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Board of County Commissioner
Clackamas County

Members of the Board:

Approval to Apply for 2022-2025 STOP VAWA Formula Competitive Grant

Purpose/Outcomes	The goal of the grant funds is the development and implementation of effective law enforcement and prosecution strategies to combat violence crimes against women by encouraging states and localities to restructure and strengthen the criminal justice systems response to be proactive in addressing violence against women, drawing on the experience of all the participants in the system, including the advocacy community.
Dollar Amount and Fiscal Impact	Dollar amount still to be determined but could be up to \$400,000 and no General funds will be used to support this program.
Funding Source	The Oregon Department of Justice Crime Victim's Services and Support Division (CVSSD) is the State Administrative Agency for the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) grant programs as authorized by ORS 147.231.
Duration	Effective January 1, 2023 through December 21, 2025
Previous Board Action/Review	None
Strategic Plan Alignment	Activities and expenses will support and enhance services to victims of crime with a specific focus on victims from traditionally marginalized communities. This is part of the DA-VAP Strategic Plan to provide advocacy, consultation, and connect crime victims and their families to services. Advocating for crime victims' constitutional rights, including the right to a meaningful role throughout their case.
Counsel Review	N/A – Federal Grant application and working with Matt Westbrook in Finance.
Procurement Review	N/A
Contact Person	Carrie Walker, Victim Assistance Director for the DA's Office
Contract No.	N/A

BACKGROUND:

As a result of the 1983 Oregon Legislature, ORS 147.227 mandates that county prosecution-based Victim Assistance Programs (VAP) statutorily provide the following core services to assist victims of crime under the funding guidelines of the Unitary Assessment funding:

- Notify victims of their Victim Rights under the Oregon Constitution and Statutes
- Inform victims, upon request, of the status of the criminal case involving the victim
- Provide advocacy for victims as they move through the criminal justice system
- Assist victims in the preparation of restitution documents
- Prepare victims for court hearings/grand jury/trials/sentencing
- Involve victims in the decision-making process in the criminal justice system



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- Inform victims of the processes to request the return of property held as evidence
- Assist victims with the logistics related to court appearances
- Assist victims of crime in the preparation and submission of Crime Victim Compensation Program (CVCP) applications to the Department of Justice

In addition to the mandated core services listed above, the Clackamas County DA-VAP also provides essential, sometimes lifesaving, support to victims of crime such as:

- Immediate and long-term safety planning
- Crisis intervention and ongoing emotional support
- Assistance in obtaining protective orders
- Referrals for counseling and other community resources
- Crime scene response with law enforcement
- Call out response to hospital emergency departments for forensic medical exams
- Support for victims regardless of the prosecutorial merits of the case
- Advocacy while navigating the criminal justice system, both pre and post adjudication.

The Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Formula Grant Program, created by the Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2013 (VAWA 2013), under federal statutory authority (42 U.S.C. § 14043g) from the United States Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) encourages the development and implementation of effective law enforcement and prosecution strategies to combat violence crimes against women. Federal VAWA funds are passed through the Oregon Department of Justice to encourage states and localities to restructure and strengthen the criminal justice systems response to be proactive in addressing violence against women, drawing on the experience of all the participants in the system, including the advocacy community.

RECOMMENDATION:

I respectfully recommend that the Board approve this request to apply for the 2022-2025 STOP Violence Against Women Formula Competitive Grant.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "JDW", is written over a horizontal line.

John D. Wentworth
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District Attorney's Office

Financial Assistance Application Lifecycle Form

Use this form to track your potential award from conception to submission.

Sections of this form are designed to be completed in collaboration between department program and fiscal staff.

**** CONCEPTION ****

Section I: Funding Opportunity Information - To be completed by Requester

Award type: Direct Appropriation (no application)
 Subrecipient Award Direct Award
 Award Renewal? Yes No

Lead Department & Fund #: _____

If renewal, complete sections 1, 2, & 4 only. If Direct Appropriation, complete page 1 and Dept/Finance signatures only.
 If Disaster or Emergency Relief Funding, EOC will need to approve prior to being sent to the BCC

Name of Funding Opportunity: _____

Funding Source: Federal State Local

Requestor Information (Name of staff person initiating form): _____

Requestor Contact Information: _____

Department Fiscal Representative: _____

Program Name and prior project # (please specify): _____

Brief Description of Project:

Name of Funding Agency: _____

Notification of Funding Opportunity Web Address:

OR

Application Packet Attached: Yes No

Completed By: _____

Date

**** NOW READY FOR SUBMISSION TO DEPARTMENT FISCAL REPRESENTATIVE ****

Section II: Funding Opportunity Information - To be completed by Department Fiscal Rep

Competitive Application	Non-Competing Application	Other	
CFDA(s), if applicable: _____		Funding Agency Award Notification Date: _____	
Announcement Date: _____		Announcement/Opportunity #: _____	
Grant Category/Title: _____		Funding Amount Requested: _____	\$400,000 (maximum)
Allows Indirect/Rate: _____		Match Requirement: _____	
Application Deadline: _____		Other Deadlines: _____	
Award Start Date: _____		Other Deadline Description: _____	
Award End Date: _____			
Completed By: _____		Program Income Requirement: _____	
Pre-Application Meeting Schedule: _____			

Additional funding sources available to fund this program? Please describe: _____

How much General Fund will be used to cover costs in this program, including indirect expenses? \$0.00

How much Fund Balance will be used to cover costs in this program, including indirect expenses? \$0.00

In the next section, limit answers to space available.

Section III: Funding Opportunity Information - To be completed at Pre-Application Meeting by Dept Program and Fiscal Staff

Mission/Purpose:

1. How does the grant/funding opportunity support the Department and/or Division's Mission/Purpose/Goals?

2. What, if any, are the community partners who might be better suited to perform this work?

3. What are the objectives of this funding opportunity? How will we meet these objectives?

4. Does the grant/financial assistance fund an existing program? If yes, which program? If no, what is the purpose of the program?

Organizational Capacity:

1. Does the organization have adequate and qualified staff? If no, can staff be hired within the grant/financial assistance funding opportunity timeframe?

2. Are there partnership efforts required? If yes, who are we partnering with and what are their roles and responsibilities?

3. If this is a pilot project, what is the plan for sunseting the project and/or staff if it does not continue (e.g. making staff positions temporary or limited duration, etc.)?

4. If funded, would this grant/financial assistance create a new program, does the department intend for the program to continue after initial funding is exhausted? If yes, how will the department ensure funding (e.g. request new funding during the budget process, supplanted by a different program, etc.)?

Collaboration

1. List County departments that will collaborate on this award, if any.

[Empty box for collaboration details]

Reporting Requirements

1. What are the program reporting requirements for this grant/funding opportunity?

[Empty box for program reporting requirements]

2. How will performance be evaluated? Are we using existing data sources? If yes, what are they and where are they housed? If not, is it feasible to develop a data source within the grant timeframe?

[Empty box for performance evaluation details]

3. What are the fiscal reporting requirements for this funding?

[Empty box for fiscal reporting requirements]

Fiscal

1. Are their other revenue sources required, available, or will be used to fund the program? Have they already been secured? Please list all funding sources and amounts.

[Empty box for revenue sources]

2. For applications with a match requirement, how much is required (in dollars) and what type of funding will be used to meet it (CGF, In-kind, local grant, etc.)?

There is a 25% match requirement which will be accomplished through volunteer hours.

3. Does this grant/financial assistance cover indirect costs? If yes, is there a rate cap? If no, can additional funds be obtained to support indirect expenses and what are those sources?

N/A

Other information necessary to understand this award, if any.

This grant will fund one part-time (under 29 hours/week) limited-term web design position and one full-time (around 32 hours/week) limited-term positions. These will be new positions within our office and will need to be approved and added.

Program Approval:

Carrie Walker

Name (Typed/Printed)

Date

Signature

**** NOW READY FOR PROGRAM MANAGER SUBMISSION TO DIVISION DIRECTOR ****

****ATTACH ANY CERTIFICATIONS REQUIRED BY THE FUNDING AGENCY. COUNTY FINANCE OR ADMIN WILL SIGN.****

Section IV: Approvals

DIVISION DIRECTOR (or designee, if applicable)		
Carrie Walker	08/31/22	<i>Carrie Walker</i>
Name (Typed/Print)	Date	Signature

DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR (or designee, if applicable)		
John D. Wentworth	08/31/22	<i>[Signature]</i>
Name (Typed/Print)	Date	Signature

FINANCE ADMINISTRATION		
Patrick Williams	9/1/22	<i>Patrick Williams</i>
Name (Typed/Print)	Date	Signature

ECCMMA BOARD APPROVAL (DISASTER OR EMERGENCY RELIEF APPLICATIONS ONLY)		
Name (Typed/Print)	Date	Signature

Section V: Board of County Commissioners/County Administration

(Required for all grant applications. If your grant awards must be approved by the Board on their weekly consent agenda regardless of amount per local budget law 294.338.)

For applications less than \$150,000:

COUNTY ADMINISTRATION	Approved: <input type="checkbox"/>	Denied: <input type="checkbox"/>
Name (Typed/Print)	Date	Signature

For applications greater than \$150,000 or which otherwise require BCC approval:

BCC Agenda # Date

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Policy Session Date

County Administration

County Administration: re-authorized departmental full approval.
Departmental budget.