



**NOTICE OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITY  
(NOFO)  
Fiscal Year 2023**

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**PART 1. Overview Information**

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**Participating Organization:** Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice

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**Funding Opportunity Title:** 2023 STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program (STOP)

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**Announcement Type:** STOP – Subgrants (New, Continuations)

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**Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number:** 16.588 – STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grants

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**Federal Award Identification Number (NAIN):** 15JOVW-23-GG-00576-STOP

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**Federal Award:** \$2,477,300

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**Period of Performance:** January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024  
Twelve (12) Months; Unless Otherwise Noted

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**Funding Opportunity Purpose:** The Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice (LCLE) announces the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program (STOP) supported by the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW).

OVW is a component of the United States Department of Justice (DOJ). Created in 1995, OVW administers grant programs authorized by the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) and subsequent legislation and provides national leadership on issues of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. OVW grants support coordinated community responses to hold offenders accountable and serve victims.

The Services \* Training \* Officers \* Prosecutors (STOP) Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program (STOP Formula Grant Program) is authorized by 34 U.S.C. §§ 10441, 10446–10451, 10454. The Services \* Training \* Officers \* Prosecutors (STOP) Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program (STOP Formula Grant Program) (CFDA 16.588) supports communities, including American Indian tribes and Alaska Native

villages, in their efforts to develop and strengthen effective responses to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to consider and document ways to develop and implement more effective policies, protocols, orders, and services specifically devoted to preventing, identifying, and responding to violent crimes against women. Examples of activities supported by the STOP Program include developing, enlarging, or strengthening programs to address the needs and circumstances of Indian Tribes in dealing with violent crimes against women; developing or improving victim services to underserved populations; providing appropriate services available to victims in culturally-specific communities; offering outreach, support, counseling, and other victim services to older and disabled individuals; developing, enlarging, or strengthening programs to provide services targeting male and female victims whose ability to access traditional services and responses is affected by their sexual orientation or gender identity. The current list of twenty-four (24) STOP Purpose Areas is provided in Part 2, A. Program Description, of this NOFO.

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**Due Dates:** Contact the applicable District Director, Coalition Director, or LCLE Program Manager for Notice of Intent (NOI) Due Dates

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**Notice of Intent:**

- Submit form to the District, Coalition, or LCLE STOP Program Manager for review and selection.
- If selected to continue application process, applicant will receive an invitation to apply to LCLE in Egrants system.
- Applicants that do not comply may be delayed or not accepted for review.

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## **PART 2. Full Text of the Announcement**

### **A. Program Description**

#### **OVW Priority Areas**

In FY 2023, OVW is interested in supporting the priority area(s) identified below. In shaping their strategies for FY 2023, OVW encourages states and territories to develop and support projects that:

1. Advance racial equity as an essential component of ending sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking.
2. Increase access to justice for all survivors of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking, including through exploration of survivor-centered criminal justice system reform.
3. Strengthen efforts to prevent and end sexual assault, including victim services and civil and criminal justice responses.
4. Expand economic justice and financial advocacy for survivors of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking, including as a tool for violence prevention.

5. Improve outreach, services, civil and criminal justice responses, prevention, and support for survivors of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking from underserved communities, particularly LGBTQ and immigrant communities.

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## Purpose Areas

Pursuant to 34 U.S.C. § 10441(b), funds under this program must be used for one or more of the following purposes:

1. Training law enforcement officers, judges, other court personnel, and prosecutors to more effectively identify and respond to violent crimes against women, (including the crimes of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, including the appropriate use of nonimmigrant status under subparagraphs (T) and (U) of section 101 (a)(15) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(15)).
2. Developing, training, or expanding units of law enforcement officers, judges, other court personnel, and prosecutors specifically targeting violent crimes against women, including the crimes of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.
3. Developing and implementing more effective police, court, and prosecution policies, protocols, orders, and services specifically devoted to preventing, identifying, and responding to violent crimes against women, including the crimes of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, as well as the appropriate treatment of victims including implementation of the grant conditions in section 40002(b) of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (34 U.S.C. 12291(b)); [*statewide project*]
4. Developing, installing, or expanding data collection and communication systems, including computerized systems, linking police, prosecutors, and courts or for the purpose of identifying, classifying, and tracking arrests, protection orders, violations of protection orders, prosecutions, and convictions for violent crimes against women, including the crimes of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.
5. Developing, enlarging, or strengthening victim services and legal assistance programs, including domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking programs, developing or improving delivery of victim services and legal assistance to underserved populations, providing specialized domestic violence court advocates in courts where a significant number of protection orders are granted, and increasing reporting and reducing attrition rates for cases involving violent crimes against women, including crimes of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.
6. Developing, enlarging, or strengthening programs addressing the needs and circumstances of Indian tribes in dealing with violent crimes against women, including the crimes of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.
7. Supporting formal and informal statewide, multidisciplinary efforts, to the extent not supported by state funds, to coordinate the response of state law enforcement agencies, prosecutors, courts, victim services agencies, and other state agencies and departments, to violent crimes against women, including the crimes of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. [*statewide project*]

8. Training of sexual assault forensic medical personnel examiners in the collection and preservation of evidence, analysis, prevention, and providing expert testimony and treatment of trauma related to sexual assault.
9. Developing, enlarging, or strengthening programs to assist law enforcement, prosecutors, courts, and others to address the needs and circumstances of individuals 50 years of age and over, individuals with disabilities, and Deaf individuals who are victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, including recognizing, investigating, and prosecuting instances of such violence or assault and targeting outreach and support, counseling, legal assistance and other victim services to such individuals.
10. Providing assistance to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault in immigration matters.
11. Maintaining core victim services and criminal justice initiatives, while supporting complementary new initiatives and emergency services for victims and their families, including rehabilitative work with offenders.
12. Supporting the placement of special victim assistants (to be known as “Jessica Gonzales Victim Assistants”) in local law enforcement agencies to serve as liaisons between victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking and personnel in local law enforcement agencies in order to improve the enforcement of protection orders. Jessica Gonzales Victim Assistants shall have expertise in domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking and may undertake the following activities:
  - A. developing, in collaboration with prosecutors, courts, and victim service providers, standardized response policies for local law enforcement agencies, including the use of evidence-based indicators to assess the risk of domestic and dating violence homicide and prioritize dangerous or potentially lethal cases;
  - B. notifying persons seeking enforcement of protection orders as to what responses will be provided by the relevant law enforcement agency;
  - C. referring persons seeking enforcement of protection orders to supplementary services (such as emergency shelter programs, hotlines, or legal assistance services); and d. taking other appropriate action to assist or secure the safety of the person seeking enforcement of a protection order.
13. Providing funding to law enforcement agencies, victim services providers, and state, tribal, territorial, and local governments (which funding stream shall be known as the Crystal Judson Domestic Violence Protocol Program) to promote:
  - A. the development and implementation of training for local victim domestic violence service providers, and to fund victim services personnel, to be known as “Crystal Judson Victim Advocates,” to provide supportive services and advocacy for victims of domestic violence committed by law enforcement personnel;
  - B. the implementation of protocols within law enforcement agencies to ensure consistent and effective responses to the commission of domestic violence by personnel within such agencies such as the model policy promulgated by the International Association of Chiefs of Police (“Domestic Violence by Police Officers: A Policy of the IACP, Police Response to Violence Against Women Project” July 2003)); and

- C. the development of such protocols in collaboration with state, tribal, territorial and local victim services providers and domestic violence coalitions.

**Note:** Any law enforcement, state, tribal, territorial, or local government agency receiving funding under the Crystal Judson Domestic Violence Protocol Program, and any subgrantee of such an agency, shall **(1)** receive specialized training, on an annual basis, from domestic violence and sexual assault nonprofit organizations on the topic of incidents of domestic violence committed by law enforcement personnel, and **(2)** provide a report to the Department of the protocol(s) adopted in connection with the Crystal Judson Domestic Violence Protocol Program, including a summary of progress in implementing such protocol(s), once every two years. States and territories must notify and provide OVW with a list of subgrantee recipients awarded STOP funds under the Crystal Judson Domestic Violence Protocol Program, and ensure that all subgrantees satisfy the requirements of this paragraph.

14. Developing and promoting state, local, or tribal legislation and policies that enhance best practices for responding to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.
15. Developing, implementing, or enhancing Sexual Assault Response Teams, or other similar coordinated community responses to sexual assault.
16. Developing and strengthening policies, protocols, best practices, and training for law enforcement agencies and prosecutors relating to the investigation and prosecution of sexual assault cases and the appropriate treatment of victims.
17. Developing, enlarging, or strengthening programs addressing sexual assault against men, women, and youth in correctional and detention settings.
18. Identifying and conducting inventories of backlogs of sexual assault evidence collection kits and developing protocols and policies for responding to and addressing such backlogs, including protocols and policies for notifying and involving victims. [*statewide project*]
19. Developing, enlarging, or strengthening programs and projects to provide services and responses targeting male and female victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, whose ability to access traditional services and responses is affected by their sexual orientation or gender identity, as defined in section 249(c) of Title 18 of the United States Code.
20. Developing, enhancing, or strengthening prevention and educational programming to address domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or female genital mutilation or cutting, with no more than five percent (5%) of the amount allocated to a state to be used for this purpose. [*statewide project*]
21. Developing, enhancing, or strengthening programs and projects to improve evidence collection methods for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, including through funding for technology that better detects bruising and injuries across skin tones and related training.
22. Developing, enlarging, or strengthening culturally specific victim services programs to provide culturally specific victim services and responses to female genital mutilation or cutting.
23. Providing victim advocates in State or local law enforcement agencies, prosecutors' offices, and courts to provide supportive services and advocacy to Indian victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

24. Paying any fees charged by any governmental authority for furnishing a victim or the child of a victim with any of the following documents:
- A. A birth certificate or passport of the individual as required by law.
  - B. An identification card issued to the individual by a State or Tribe, that shows that the individual is a resident of the State or a member of the Tribe.

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## **B. Award Information**

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### **Funding Instrument:**

- The Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement will issue subgrant awards.

### **Application Types Accepted:**

- Continuations and New Applicants/Applications.

### **Funds Available:**

- Refer to your appropriate District Director, Coalition Director, or LCLE STOP Program Manager.

### **Award Project Period:**

- Twelve (12) months beginning January 1, 2024, and ending December 31, 2024, unless otherwise noted.

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## **Financial Management and System of Internal Controls**

If selected for funding, the award recipient must:

- Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should be in compliance with guidance in “Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government” issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and the “Internal Control Integrated Framework”, issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).
- Comply with Federal statutes, regulations, the current DOJ Grants Financial Guide and the terms and conditions of the Federal awards.
- Comply with State statutes, regulations, Victim Services Advisory Board and Commission guidelines.
- Evaluate and monitor the non-Federal entity's compliance with statute, regulations and the terms and conditions of Federal awards.
- Take prompt action when instances of noncompliance are identified including noncompliance identified in audit findings.
- Take reasonable measures to safeguard protected personally identifiable information and other information the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity designates as sensitive or the non-Federal entity considers sensitive consistent with applicable Federal, state and local laws regarding privacy and obligations of confidentiality.

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## **C. Eligibility Information**

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### **1. Eligible Applicants**

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Applicants must provide direct intervention and related assistance and services to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

- The term sexual assault includes both assaults committed by offenders who are strangers to the victim/survivor and assaults committed by offenders who are known to, related by blood or marriage to, or in a dating relationship with the victim/survivor.
- The term domestic violence/dating violence applies to any pattern of coercive behavior that is used by one person to gain power and control over a current or former intimate partner or dating partner.
- Stalking is defined as engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to fear for his or her safety or the safety of others, or suffer substantial emotional distress.

**Types of Eligible Agencies:**

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| ❖ Community-Based Organization                     | ❖ Prosecution                      |
| ❖ Court  | ❖ Sexual Assault Program           |
| ❖ Culturally-Specific Community-Based Organization | ❖ Sexual Assault State Coalition   |
| ❖ Domestic Violence Program                        | ❖ Tribal Coalition                 |
| ❖ Domestic Violence State Coalition                | ❖ Tribal Government                |
| ❖ Dual Program (Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault)  | ❖ Tribal Domestic Violence Program |
| ❖ Faith-Based Organization                         | ❖ Tribal Sexual Assault Program    |
| ❖ Government Agency                                | ❖ Unit of Local Government         |
| ❖ Law Enforcement                                  | ❖ University/School                |
| ❖ Probation, Parole, or Other Correctional Agency  |                                    |

**2. Ineligible or Prohibited Applicants**

None

**3. Cost Sharing or Matching**

Match is the dollar amount or value that the subgrantee agrees to contribute to a STOP-funded program. The costs that the recipient incurs in fulfilling its matching or cost sharing requirement are subject to the same requirements as the Federal grant funds. (34 U.S.C. § 10446(f)) (2 C.F.R. Part §200.306)

Allowable cash or in-kind match must include those costs which are allowable according to the program guidance and in compliance with applicable cost principles in 2 C.F.R., Subpart E – Cost Principles (§200.400 – §200.476).

- There is a twenty-five percent (25%) match requirement imposed on grant funds under the STOP Formula Grant Program. A subgrant made under this program may not cover more than seventy-five percent (75%) of the total costs of the project being funded.
- The state is exempted from matching the portion of the state award that is awarded to a victim service provider for victim services or awarded to Tribes.
- Subgrantees must identify the source of the twenty-five percent (25%) non-Federal portion of the project costs and how match funds are used. Grantees may satisfy the required match with either cash or in-kind services.
- Funds or in-kind resources used as match must be directly related to the project goals and objectives.

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- **Types of Match:**
    - Cash Match (also referred to as “hard” match) means the subgrantee’s non-federal cash outlay including the outlay or money contributed to the subgrantee by other public agencies, institutions, private organizations and individuals spent for project-related costs.
    - In-Kind Match (also referred to as “soft” match) means the value of non-cash contributions provided by non-Federal third parties. Third party contributions may be in the form of real property, equipment, supplies, and other expendable property and the value of goods and services directly benefiting and specifically identifiable to the project or program.
    - A combination of both Cash and In-Kind Match is allowable.
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#### **4. Other Requirements**

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- **Background and Fingerprint Checks**

- Any staff person working with populations, including victim advocates, volunteers, secretaries, counselors, etc. who come into contact with vulnerable populations, including victims served by your programs must have had an employment-rated criminal background check conducted to ensure their history is clear. The staff must comply with the most current version of the Louisiana Child Protection Act, LRS 15:587.1 and the Adult Protective Services (APS) Law, LRS 15:1501-1511.

- **Supplanting/Non-Supplanting**

- Federal funds must be used to supplement (add to), enhance or expand existing services for program activities and not replace those funds that have been appropriated for the same purpose.
  - A grant recipient may not use Federal grant funds to defray any costs that the recipient already is obligated to pay.
  - The possibility of supplanting will be the subject of careful application review, possible pre-award review, post-award monitoring, and audit of any finding.
  - If any additional information, assistance with definition, or examples of supplanting is needed, please contact the LCLE STOP Program Manager.
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- **Form for Potential Conflicts of Interest**

- No official or employee of any Subgrant Agency shall participate personally through decisions, approval, disapproval, recommendation, the rendering of advice, investigation, or otherwise in any proceeding, application, request for a ruling or other determination, contract, subgrant, cooperative agreement, claim, controversy, or other particular matter in which subgrant funds (including project income or other funds generated by Federally-funded activities) are used, where to their knowledge, they or their immediate family, partners, organization other than a public agency in which they are serving as an officer, director, trustee, partner, or employee, or any person or organization with whom they are negotiating or has any arrangement concerning prospective employment, has a financial interest, or less than an arms-length transaction.
- Any such person referred to above who acquires personal or financial interest, on or after the effective date of this subgrant, shall immediately disclose his or her interest to the agency in writing through the annual disclosure form or whenever a conflict arises. Thereafter, they shall not participate in any action affecting the work under this subgrant unless LCLE



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determines that, in light of the interest disclosed, their participation in any such action would not be contrary to the public interest.

- In the use of agency project funds, officials or employees of state or local units of government and non-governmental subgrantees shall avoid any action that might result in, or create the appearance of:
  - Using their official position for private gain;
  - Giving preferential treatment to any person;
  - Losing complete independence or impartiality;
  - Making an official decision outside official channels; or
  - Adversely affecting the confidence of the public in the integrity of the government or the project.
- With respect to funded projects, officials or employees of those projects must strictly adhere to all Louisiana ethics and criminal laws, as well as, all applicable Executive Orders.
- On an annual basis, all personnel will be provided a copy of this policy and will be required to complete and sign the acknowledgment and disclosure below. The form can be found at: [Form-for-Potential-Conflicts-of-Interest\\_08\\_29\\_2018.pdf \(la.gov\)](#)
- The purpose of the conflicts of interest policy is to assist all interested parties about what constitutes a conflict of interest, identify, and disclose actual and potential conflicts, and manage conflicts of interest when necessary.
- All information and documentation received and in connection with the services, will be treated with strict confidentiality.
- Conflicts of interest are not necessarily prohibited or harmful; however, full disclosure of all actual and potential conflicts is required.
- Any questions regarding confidentiality obligations and/or conflict of interest will be addressed to the LCLE.
- This policy may be enforced against individual(s) members as described below:
  - All actual and potential conflicts of interests shall be disclosed to the LCLE through the annual disclosure form and/or whenever a conflict arises.
  - The LCLE shall make a determination as to whether a prohibited conflict exists and what subsequent action is appropriate.
  - Subrecipient agency will notify appropriate District(s), if applicable, and LCLE of all conflicts and management plans.

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#### **D. Application and Submission Information**

Potential applicant agencies will first submit a Notice of Intent (NOI) Worksheet to the appropriate District Director, Coalition Director, or LCLE STOP Program Manager (see Page 2 for contact information). The Notice of Intent (NOI) worksheet can be found at: [Grant Funding Announcements – LCLE \(la.gov\)](#).

The District Director, Coalition Director, and/or LCLE STOP Program Manager and Federal Programs Section Manager will review the NOI Worksheets and determine which projects will proceed to the application process. Applicants will receive an invitation to submit the full application on the LCLE Egrants system.

## **What the Notice of Intent (NOI) Worksheet Should Include:**

Complete the NOI Worksheet by providing the information listed below; obtain the authorized official's signature; and, return to the appropriate District Director, Coalition Director, or the LCLE STOP Program Manager.

- Applicant Agency – legal name of the agency.
- Project Title – Descriptive title of proposed project.
- Section 1. Agency Description Information – please check the box that best describes the agency.
- Section 2. Federal Program Area – enter in the dollar figure associated with each program area. Please enter 0 if no funding is dedicated to an area.
- Section 3. Do not enter information in this section.
- Section 4. Proposed Budget – For each budget item, thoroughly and clearly describe every category of expense listed, demonstrate cost effectiveness and relation to the goals of the project. Please refer to the table below to include your calculations. Include a description of the procurement process for equipment purchases and consultants/contracts. Indirect cost rate agreement (if applicable) should be attached. If the applicant does not have a federally approved cost rate agreement, costs may be allocated in the direct cost categories.
- To review all requirements of the Victim Services Advisory Board Guidelines, go to the LCLE website: [SubGrant Guidance – LCLE \(la.gov\)](http://www.lcle.org/subgrant-guidance).

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## **Prohibited Activities that Compromise Victim Safety and Recovery**

Because of the overall purpose of the program to enhance victim safety and offender accountability, grant funds may not be used to support activities that compromise victim safety and recovery. The following activities have been found to jeopardize victim safety, deter or prevent physical or emotional healing for victims, or allow offenders to escape responsibility for their actions:

- Procedures or policies that exclude victims from receiving safe shelter, advocacy services, counseling, and other assistance based on their actual or perceived age, immigration status, race, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, mental health condition, physical health condition, criminal record, work in the sex industry, relationship to the perpetrator, or the age and/or gender of their children;
- Procedures or policies that compromise the confidentiality of information and privacy of persons receiving OVW-funded services;
- Offering perpetrators the option of entering pre-trial diversion programs or placing batterers in anger management programs;
- Requiring mediation or counseling for couples as a systemic response to domestic violence or sexual assault, or in situations in which child sexual abuse is alleged;
- Requiring victims to report sexual assault, stalking, or domestic violence crimes to law enforcement or forcing victims to participate in criminal proceedings;
- Relying on court-mandated batterer intervention programs that do not use the coercive power of the criminal justice system to hold batterers accountable for their behavior; or
- Supporting policies or engaging in practices that impose restrictive conditions to be met by the victim in order to receive services (e.g., attending counseling, seeking an order of protection).

## **Required Registrations for Applicants**

All agencies are required to provide the following documents:

- LCLE Egrants Organization Registration must be complete before applying for funds.
- IRS Form W-9 (Taxpayer Identification and Certification)
- IRS Form 501C3 (Tax-exempt Status for Non-profit Organizations)
- State of Louisiana Self-Service Request for Vendor only if new agency to be set up for payment from the State of Louisiana. This form can be found at:  
[https://lagoverpvendor.doa.louisiana.gov/irj/portal/anonymous?guest\\_user=self\\_reg](https://lagoverpvendor.doa.louisiana.gov/irj/portal/anonymous?guest_user=self_reg)
- DUNS (Data Universal Numbering System) Number Certificate
- Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) Number Registration and current Expiration Date (SAM.gov)
- CAGE (Commercial and Government Agency) Code Certificate
- SAM (System for Award Management) Number and current Expiration Date (SAM.gov)
- Louisiana Secretary of State Non-Profit Corporation Certificate
- All agencies with a private, non-profit, or non-governmental status are required to procure and maintain adequate and sufficient liability insurance and a certificate of insurance naming LCLE as an additional insurer and should be issued and submitted with the application.

## **New Applicant Agencies**

If the new applicant agencies have not yet demonstrated a record of providing services, they must demonstrate that twenty-five percent (25%) of their overall financial support is from non-federal sources. This cannot be considered part of the required match.

## **Funding Restrictions**

All awards are subject to the terms and conditions, cost principals, and other considerations described in 2 CFR 200: Uniform Guidance – Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principals, and Audit Requirements, OVW Grants Management Financial Guide, Frequently Asked Questions About STOP Formula Grants, Louisiana statutes and LCLE policy.

## **Out-of-Scope Activities**

Research projects are outside the statutory scope of the STOP Formula Grant Program and therefore cannot be supported with program funds.

## **Unallowable Activities**

The following is a list of activities that are unallowable and cannot be supported by OVW STOP Formula Grant Program funding:

- Lobbying
- Fundraising
- Purchase of real property
- Construction
- Physical modifications to buildings, including minor renovations (such as painting or carpeting)

## **Program Assessments**

Applicants may **not** use any OVW funds to conduct research. However, up to three percent of the budget may be allocated for the purpose of assessing the effectiveness of funded activities. For example, funds may be used to conduct pre-and post-testing of training recipients or for victim satisfaction surveys. In conducting such testing or surveys, grantees may not collect, analyze or disseminate any information that would disclose the identity of an individual.

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## E. Application Review Information

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### Criteria

Each application will be evaluated and scored on the NOI Components and the two Budget Components using a 100-point scale by the District or Coalition.

#### 1. Project Summary and Strategy (30 points)

This section should be a succinct summary containing the description of the problem this project seeks to address the project's purpose, the program description, and expected results. Propose a clear and realistic implementation plan to comprehensively address objectives of this Notice of Funding Opportunity. It should also outline the relevant and appropriate main activities.

#### 2. Goals (15 points)

This section should outline the Program Goals and Expected Results for the project.

#### 3. Objectives (15 points)

This section should state clearly defined and quantitatively measurable objectives that support programmatic progress. Please present a brief, work plan including target dates for activities, which reflects the overall program approach and its objectives.

#### 4. Organizational Capacity and Past Performance (20 points)

This section of the application provides information about the applicant organization and any proposed key partners. It provides evidence that the applicant has the ability to successfully carry out the program activities of the grant. Provide a description of the applicant organization – including its general purpose, goals, annual budget (including funding sources), and major past and current activities and projects undertaken. Include a description of all key partners for this project and of the proposed working relationship with them.

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### Budget Components

#### 1. Budget Relevance (10 points)

Budgeted items are obviously necessary to the achievement of the goals and activities as presented in the application.

#### 2. Cost-Effectiveness (10 points)

Applicants should propose expenditures that are reasonable, allowable, and allocable to the proposed activities and reveal their understanding of the 2 CFR 200: Uniform Guidance – Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements.

## F. Award Information

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If an application receives approval from the District Director, Coalition Director, and/or LCLE STOP Program Manager and the Federal Programs Section Manager, the applicant will be invited to submit the full application through the LCLE Egrants system. The application will then be presented to the Commission on Law Enforcement for final approval after which time an award will be issued. Awardees are expected to comply with all special conditions, certified assurances, and will meet the quarterly programmatic and fiscal reporting requirements.

No diminished support policy is presently in effect for all programs, but the Board will reserve the right to approve a program at a reduced level. This will take into account other projects requesting funding and the past ability of the agency to appropriately expend its award funds. Funding is contingent on funds availability, proper subgrant management, meeting goals and objectives, and complying with all requirements. The Board may make recommendations to the Commission to reduce funding or discontinue funding to those agencies not meeting these requirements.

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**G. Contact Information**

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