

Family Violence Prevention & Services Program

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TO: Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) Grantees

SUBJECT: Abbreviated Supplemental Funding Process for Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) Formula Grantees (States, Tribes, and DV Coalitions)

FVPSA CARES Act Supplemental Funding Summary

The [Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security Act \(CARES Act\), P.L. 116-136](#) appropriated \$45,000,000 for the Family Violence Prevention and Services formula grants under the FVPSA for states, Tribes, and state domestic violence coalitions to provide temporary housing, assistance, and supportive services to victims of family, domestic, and dating violence in response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) public health emergency.

The CARES Act also appropriated \$2,000,000 for the National Domestic Violence Hotline to provide remote services in response to the coronavirus public health emergency, of which \$500,000 is expected to be allocated to the StrongHearts Native Helpline.

FVPSA CARES Act Supplemental Funding Allocation

The FVPSA Program determined the award amounts for the CARES Act supplemental funding using the following formula and allocation requirements authorized in accordance with 42 U.S.C. § 10403(a)(2) of the FVPSA.

- 77.5% for States for 56 grantees reaching 1,600 domestic violence programs;
- 10% for Tribes for 144 grantees that reaches 252 Tribes;
- 10% for Domestic Violence Coalitions for 56 grantees; and
- 2.5% for FVPSA Program Administration and Supplemental Award Monitoring.

Match

Congress appropriated CARES Act supplemental funds for FVPSA states, Tribes, DV coalitions, and sub awardees without regard the matching requirements of 42 U.S.C. § 10406(c)(4). **No match is required for these funds.**

Abbreviated CARES Act Supplemental Funding Application Process for FVPSA Grantees

The FVPSA Program is implementing a streamlined application process for all FVPSA formula grantees to receive CARES Act funding. FVPSA CARES Act supplemental grant recipients are required to submit post-award documents related to the funding. Post-award documents consist of a supplemental funding verification statement, a use of funds narrative, SF 424-A budget forms, budget narrative, performance progress reports and financial reports.

In order to receive FVPSA CARES Act funding, FVPSA state administrators, Tribes, and state domestic violence coalitions must submit a brief statement within 30 days of receiving funding. This statement must verify that the agency, Tribe, or coalition is in a position to:

- 1) Use these funds to conduct human service activities related to COVID-19 for services and supports for victims of domestic violence and their dependents; and
- 2) Accept a supplemental award and the terms and conditions for the allowable use of funds; which includes issuing supplemental awards.

Acceptance and implementation of the FVPSA CARES Act Supplemental funding must be in compliance with FVPSA Term and Conditions and the Allowable Use of Funds, available at <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/fysb/grants>. Please note that for the formula grantees, all FVPSA CARES Act Supplemental funding recipients are required to submit a final report by October 31, 2021.

Supplemental Funding Deadlines

- By June 11, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. ET, CARES Act Supplemental Funding Brief Statement must be uploaded to the Online Data Collection System (OLDC) at <http://www.GrantSolutions.gov>. This statement verifies that the agency, Tribe, or coalition is in a position to: 1) use these funds to conduct human service activities related to or affected by COVID-19 in accordance with the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act; and 2) accept a supplemental award.
- By June 11, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. ET, CARES Act Supplemental Funding Budget and Budget Narrative must be uploaded to OLDC. This budget and budget narrative explains how the supplemental funding will be used. Please note that this use of funds must be in alignment with the Allowable Use of Funds for CARES Act funding, available at <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/fysb/grants>.
- By October 31, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. ET, CARES Act Supplemental Funding Final Report must be uploaded to OLDC. This report will detail the implementation and allocation of the FVPSA CARES Act supplemental funding your agency, Tribe, or coalition received.

Questions

If you have any questions please reach out to your FVPSA Federal Project Officer and Rickeya Franklin, FVPSA Formula Grants Program Manager, Rickeya.Franklin@acf.hhs.gov.