order	5548
E. Criminal/ Civil Justice System			E5. Civil legal assistance with family law issues	8154
Assistance Assistance			E6. Other emergency justice-related assistance	2039
			E7. Immigration assistance	767
			E8. Prosecution interview advocacy/accompaniment	31768
			E9. Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment	10187
			E10. Criminal advocacy/accompaniment	44450
			E11. Other legal advice and/or counsel	9411

### 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 period?	the reporting			
Yes	0			
No	1			

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#### 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.

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs' Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Division did not have any notable program policy changes relating to the administration of VOCA Victim Assistance grant funds.

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

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs' Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Division did not have any notable earned media coverage during the reporting period. Any earned media has been derived through the Governor's announcement of grant awards to local service providers. These announcements are regularly published through, local and state, media sources.

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

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs' Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Division does not provide direct response or services to crime victims. If our staff is contacted by a crime victim, we refer them to the appropriate resources based on information available.

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

The most notable issue that prevented victims from receiving services was the 10% reduction in funding to local programs. All programs were forced to manage this cut in funding. For some that meant a loss of staff, for others it meant the closure of offices, regardless of the change programs had to make decisions that affected their capacity to provide services and victims experienced a lesser ability to receive services. Undoubtedly the reduction in VOCA Victim Assistance funding forced some victims to not receive services.

# 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.

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs' Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Division requires subrecipients to submit Memorandums of Understanding (MOU) to demonstrate coordination among local communities in providing services to crime victims. These MOUs are usually between subrecipients and one or more local agencies outlining the efforts used to coordinate and improve the services provided in that community. Within the MOU, each participating agency describes their organization and the services they will provide for each other. These MOUs are a way to show how all the agencies benefit each agency's overall mission and how when combined they can better serve victims in the area. MOUs allow us to see the collaborative efforts that take place at the local level with agencies that provide services to crime victims. In addition to requiring the applicant to maintain MOUs with other agencies, we encourage agencies to allocate project funding to establish and strengthen community responses to victims of crime.

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

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs' Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Division does not conduct activities which directly impact the delivery of services to victims of crime.

# 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 Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs' Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Division (LETS) administered VOCA Victim Assistance funds to 110 projects during the 2020-2021 grant period. The projects range from treating child victims, victims of domestic violence, victims of sexual assault, and many other types of victims who are typically overlooked and underserved. In addressing the child abuse priority area, LETS funds child advocacy centers that work with physically and sexually abused children or victims who are assaulted as children as they overcome physical, emotional, and sexual abuse. A few of the services that subrecipients provide to victims are therapy. forensic interviews, medical exams, court assistance, relocation, and family counseling. In addressing the domestic assault priority area, LETS awards funds to domestic violence agencies and shelters that provide services to domestic assault victims. The majority of VOCA Victim Assistance funding, for this priority area, goes towards domestic violence shelters. The shelters work with men and women who are victims of domestic violence or in dangerous relationships. Services for domestic assault victims include but are not limited to emergency shelter, transitional housing, counseling, safety planning, support groups, advocacy, legal assistance, crisis response, crisis hotline services, and referrals. In addressing the sexual assault priority area, LETS awards funds to sexual assault programs who work with victims who have been affected by sexual abuse. Subrecipients provide a number of services such as forensic exams, medical assistance, support groups, counseling, advocacy, and educational outreach. In addressing the underserved priority area, medical assistance, support groups, counseling, advocacy, and educational outreach. In addressing the underserved priority area, LETS awarded funds to a variety of underserved and special projects. One project is Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD), MADD is an organization that works with victims who have been affected by under the influence drivers. They work to provide services to these victims such as advocacy, helping with compensation forms, and assisting them in court hearing. VOCAL and Wiregrass Angel House are VOCA Victim Assistance funded projects that work with family members of homicide victims. They provide services to these victims to include crime scene clean up, shelter before court hearings, attending court hearings, and counseling. Hispanic Interest Coalition of Alabama and AshaKiran are organizations that focus on assisting crime victims of different nationalities, specifically Hispanic victims and East Asian victims, respectively. A few of the services these organizations provide include medical assistance, advocacy, outreach, interpretation services, emergency shelter, immigration services, and other support. The State Department of Human Resources provides services to elder abuse victims by providing short-term supervision and out-of-home placements for victims. We funded a non-profit agency that specifically serves victims of human trafficking. This agency provides emergency shelter, counseling, safety planning, support groups, advocacy, legal assistance, crisis response, crisis hotline services, and referrals.

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

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs' Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Division requires subrecipients to provide services to victims of federal crimes on the same basis of victims of state/local crimes. Several agencies continue to coordinate and operate with federal organizations to offer their facilities and their services to federal crime victims. Several subrecipients are members of local Human Trafficking Task Forces and coordinate with local military bases to provide services. Agencies have aided cases involving electronic solicitations, child pornography, and other internet crimes. Subrecipients continue to work with federal law enforcement and attorney's offices to provide sensitivity training and collaborative efforts to support victims of federal crimes.

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

The biggest threat to crime victim services is the reduction in VOCA Victim Assistance funding. Overall funding for programs was reduced by 10% during the period. With estimates they we will need to cut programs by at least 10% each of the next several years. The increases in capacity and services provided, due to the increase in VOCA Victim Assistance funding, will diminish over the coming years. The passage of the VOCA Fix signifies a tremendous long-term fix for crime victim services. However, without an immediate increase in VOCA Victim Assistance funding to states, programs will have less capacity and victims will experience lesser availability of services.

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

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs' Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Division did not experience any major staffing retention issues.

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

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs' Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Division issues request for proposals to agencies seeking to provide services to victims of crime. We directly target our solicitations to interested parties as well as provide this information on our public website. ADECA encourages subrecipients to reach out to other local agencies who serve crime victims about the availability of VOCA funding.

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

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs' Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Division attempts to attract new and unique organizations from across the State and provide them with information on the background and availability of VOCA Victim Assistance funding. We aim for agencies that serve populations, which as a state, have not been previously funded. We continue to fund several culturally specific agencies whose mission is dedicated to serving marginalized populations. Several local agencies have made changes to their programs to improve service delivery to marginalized populations. Unfortunately, due to the reductions in VOCA funding, we were unable to fund any new organizations during the reporting period.

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

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs' Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Division believes in local leadership with State partnership. This means we entrust our subrecipients and local communities to identify gaps in services at the local level. Through this funding, agencies will be able to address their self-identified, local needs.

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

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs' Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Division reports the number of victims served on a quarterly basis to a Legislative Oversight Committee.

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