

Domestic Violence Funding Sources & Resources

Federal Funding for Domestic Violence

Office on Violence Against Women Funding Opportunities Page. Includes links to open and closed solicitations at <http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/ovwgrantprograms.htm>. OVW offers a wide variety of grant programs some of which courts are eligible to apply. A sampling includes:

- STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grants to States Program
- Court Training and Improvement Program
- Children Exposed to Violence Grant Program
- Community Defined Solutions to Violence Against Women Program
- Court Appointed Special Advocate Program

In Virginia, the **Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS)** is the state-administering agency for several federal grants, including those listed above as well as others. See their Grants/Funding Opportunities Homepage at <http://www.dcjs.virginia.gov/grants/> Their grant program directory will provide additional information about specific grants at <http://www.dcjs.virginia.gov/grants/directory.cfm>

Office for Victims of Crime (OVC). In accordance with the Victims of Crime Act, OVC offers grants and funding for victim assistance and domestic violence related programs. Grants include: OVC Formula Grants (Victim Compensation, Victim Assistance), OVC Formula Grants (Victim Compensation, Victim Assistance), OVC Discretionary Grants (Federal Crime Victims, Promising Practices, Indian Country, etc.). See <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ovc/fund/welcome.html>

Office of Justice Programs Open Solicitations Page. Provides links to grant opportunities that are currently available, including deadlines, and access to GMS to apply. Grant opportunities include grants from BJA, BJS, NIJ, OVW, etc. and can be found at <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/funding/solicitations.htm>

Office of Justice Programs Funding Homepage. Provides funding resources by topic (i.e. American Indian, Corrections, Courts, Juvenile Justice, Law Enforcement, Victims of Crime, etc.). Also provides links to additional funding resources (i.e. financial guide, FAQ's, the grant process, etc.). See <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/funding/funding.htm>

Virginia-Specific Resources

Family and Children's Trust Fund of Virginia (F.A.C.T.). <http://www.fact.state.va.us/> F.A.C.T. funds are collected and then used to support local family violence prevention, treatment and public awareness service projects provided by public organizations, private non-profit agencies and/or community-based programs, including faith-based organizations. For a list of grant awards, see http://www.fact.state.va.us/pdfs/Intent_to_Award.pdf Contact: Fran Inge, Executive Director (804) 726-7604; fran.inge@dss.virginia.gov

Virginia Department of Health, Division of Injury & Violence Prevention. They provide grants for community-based projects to prevent violence. For current grant funding opportunities, see <http://www.vahealth.org/Injury/community/index.htm>

Verizon Foundation. <http://foundation.verizon.com/> A private source of funding for domestic violence prevention projects. Average grant awards range from \$5,000-\$10,000. See especially their funding goals and guidelines at <http://foundation.verizon.com/grant/guidelines.shtml>

Additional Tools & Resources

Grants.gov. <http://www.grants.gov> is a central source to both find and apply for federal grants. They tutorials, user guides, training materials as well as offer web conferences. Their recently published comprehensive *Grantor User Guide* (October 2009) can be found online at <http://www.grants.gov/assets/GrantorUserGuide.pdf>

The Federal Funding Report Newsletter. National Center for State Courts. A free monthly e-newsletter with links to current funding opportunities, including private sources. To sign up, go to http://www.ncsc.org/Web%20Document%20Library/Publications_Newsletters.aspx

Local/State Funding Report. A subscription e-newsletter from Thompson Publishing at www.thompson.com/sfr that provides details of the latest federal funding programs. To subscribe go to <http://www.thompson.com/public/library.jsp?cat=GRANT>

Grant Solicitation/Alternative Funding Resource Guide. National Center for State Courts. Provides links to a variety of funding sources for criminal justice, domestic violence, families/children, juvenile justice, legal assistance, substance abuse, mental health, and technology. Includes federal and private grant sources, as well as links to grant seeking tools and resources. See <http://www.ncsconline.org/WC/CourTopics/ResourceGuide.asp?topic=GrtSol>

Trujillo, Olga R. and Gretchen Test. *Funding the Work: Community Efforts to End Domestic Violence and Child Abuse.* American Public Human Services Association (2001). A comprehensive report designed to assist communities in identifying potential funding sources for efforts to end domestic violence and child abuse. Also provides suggestions for seeking funding from state and local governments, private foundations, and corporations. See <http://www.thegreenbook.info/documents/fundingstreams.pdf>

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