



# COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

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To: Criminal Justice Services Board  
From: Kristina Vadas, Victims Services Manager, Division of Programs and Services  
Date: March 19, 2026  
Re: Sexual Assault Services Program, Statewide Hotline Services

Name of Person Presenting: Kristina Vadas, Victims Services Manager

The purpose of the Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP) is to support the establishment, maintenance, and expansion of rape crisis centers and other nongovernmental or tribal programs and projects to assist individuals who have been victimized by sexual assault. SASP funding originates from the U.S. Department of Justice’s Office on Violence Against Women. DCJS developed this specific funding opportunity to support statewide hotline services to assist victims of sexual assault.

Grant Application Review	
# Grants Submitted	2
# Grants Denied	1
# Grants Recommended	1

DCJS Recommendations	
Amount Requested	\$152,570
Amount Denied	\$76,285
Amount Reduced	\$0
Total Amount Recommended	\$76,285

SASP Funding for this award comes from unspent subawards that were made in calendar year 2024. DCJS received a no-cost extension from the federal Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) on these funds in order to support statewide hotline services. The amount of unspent subawards available for this funding opportunity and previously approved by OVW is \$76,285.

As stated in the grant guidelines, DCJS anticipates one award to support statewide hotline services to support victims of sexual assault. Applicants were asked to limit their request to \$76,285. DCJS recommends funding one applicant for their full request. DCJS staff determined the other applicant was not eligible as they did not have experience running a 24-7, statewide crisis line serving sexual assault victims.

Requested items for funding include the following: 1) personnel costs for 24-7, statewide hotline services to victims of sexual assault; 2) supplies needed to create or update sexual assault awareness materials to link survivors to services and resources, including the hotline; 3) consultant costs for interpretation services for a statewide hotline and translation services for awareness materials; and 4) indirect costs in accordance with a federally negotiated indirect cost rate or the de minimis rate.

**In summary, DCJS staff request approval to fund one (1) grant application for the nine-month period, (4/1/2026-12/31/2026), totaling \$76,285, using federal SASP funds allocated for this purpose.**

# SASP -- Grants Committee Recommendations (Cover Report)

## Sexual Assault Services Program Hotline

19-Mar-2026

Application Number	Applicant	Organization Type	Requested DCIS Funds	Requested Local	Requested Total	Recommended DCIS Funds	Recommended Local	Recommended Total
567189	Action in Community Services, Inc. (ACTS)	Non-Profit Organization	\$76,285.00	\$0.00	\$76,285.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
567106	Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Action Alliance	Non-Profit Organization	\$76,285.00	\$0.00	\$76,285.00	\$76,285.00	\$0.00	\$76,285.00
<b>Grant Program Total:</b>			<b>\$152,570.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$152,570.00</b>	<b>\$76,285.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$76,285.00</b>

## SASP -- Grants Committee Recommendations (Summary Report) Sexual Assault Services Program Hotline

19-Mar-2026

Application Number	Applicant	Organization Type	Type of Application	Requested Funding	Recommended Funding	Application Criteria	Grant Project Description
567189	Action in Community Services, Inc. (ACTS)	Non-Profit Organization	New	\$76,285.00	\$0.00	Ineligible	ACTS currently operates a 24/7 sexual assault hotline and advocacy program, with extensive experience serving PWC. In FY25, ACTS provided hotline support to 100 survivors from other Virginia counties. This grant will allow ACTS to expand services beyond PWC, offering confidential crisis response, safety planning, medical and court accompaniment, referrals, and trauma-informed, culturally responsive support for underserved populations, including Hispanic and Spanish-speaking survivors.
567106	Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Action Alliance	Non-Profit Organization	New	\$76,285.00	\$76,285.00	Meets Criteria	The AA is requesting funding support to increase & expand statewide hotline supportive svcs in an effort to meet the increasing needs of SA victims. SASP funding will be used to support hourly pay for 12 PT Crisis Response Svcs who will provide crisis support svcs to victims. Specialists contribute to the continuity of care for crisis services with the goal of enhancing and expanding services to/for SA victims statewide. SASP funding will be used to support language interpretation svcs including translation of new SA awareness outreach materials which will be distributed statewide in an effort to increase awareness around SV. We anticipate assisting 400 victims with this grant funding opp.