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**OCVS Grants Updates**

**JULY 2018**

[https://www.doj.state.wi.us/ocvs/vawa/ocvs-grant-programs](https://www.doj.state.wi.us/ocvs/vawa/ocvs-grant-programs)

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**Visionary Services for Wisconsin**

**September 20-21, 2018**

Rothschild, WI

Sponsored by the Department of Justice - Office of Crime Victim Services

The Visionary Services for Wisconsin Conference highlights innovative practices for direct victim service programs, both in Wisconsin and across the country. Day One of the conference features inspiring and exciting programs developed to address the unique needs of crime victims. Day Two is divided into two tracks: one for decision-makers, to provide tangible and concrete steps for building organizational capacity, planning for upcoming competitive grant cycles, and more; and another for advocates, focusing on special topics that will grow your advocacy.

For more information and to register: [http://www.cvent.com/d/7gq069](http://www.cvent.com/d/7gq069)

Interested in having a free resource table? For more information: [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VSCResourceTables](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VSCResourceTables)
THANK YOU TO ALL THE PARTICIPANTS FOR MAKING THE FIRST OCVS GRANTS SUMMER REGIONAL MEETINGS A SUCCESS!

The OCVS Grants Team recently completed our circuit of regional meetings, hitting 6 locations and with participation of 174 individuals. The team will be meeting to debrief and review the feedback from evaluations. Stay tuned for the next phase of this project. Round 2 of the OCVS Grants Regional Meetings is coming this FALL!
VOCA
Is your spending on track?

Are you on track to spend your VOCA federal dollars?

Anticipating your upcoming August expenses, please assess your ability to spend your grant. Inform your Grant Manager if you’re spending will be less than your Federal total ($2500 or more).

Are you on track to meet the 20% match requirement for your VOCA Grant?

Now is a good time to review your grant spending and determine if you are going to meet your match requirement (20% of your total Federal expenses). If you see this being a problem, please reach out to your Grant Manager.

Budget Modifications

*Budget Modifications are due no later than 8/31/18. Email your Grant Manager only to let them know that a modification has been submitted. You do not need to contact them with details.

Modification reminders:

1. Ensure ALL calculations are correct and thorough.
2. Ensure that any changes are allowable and reasonable.
3. Staff member changed positions, new title, or staff left the agency:
   3.1. Edit the previous position reflecting salary paid on E-grants and up to last day of employment (you may use the fiscal report as a guide). We cannot “zero” the position or delete it if payments were made on that line.
   3.2. Add new Personnel line and provide new salary and calculations until the end of the grant year.
4. Salary Increase:
   4.1. Edit the description of computation with new salary and calculations
5. Remember to hit “Submit”

If the Project Director or Financial Officer has changed, submit a modification in Egrants to update OCVS of any changes on who is the subgrant contact.
The online OCVS curriculum (CVC/SAFE Fund/CVR) is now available! We hope this option provides flexibility to those who faced obstacles with attending our in-person events. Please see our website to view modules and complete the post-test:
https://www.doj.state.wi.us/content/ocvs-online-curriculum

These dates have been added to the OCVS training calendar and registration is available at the following link:
https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/OCVS2018

There’s still time to register for the upcoming dates:

**Madison**
(In collaboration with WCASA’s SAVAS training)
August 17th, 2018

**Eau Claire**
November 8th, 2018

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The Law Enforcement Response to Elder Abuse:

August 17th in Appleton

www.cvent.com/d/6gqqz8

Shared from the National Clearinghouse on Abuse in Later Life...As the aging population increases, law enforcement officers are responding to an increased number of cases of elder abuse. Too often, elder abuse cases are not recognized or appropriately identified as crimes, which results in inaccurate arrest decisions. Further, inaccurate perceptions about aging, victims, perpetrators, and dynamics/causes of elder abuse can lead to inappropriate or ineffective responses, putting victims at a higher risk of harm. As first responders, law enforcement officers can play a key role in providing an effective response to abuse in later life at the local level. In many cases, law enforcement can use tools already used in domestic violence, stalking, child abuse, and sexual abuse cases to interview victims and gather evidence. Officers can also benefit from learning about abuse in later life and abuse dynamics; appropriate referral resources for intervention and support for older victims; and working collaboratively with other organizations.

This training is open to a multidisciplinary audience including law enforcement professionals, victim advocates, medical providers, prosecutors, and adult protection workers. Topics covered will include elder abuse investigations, dynamics of elder abuse, domestic violence and sexual assault in later life, neglect, financial exploitation, and challenges older victims face when seeking safety.

We look forward to welcoming nationally renowned presenters Prosecutor Tara Patet, Officer Mike LaRiviere, and Shelly Carlson from the Minnesota Elder Justice Center to provide this training.

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Training scholarships!

The VOCA Discretionary Training grant is winding down – please be sure to submit any invoices for scholarships ASAP, and by September 30th at the latest to ensure reimbursement. Details for future scholarship opportunities will be released soon!

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### Quarterly Program and Fiscal Report Due Dates

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**ALL SUBGRANTEES REMINDER:**

*Have you checked your budget lately?*
*Are you spending down your grant the way you projected you would?*
*If you have questions or concerns please contact your Grant Manager for assistance.*

**And remember you can submit a modification any time (up to 30 days before the end of the grant period).**

**SAVS**

Second quarter financial reports and program reports were due in Egrants by July 30, 2018. In addition to the reports, the SAVS workplan should also be submitted to show your progression through the grant cycle. The workplan may also be submitted in Egrants, attached in the program report. Please contact [Courtney Gordon](#) with any questions.
What is the Victim Resource Center (VRC)?

The VRC is a team of Victim Services Specialists housed in the Wisconsin Department of Justice, Office of Crime Victim Services. They specialize in assisting with crime victims’ rights and services. The VRC maintains a toll-free telephone number to provide crime victims and witnesses with the following services:

- Information and referral to available services
- Mediation of rights complaints brought by crime victims and witnesses involving public officials, employees or agencies. (After the VRC concludes the work, a victim may file a formal rights complaint with the WI Crime Victims Rights Board.)
- Help resolving problems with the criminal and juvenile justice system.
- Education and information on victim and witness rights in Wisconsin
- Victim Appellate Notification Services (VANS) alerting crime victims to the outcome of a felony criminal appeal
- Victim/Witness assistance on certain cases prosecuted by DOJ

*Please note: The VRC does not provide legal advice. Additionally, the VRC does not handle family court issues such as child custody, visitation, placement or child support.

To contact the VRC, call the OCVS toll-free line at 1-800-446-6564 and select Option 2 to speak to the VRC. This line is staffed Monday- Friday, 7:45am to 4:30 pm. Additionally, you can email the VRC at ocv@doj.state.wi.us.

New to the VRC:

In March 2018, the Victim Resource Center added two Crime Response Victim Specialists. The Specialists are primarily deployed by the DOJ’s Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) and respond to incidents such as, but not limited to: fatal fires, Officer Involved Deaths (OIDs), homicides, and mass critical incidents. The Crime Response Victim Specialists provide on scene and early victim assistance and work to connect victims with local victim assistance providers and resources. The team is headquartered in Madison, however provides assistance statewide.

The VRC Team from left to right:

- Anne Kessenich - Victim Rights Specialist
- Stephanie Mock - Victim Rights Specialist
- Betsy Mardany - Victim Services Specialist
- Gina Mattheisen - Crime Response Victim Specialist
- Lisa Seidel - Crime Response Victim Specialist
- Hannah Wrobel - Victim Services Specialist