

Victims Services Quarterly Conversation #24

July 16, 2024



DCJS

Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services

VS Quarterly Conversations

- Held beginning of each quarter
- Mix of specific topics & discussion items
- DCJS & VS announcements
- Q&A
- *NEW* “Tools-You-Can-Use”
- *NEW* “Featured Resource”

Tools-You-Can-Use

Community Tool Box

<https://ctb.ku.edu/en>

Applying for Grants Toolkit:

<https://ctb.ku.edu/en/applying-for-grants>

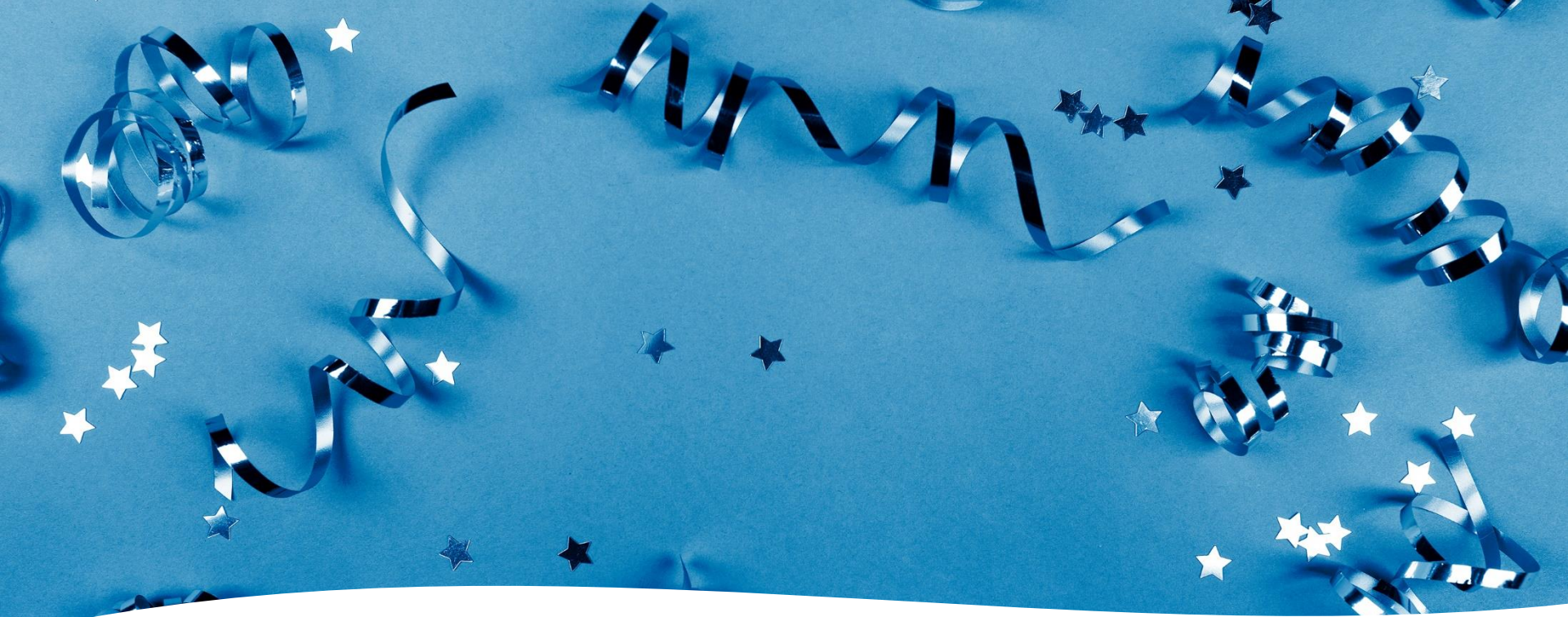


DCJS & Victims Services Team Announcements



Congratulations to
Andi Martin

New
Sexual & Domestic
Violence Initiatives
Supervisor



Congratulations & Welcome to
Wendy Lohr Hopp

New
Grants Administration Director

Victims Crisis Assistance & Response Team (VCART)

- VCART Family Assistance Center (FAC) Planning Regional Workshops for victim witness, emergency managers, community services boards, and other key agencies:
 - Region 1- July 23rd in Hopewell
 - Region 4- August 5th at Wise UVA
 - Region 4- August 6th at Wytheville Community College
 - Region 6- August 7th in Blacksburg
 - Region 6- August 8th in Buena Vista
- Advanced Crisis Response Team Training scheduled for September 9-11, 2024. More information coming soon.

SDV Program Professional Standards

- The Professional Standards Committee has approved the revised Professional Standards Manual. An information session to discuss the changes was held on July 10th.
- An information session regarding the Guidelines for Processes and Procedures will be held tomorrow.
- Hanover Safe Place has been fully accredited as a dual agency.
- The Team is currently evaluating six more agencies for accreditation.
- A new round for accreditation applications will open in September. More information will be coming soon.

State Trafficking Response Team

Upcoming In-Person Training

- Sexual Exploitation Treatment and Training Services (SETTS)
 - September 16 – 20 in Fredericksburg

Upcoming Virtual Training

- Human Trafficking Training for Hotel Employees
 - Translated versions in Bengali, Gujarati, and Hindi
- Human Trafficking Awareness for College Students
- Human Trafficking 101

Victims Services Grant Management Reminders

Grant Management

Successful grant management begins and ends with a firm understanding of the grant requirements and the ability to demonstrate compliance with those requirements.

OGMS Reminders

- Registration
- Award Acceptance
- Dashboard Alerts
 - Add to your Safe Sender List:
VAgrantsDCJS@mail.webgrantscloud.com
 - Check Alert History
- Grant Components
- Technical Assistance: ogmssupport@dcjs.virginia.gov
- Resources: [OGMS Training & Resources | Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services](#)

OGMS Grant Components

☰ Grant Components	
The grant forms appear below. You can define your own alerts in the Alerts section	
Component	Last Edited
General Information	Nov 7, 2019 1:04 PM - System Administrator
Claims	Oct 8, 2019 1:02 PM - System Administrator
Encumbrances	-
Status Reports	Oct 8, 2019 1:05 PM - System Administrator
Contract Amendments	Oct 8, 2019 1:06 PM - System Administrator
Site Visits	Oct 8, 2019 1:07 PM - System Administrator
Contract	Oct 10, 2019 2:16 PM - System Administrator
Correspondence	-
Grid Budget	Oct 8, 2019 1:00 PM - System Administrator
Funding Opportunity	
Application	

Grant Management Resources

- For instructional guides, sample forms, policies, documents and more, please visit the following page: [Grant Management Resources | Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services](#)
- For tips on effective and efficient grant management, view the following presentation:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oS1c7101X08>
- For questions regarding your DCJS grant, contact your assigned grant monitor.

Q&A with DCJS Grant Monitors

Do you have questions regarding your DCJS Victims Services grants? Please join your Hampton Roads Grant Monitor, Dione Bassett, and Victims Services Grant Monitoring Team Supervisor, Amia Barrows, at the Norfolk Public Library to discuss your grant management questions.

Monday, August 5, 2024, 10:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

Register in advance:

dcjs.virginia.gov/eventRegistration/register.cfm?eventid=3687

Grantee Orientation

DCJS Victims Services Grant Management Orientation

Occurs on the 2nd Friday of each month

Next Session:

Friday, August 9, 2024, 1:00 -2:30 P.M.

Register in advance:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_0GCu3fb5SZC2j0gCAWvZkQ

Questions?



VSQC

Featured Resource

**This does not indicate an endorsement by DCJS or the DCJS Victims Services Team.*

Resource

IMPLEMENTATION GUIDE

OVW Special Condition on Workplace-Related Sexual Misconduct & Domestic/Dating Violence

Info & Introduction:

<https://nnedv.org/resources-library/ovw-special-condition-workplace-sexual-misconduct-dating-violence/>

Resource Guide:

<https://nnedv.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/OVWSpecialConditionImplementationGuideFINAL.pdf>

Victims Services Grant Program Announcements

DCJS Victims Services Grant Programs

as of July 1, 2024

1. American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) – noncompetitive
2. Improving Criminal Justice Responses (ICJR)
3. Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP)
4. Victim Witness Grant Program (VWGP)
5. Victims Services Grant Program (VSGP) – competitive
6. Victims Services Grant Program (VSGP) – noncompetitive
7. VSTOP
8. Virginia Sexual & Domestic Violence Victim Fund (VSDVVF)

VS Grant Program Totals

Funding Source	Grant Program	Grant Cycle	Number of Awards	Total Amount
VOCA, SGF	Victims Services Grant Program (VSGP) - competitive	FY25	32	\$4,134,113
VOCA, SGF	Victims Services Grant Program (VSGP) - noncompetitive for SDV Services	FY25	55	\$15,800,255
Federal	American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) - noncompetitive for SDV Services	FY25	54	\$3,365,679
VOCA, SGF, SSF	Victim Witness Grant Program (VWGP)	FY25	114	\$19,357,329
VAWA	Improving Criminal Justice Responses (ICJR)	FY25	4	\$277,339
VAWA	Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP)	CY24	31	\$990,597
VAWA	VSTOP	CY24	85	\$4,597,608
SGF, SSF	Virginia Sexual & Domestic Violence Victim Fund (VSDVVF) (Discretionary, Prosecution, Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners)	FY25	49	\$2,258,803
SGF (earmark)	Ayuda	FY25	1	\$200,000
SGF (earmark)	Virginia Victim Assistance Network	FY25	1	\$400,000
TOTALS			426	\$51,381,722

Victims of Crime Act (VOCA)

- FFY 2024 VOCA allocations to states were approved; funding is at a 10-year low.
- Federal Crime Victims Fund balances remain concerningly low, but a large deposit is anticipated this fiscal year.
- The Department of Justice Office of the Inspector General may continue to select individual subrecipients to audit (three have been selected so far).

Victim Witness Grant Program (VWGP)

Great news!

Increased SFY 2025 awards are now at the level of SFY 2023 awards.

Victim Witness Grant Program (VWGP)

- Additional State General Funds for Victim Witness Programs were included in the May 2024 final state budget.
- VS and Grants Management staff have been working to finalize increased award amounts and update OGMS budgets.
- VWGP recipients should receive final revised SOGAs this week.
- Prior to obligating or expending the funds, grant recipients are required to allocate the additional funds by submitting a Contract Amendment.

VSDCS Enhancements

7/15/2024 scheduled updates:

- **Progress Report** layout update (correct page breaks between like sections).
- **Notification Updates:** Due date field added to notification for denied progress reports.
- **Terminology** popup updates to mirror federal language.
- **Removal** of the other crimes against persons category.
- **Letter Modification** (spacing for letterhead, standard date, addresses, and phone number formatting).

**Webinar held on 7/12 regarding enhancements.*

Please continue to refer VSDCS technical assistance requests and enhancement requests to VictimsServicesTA@dcjs.virginia.gov

Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Victim Fund (VSDVVF) Grant Program

- SFY 2025:
 - Award Period: July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025
 - Level funding was awarded to eligible applicants
 - VSDVVF Special Conditions and SOGAs can be found in OGMS
 - Please have the appropriate authorized official sign and return the SOGA
 - Ensure compliance with all encumbrances by the due date indicated
- For grant program resources visit:

<https://www.dcjs.virginia.gov/grants/programs/virginia-sexual-and-domestic-violence-victim-fund-grant>

Victims Services Grant Program (VSGP) SFY 2024

- VSGP SFY 2024 ended 6/30/24.
- 4th Quarter Financial and Status Reports due 7/15/24.
 - This includes PMT data submission.
 - Email Anya.Shaffer@dcjs.virginia.gov and copy your Grant Monitor with any PMT issues.
 - If you are unable to submit the reports on time, submit a reporting extension in the Contract Amendments component of OGMS. Contact your Grant Monitor for questions/assistance.

Victim Services Grant Program (VSGP) SFY 2025 (competitive)

- 32 programs receiving funding for SFY 2025.
- Award letters are found in the correspondence section of awarded grants in OGMS.
- Signed SOGAs are due 60 days from the date of the award letter.
- All recipients have at least one encumbrance. Check the encumbrance tab on your grant in OGMS.
- New Grant Orientation occurred on 7/15. A recording of the training will soon be available. See the funding opportunity linked to your grant in OGMS for a recording link.
- VAdata VSGP – competitive specific option coming soon.

Victim Services Grant Program (VSGP) SFY 2025 Sexual and Domestic Violence Services (noncompetitive)

- 55 programs receiving funding for SFY 2025.
- Award letters are found in the correspondence section of awarded grants in OGMS.
- Signed SOGAs are due 60 days from the date of the award letter.
- All subgrantees have at least one encumbrance. Check the encumbrance tab on your grant in OGMS.
- New Grant Orientation occurred on 7/16. A recording of the training will soon be available. See the funding opportunity linked to your grant in OGMS for a recording link.
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VSGP SFY 2025

Competitive & Noncompetitive

- A PMT orientation is scheduled for 7/25 at 10am.
- This is not required, but intended for any new program staff or anyone who would like a PMT refresher.
- Email your Grant Monitor or Anya.Shaffer@dcjs.virginia.gov for more information.

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) VSGP Restoration, SFY 22-24

- Grants ended 6/30/24.
- Annual Status Reports due 7/15.
- 4th quarter financial reports due 7/15; if this is your final claim, mark it as final in OGMS.
- All final claims are due by 8/14/24.

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) for Sexual and Domestic Violence Services, SFY 25

- 54 programs received funding for SFY 2025.
- ARPA awards allowed for programs to receive funding level to VSGP SFY 2023 awards.
- Award letters are found in the correspondence section of awarded grants in OGMS.
- Signed SOGAs are due 60 days from the date of the award letter.
- New Grant Orientation occurred on 7/16. A recording of the training will soon be available. See the funding opportunity linked to your grant in OGMS for a recording link.
- Change to ARPA SFY 25 grants: **quarterly status reports required**
- VAdata ARPA-specific option will be added soon.

Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP)

- State Fiscal Year 2024 SASP Special Funding Opportunity
 - Ended 6/30/24.
 - Financial Report for 4th Quarter due 7/15/24.
 - Final 6 Month Status Report due 7/15/24.
- Calendar Year 2024 SASP
 - Financial Report for 2nd Quarter due 7/15/24.
 - Annual status reports due 1/15/25.
- Calendar Year 2025 SASP
 - Continuation process is pending notice of our federal award amount for 2024.

Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP) Fall 2024-2025

- DCJS opened a new SASP funding opportunity to support sexual assault services in an underserved area of Virginia (the counties of Amelia, Brunswick, Buckingham, Charlotte, Cumberland, Dinwiddie, Halifax, Lunenburg, Mecklenburg, Nottoway, Powhatan, Prince Edward).
- Funding opportunity closed 7/9/24.
- DCJS anticipates this will be a one-time grant using remaining funds from CY 2023 awards.

VSTOP – CY 2024-2025

- Award Period: 1/1/2024 – 12/31/2025 (24 months).
- VSTOP Special Conditions and SOGAs can be found in OGMS.
- Ensure compliance with all encumbrances by the due date indicated.
- Note reporting requirement changes indicated in recent memo from VSTOP Coordinator, Tierra Williams.
- CY 2024 Annual Status Reports will be completed within the new federal web-based system.
 - **Training to be provided later this year on the federal web-based reporting system.**
- For grant program resources visit:
<https://www.dcjs.virginia.gov/victims-services/grants/violence-against-women-v-stop>

Questions?

