

## Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Grant Special Conditions

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### FY2022-23 Victims Services Grant Program (VSGP)

Acceptance of this grant award by the subrecipient (“subgrantee”) constitutes its agreement that it assumes full responsibility for the management of all aspects of the grant and the activities funded by the grant, including assuring proper fiscal management of and accounting for grant funds; assuring that personnel paid with grant funds are hired, supervised and evaluated in accordance with established employment and personnel policies; and assuring that all terms, conditions and assurances submitted with the grant application, and those issued with this award are complied with.

By signing the Statement of Grant Award/Acceptance, the subgrantee agrees to:

- use the grant funds to carry out the activities described in the grant application, as modified by the terms and conditions attached to this award or by subsequent amendments approved by DCJS;
- adhere to the approved budget contained in this award and amendments made to it in accord with these terms and conditions; and,
- comply with all terms, conditions and assurances either attached to this award or submitted with the grant application.

#### **1. Requirements of the award; remedies for non-compliance or for materially false statements**

The conditions of this award are material requirements of the award. Compliance with any certifications or assurances submitted by or on behalf of the subgrantee that relate to conduct during the period of performance also is a material requirement of this award.

Failure to comply with any one or more of these award requirements -- whether a condition set out in full below, a condition incorporated by reference below, or a certification or assurance related to conduct during the award period -- may result in the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) or the Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) taking appropriate action with respect to the subgrantee and the award. Among other things, the OJP and DCJS may withhold award funds, disallow costs, or suspend or terminate the award. The Department of Justice (“DOJ”), including OJP, also may take other legal action as appropriate.

Any materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement to the federal government related to this award (or concealment or omission of a material fact) may be the subject of criminal prosecution (including under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and/or 1621, and/or 34 U.S.C. 10271-10273),

and also may lead to imposition of civil penalties and administrative remedies for false claims or otherwise (including under 31 U.S.C. 3729-3730 and 3801-3812).

Should any provision of a requirement of this award be held to be invalid or unenforceable by its terms, that provision shall first be applied with a limited construction so as to give it the maximum effect permitted by law. Should it be held, instead, that the provision is utterly invalid or -unenforceable, such provision shall be deemed severable from this award.

## **2. Applicability of Part 200 Uniform Requirements**

The Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements in 2 C.F.R. Part 200, as adopted and supplemented by DOJ in 2 C.F.R. Part 2800 (together, the "Part 200 Uniform Requirements") apply to this award.

For more information and resources on the Part 200 Uniform Requirements as they relate to OJP awards and subawards ("subgrants"), see the OJP website at <https://ojp.gov/funding/Part200UniformRequirements.htm>.

Record retention and access: Records pertinent to the award that the recipient (and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier) must retain -- typically for a period of 3 years from the date of submission of the final expenditure report, unless a different retention period applies -- and to which the recipient (and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier) must provide access, include performance measurement information, in addition to the financial records, supporting documents, statistical records, and other pertinent records indicated at 2 C.F.R. 200.333.

In the event that an award-related question arises from documents or other materials prepared or distributed by OJP that may appear to conflict with, or differ in some way from, the provisions of the Part 200 Uniform Requirements, the subgrantee is to contact DCJS promptly for clarification.

## **3. Compliance with DOJ Grants Financial Guide**

References to the DOJ Grants Financial Guide are to the DOJ Grants Financial Guide as posted on the OJP website (currently, the "DOJ Grants Financial Guide" available at <https://ojp.gov/financialguide/DOJ/index.htm> ) including any updated version that may be posted during the period of performance. The recipient (and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier) agrees to comply with the DOJ Grants Financial Guide.

## **4. Reclassification of various statutory provisions to a new Title 34 of the United States Code**

On September 1, 2017, various statutory provisions previously codified elsewhere in the U.S. Code were editorially reclassified to a new Title 34, entitled "Crime Control and Law Enforcement." The reclassification encompassed a number of statutory provisions

pertinent to OJP awards (that is, OJP grants and cooperative agreements), including many provisions previously codified in Title 42 of the U.S. Code.

Effective as of September 1, 2017, any reference in this award document to a statutory provision that has been reclassified to the new Title 34 of the U.S. Code is to be read as a reference to that statutory provision as reclassified to Title 34. This rule of construction specifically includes references set out in award conditions, references set out in material incorporated by reference through award conditions, and references set out in other award requirements.

## **5. Requirements related to "de minimis" indirect cost rate**

A subrecipient ("subgrantee") that is eligible under the Part 200 Uniform Requirements and other applicable law to use the "de minimis" indirect cost rate described in 2 C.F.R. 200.414(f), and that elects to use the "de minimis" indirect cost rate, must advise DCJS in writing of both its eligibility and its election, and must comply with all associated requirements in the Part 200 Uniform Requirements. The "de minimis" rate may be applied only to modified total direct costs (MTDC) as defined by the Part 200 Uniform Requirements.

## **6. Requirement to report potentially duplicative funding**

If the subrecipient ("subgrantee") currently has other active awards of federal funds, or if the subgrantee receives any other award of federal funds during the period of performance for this award, the subgrantee promptly must determine whether funds from any of those other federal awards have been, are being, or are to be used (in whole or in part) for one or more of the identical cost items for which funds are provided under this award. If so, the subgrantee must promptly notify DCJS in writing of the potential duplication, and, if so requested by DCJS, must seek a budget-modification or change-of-project-scope to eliminate any inappropriate duplication of funding.

## **7. Requirements related to System for Award Management and Universal Identifier Requirements**

The subrecipient ("subgrantee") must comply with applicable requirements regarding the System for Award Management (SAM), currently accessible at <https://www.sam.gov/SAM/>. This includes applicable requirements regarding registration with SAM, as well as maintaining the currency of information in SAM.

The subgrantee must maintain a valid DUNS number (a unique nine-digit number used for identifying and keeping track of entities receiving federal funds). Subgrantees must be registered in SAM to receive an award and must maintain an active registration for the entire period of the award.

## **8. Employment eligibility verification for hiring under the award**

### 1. The recipient (and any subrecipient at any tier) must—

A. Ensure that, as part of the hiring process for any position within the United States that is or will be funded (in whole or in part) with award funds, the recipient (or any subrecipient) properly verifies the employment eligibility of the individual who is being hired, consistent with the provisions of 8 U.S.C. 1324a(a)(1) and (2).

B. Notify all persons associated with the recipient (or any subrecipient) who are or will be involved in activities under this award of both—

(1) this award requirement for verification of employment eligibility, and

(2) the associated provisions in 8 U.S.C. 1324a(a)(1) and (2) that, generally speaking, make it unlawful, in the United States, to hire (or recruit for employment) certain aliens.

C. Provide training (to the extent necessary) to those persons required by this condition to be notified of the award requirement for employment eligibility verification and of the associated provisions of 8 U.S.C. 1324a(a)(1) and (2).

D. As part of the recordkeeping for the award (including pursuant to the Part 200 Uniform Requirements), maintain records of all employment eligibility verifications pertinent to compliance with this award condition in accordance with Form I-9 record retention requirements, as well as records of all pertinent notifications and trainings.

### 2. Monitoring

The recipient's monitoring responsibilities include monitoring of subrecipient compliance with this condition.

3. Allowable costs To the extent that such costs are not reimbursed under any other federal program, award funds may be obligated for the reasonable, necessary, and allocable costs (if any) of actions designed to ensure compliance with this condition.

### 4. Rules of construction

#### A. Staff involved in the hiring process

For purposes of this condition, persons "who are or will be involved in activities under this award" specifically includes (without limitation) any and all recipient (or any subrecipient) officials or other staff who are or will be involved in the hiring process with respect to a position that is or will be funded (in whole or in part) with award funds.

## B. Employment eligibility confirmation with E-Verify

For purposes of satisfying the requirement of this condition regarding verification of employment eligibility, the recipient (or any subrecipient) may choose to participate in, and use, E-Verify ([www.e-verify.gov](http://www.e-verify.gov)), provided an appropriate person authorized to act on behalf of the recipient (or subrecipient) uses E-Verify (and follows the proper E-Verify procedures, including in the event of a "Tentative Nonconfirmation" or a "Final Nonconfirmation") to confirm employment eligibility for each hiring for a position in the United States that is or will be funded (in whole or in part) with award funds.

C. "United States" specifically includes the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Virgin Islands of the United States, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

D. Nothing in this condition shall be understood to authorize or require any recipient, any subrecipient at any tier, or any person or other entity, to violate any federal law, including any applicable civil rights or nondiscrimination law.

E. Nothing in this condition, including in paragraph 4.B., shall be understood to relieve any recipient, any subrecipient at any tier, or any person or other entity, of any obligation otherwise imposed by law, including 8 U.S.C. 1324a(a)(1) and (2).

Questions about E-Verify should be directed to DHS. For more information about E-Verify visit the E-Verify website (<https://www.e-verify.gov/>) or email E-Verify at [E-Verify@dhs.gov](mailto:E-Verify@dhs.gov). E-Verify employer agents can email E-Verify at [E-VerifyEmployerAgent@dhs.gov](mailto:E-VerifyEmployerAgent@dhs.gov).

Questions about the meaning or scope of this condition should be directed to DCJS and OJP, before award acceptance.

## **9. Requirement to report actual or imminent breach of personally identifiable information (PII)**

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must have written procedures in place to respond in the event of an actual or imminent "breach" (OMB M-17-12) if it -- 1) creates, collects, uses, processes, stores, maintains, disseminates, discloses, or disposes of "personally identifiable information (PII)" (2 CFR 200.79) within the scope of an OJP grant-funded program or activity, or 2) uses or operates a "Federal information system" (OMB Circular A-130). The subgrantee's breach procedures must include a requirement to report actual or imminent breach of PII to DCJS no later than 24 hours after an occurrence of an actual breach, or the detection of an imminent breach.

## **10. All subawards ("subgrants") must have specific federal authorization**

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable requirements for authorization of any subaward. This condition applies to agreements that -- for purposes of federal grants administrative requirements -- OJP considers a "subaward" (and therefore does not consider a procurement "contract").

The details of the requirement for authorization of any subaward are posted on the OJP web site at <https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/SubawardAuthorization.htm> (Award condition: All subawards ("subgrants") must have specific federal authorization), and are incorporated by reference here.

## **11. Specific post-award approval required to use a noncompetitive approach in any procurement contract that would exceed \$250,000**

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable requirements to obtain specific advance approval to use a noncompetitive approach in any procurement contract that would exceed the Simplified Acquisition Threshold (currently, \$250,000). This condition applies to agreements that -- for purposes of federal grants administrative requirements -- OJP considers a procurement "contract" (and therefore does not consider a subaward).

The details of the requirement for advance approval to use a noncompetitive approach in a procurement contract under an OJP award are posted on the OJP web site at <https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/NoncompetitiveProcurement.htm> (Award condition: Specific post-award approval required to use a noncompetitive approach in a procurement contract (if contract would exceed \$250,000)), and are incorporated by reference here.

## **12. Unreasonable restrictions on competition under the award; association with federal government**

SCOPE. This condition applies with respect to any procurement of property or services that is funded (in whole or in part) by this award, whether by the recipient or by any subrecipient at any tier, and regardless of the dollar amount of the purchase or acquisition, the method of procurement, or the nature of any legal instrument used. The provisions of this condition must be among those included in any subaward (at any tier).

1. No discrimination, in procurement transactions, against associates of the federal government

Consistent with the (DOJ) Part 200 Uniform Requirements -- including as set out at 2 C.F.R. 200.300 (requiring awards to be "manage[d] and administer[ed] in a manner so as to ensure that Federal funding is expended and associated programs are implemented in full accordance with U.S. statutory and public policy requirements") and 200.319(a) (generally requiring "[a]ll procurement transactions [to] be conducted in a manner providing full and open competition" and forbidding practices "restrictive of

competition," such as "[p]lacing unreasonable requirements on firms in order for them to qualify to do business" and taking "[a]ny arbitrary action in the procurement process") -- no recipient (or subrecipient, at any tier) may (in any procurement transaction) discriminate against any person or entity on the basis of such person or entity's status as an "associate of the federal government" (or on the basis of such person or entity's status as a parent, affiliate, or subsidiary of such an associate), except as expressly set out in 2 C.F.R. 200.319(a) or as specifically authorized by USDOJ.

## 2. Monitoring

The recipient's monitoring responsibilities include monitoring of subrecipient compliance with this condition.

## 3. Allowable costs

To the extent that such costs are not reimbursed under any other federal program, award funds may be obligated for the reasonable, necessary, and allocable costs (if any) of actions designed to ensure compliance with this condition.

## 4. Rules of construction

A. The term "associate of the federal government" means any person or entity engaged or employed (in the past or at present) by or on behalf of the federal government -- as an employee, contractor or subcontractor (at any tier), grant recipient or -subrecipient (at any tier), agent, or otherwise -- in undertaking any work, project, or activity for or on behalf of (or in providing goods or services to or on behalf of) the federal government, and includes any applicant for such employment or engagement, and any person or entity committed by legal instrument to undertake any such work, project, or activity (or to provide such goods or services) in future.

B. Nothing in this condition shall be understood to authorize or require any recipient, any subrecipient at any tier, or any person or other entity, to violate any federal law, including any applicable civil rights or nondiscrimination law.

## **13. Requirements pertaining to prohibited conduct related to trafficking in persons (including reporting requirements and OJP authority to terminate award)**

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier must comply with all applicable requirements (including requirements to report allegations) pertaining to prohibited conduct related to the trafficking of persons, whether on the part of subgrantees, or individuals defined (for purposes of this condition) as "employees" of any subgrantee.

The details of the subrecipient's obligations related to prohibited conduct related to trafficking in persons are posted on the OJP web site at

<https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/ProhibitedConduct-Trafficking.htm> (Award condition: Prohibited conduct by subgrantees related to trafficking in persons (including reporting requirements and OJP authority to terminate award)), and are incorporated by reference here.

#### **14. Determination of suitability to interact with participating minors**

SCOPE. This condition applies to this award if it is indicated -- in the application for the award (as approved by DOJ)(or in the application for any subaward, at any tier), the DOJ funding announcement (solicitation), or an associated federal statute -- that a purpose of some or all of the activities to be carried out under the award (whether by the recipient, or a subrecipient at any tier) is to benefit a set of individuals under 18 years of age.

The recipient, and any subrecipient at any tier, must make determinations of suitability before certain individuals may interact with participating minors. This requirement applies regardless of an individual's employment status.

The details of this requirement are posted on the OJP web site at <https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/Interact-Minors.htm> (Award condition: Determination of suitability required, in advance, for certain individuals who may interact with participating minors), and are incorporated by reference here.

#### **15. Compliance with applicable rules regarding approval, planning, and reporting of conferences, meetings, trainings, and other events**

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier must comply with all applicable laws, regulations, policies, and official DOJ guidance (including specific cost limits, prior approval and reporting requirements, where applicable) governing the use of federal funds for expenses related to conferences (as that term is defined by DOJ), including the provision of food and/or beverages at such conferences, and costs of attendance at such conferences.

Information on the pertinent DOJ definition of conferences and the rules applicable to this award appears in the DOJ Grants Financial Guide (currently, as section 3.10 of "Postaward Requirements" in the "DOJ Grants Financial Guide").

#### **16. Requirement for data on performance and effectiveness under the award**

The subrecipient ("subgrantee") must collect and maintain data that measure the performance and effectiveness of work under this award. The data must be provided to DCJS as specified by DCJS in the program solicitation or other applicable written guidance. Data collection supports compliance with the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) and the GPRA Modernization Act of 2010, and other applicable laws.



## **17. OJP Training Guiding Principles**

Any training or training materials that the recipient -- and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier -- develops or delivers with OJP award funds must adhere to the OJP Training Guiding Principles for Grantees and Subgrantees, available at <https://ojp.gov/funding/Implement/TrainingPrinciplesForGrantees-Subgrantees.htm>.

## **18. Effect of failure to address audit issues**

The subrecipient ("subgrantee") understands and agrees that DCJS or the DOJ awarding agency may withhold award funds, or may impose other related requirements, if (as determined by DCJS or the DOJ awarding agency) the subgrantee does not satisfactorily and promptly address outstanding issues from audits required by the Part 200 Uniform Requirements (or by the terms of this award), or other outstanding issues that arise in connection with audits, investigations, or reviews of DOJ awards.

## **19. Compliance with DOJ regulations pertaining to civil rights and nondiscrimination - 28 C.F.R. Part 42**

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier must comply with all applicable requirements of 28 C.F.R. Part 42, specifically including any applicable requirements in Subpart E of 28 C.F.R. Part 42 that relate to an equal employment opportunity program.

## **20. Compliance with DOJ regulations pertaining to civil rights and nondiscrimination - 28 C.F.R. Part 54**

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier must comply with all applicable requirements of 28 C.F.R. Part 54, which relates to nondiscrimination on the basis of sex in certain "education programs."

## **21. Compliance with DOJ regulations pertaining to civil rights and nondiscrimination - 28 C.F.R. Part 38**

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier must comply with all applicable requirements of 28C.F.R. Part 38, specifically including any applicable requirements regarding written notice to program beneficiaries and prospective program beneficiaries.

Among other things, 28 C.F.R. Part 38 includes rules that prohibit specific forms of discrimination on the basis of religion, a religious belief, a refusal to hold a religious belief, or refusal to attend or participate in a religious practice. Part 38 also sets out rules and requirements that pertain to subgrantee organizations that engage in or conduct explicitly religious activities, as well as rules and requirements that pertain to subgrantees that are faith-based or religious organizations.

The text of the regulation, now entitled "Partnerships with Faith-Based and Other Neighborhood Organizations," is available via the Electronic Code of Federal Regulations

(currently accessible at <https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/ECFR?page=browse> ), by browsing to Title 28-Judicial Administration, Chapter 1, Part 38, under e-CFR "current" data.

## **22. Restrictions on "lobbying"**

In general, as a matter of federal law, federal funds awarded by OJP may not be used by the recipient, or any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, either directly or indirectly, to support or oppose the enactment, repeal, modification, or adoption of any law, regulation, or policy, at any level of government. See 18 U.S.C. 1913. (There may be exceptions if an applicable federal statute specifically authorizes certain activities that otherwise would be barred by law.)

Another federal law generally prohibits federal funds awarded by OJP from being used by the subgrantee, to pay any person to influence (or attempt to influence) a federal agency, a Member of Congress, or Congress (or an official or employee of any of them) with respect to the awarding of a federal grant or cooperative agreement, subgrant, contract, subcontract, or loan, or with respect to actions such as renewing, extending, or modifying any such award. See 31 U.S.C. 1352. Certain exceptions to this law apply, including an exception that applies to Indian tribes and tribal organizations.

Should any question arise as to whether a particular use of federal funds by a subgrantee would or might fall within the scope of these prohibitions, the subgrantee is to contact DCJS for guidance, and may not proceed without the express prior written approval of DCJS and OJP.

## **23. Compliance with general appropriations-law restrictions on the use of federal funds (FY 2019, FY2020)**

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable restrictions on the use of federal funds set out in federal appropriations statutes.

Pertinent restrictions, including from various "general provisions" in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2019, are set out at <https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/FY19AppropriationsRestrictions.htm>, and are incorporated by reference here.

Pertinent restrictions, including from various "general provisions" in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020, are set out at <https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/FY20AppropriationsRestrictions.htm>, and are incorporated by reference here.

Should a question arise as to whether a particular use of federal funds by a subgrantee would or might fall within the scope of an appropriations-law restriction, the subgrantee is to contact DCJS for guidance, and may not proceed without the express prior written approval of DCJS and OJP.

## **24. Reporting Potential Fraud, Waste, and Abuse, and Similar Misconduct**

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must promptly refer to the DOJ Office of the Inspector General (OIG) any credible evidence that a principal, employee, agent, subgrantee, contractor, subcontractor, or other person has, in connection with funds under this award -- (1) submitted a claim that violates the False Claims Act; or (2) committed a criminal or civil violation of laws pertaining to fraud, conflict of interest, bribery, gratuity, or similar misconduct.

Potential fraud, waste, abuse, or misconduct involving or relating to funds under this award should be reported to the OIG by--

(1) mail directed to: Office of the Inspector General, U.S. Department of Justice, Investigations Division, 1425 New York Avenue, N.W. Suite 7100, Washington, DC 20530; and/or

(2) the DOJ OIG hotline: (contact information in English and Spanish) at (800) 869-4499 (phone) or (202) 616-9881 (fax).

Additional information is available from the DOJ OIG website at <https://oig.justice.gov/hotline>.

## **25. Restrictions and certifications regarding non-disclosure agreements and related matters**

No recipient or subrecipient ("subgrantee") under this award, or entity that receives a procurement contract or subcontract with any funds under this award, may require any employee or contractor to sign an internal confidentiality agreement or statement that prohibits or otherwise restricts, or purports to prohibit or restrict, the reporting (in accordance with law) of waste, fraud, or abuse to an investigative or law enforcement representative of a federal department or agency authorized to receive such information.

The foregoing is not intended, and shall not be understood by the agency making this award, to contravene requirements applicable to Standard Form 312 (which relates to classified information), Form 4414 (which relates to sensitive compartmented information), or any other form issued by a federal department or agency governing the nondisclosure of classified information.

1. In accepting this award, the subrecipient--

a. represents that it neither requires nor has required internal confidentiality agreements or statements from employees or contractors that currently prohibit or otherwise currently restrict (or purport to prohibit or restrict) employees or contractors from reporting waste, fraud, or abuse as described above; and

b. certifies that, if it learns or is notified that it is or has been requiring its employees or contractors to execute agreements or statements that prohibit or otherwise restrict (or purport to prohibit or restrict), reporting of waste, fraud, or abuse as described above, it will immediately stop any further obligations of award funds, will provide prompt written

notification to the federal agency making this award, and will resume (or permit resumption of) such obligations only if expressly authorized to do so by that agency.

2. If the subrecipient does or is authorized under this award to make subawards ("subgrants"), procurement contracts, or both--

a. it represents that--

(1) it has determined that no other entity that the subrecipient's application proposes may or will receive award funds (whether through a subaward ("subgrant"), procurement contract, or subcontract under a procurement contract) either requires or has required internal confidentiality agreements or statements from employees or contractors that currently prohibit or otherwise currently restrict (or purport to prohibit or restrict) employees or contractors from reporting waste, fraud, or abuse as described above; and

(2) it has made appropriate inquiry, or otherwise has an adequate factual basis, to support this representation; and

b. it certifies that, if it learns or is notified that any subgrantee, contractor, or subcontractor entity that receives funds under this award is or has been requiring its employees or contractors to execute agreements or statements that prohibit or otherwise restrict (or purport to prohibit or restrict), reporting of waste, fraud, or abuse as described above, it will immediately stop any further obligations of award funds to or by that entity, will provide prompt written notification to the federal agency making this award, and will resume (or permit resumption of) such obligations only if expressly authorized to do so by that agency.

## **26. Compliance with 41 U.S.C. 4712 (including prohibitions on reprisal; notice to employees)**

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with, and is subject to, all applicable provisions of 41 U.S.C. 4712, including all applicable provisions that prohibit, under specified circumstances, discrimination against an employee as reprisal for the employee's disclosure of information related to gross mismanagement of a federal grant, a gross waste of federal funds, an abuse of authority relating to a federal grant, a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety, or a violation of law, rule, or regulation related to a federal grant.

The subrecipient also must inform its employees, in writing (and in the predominant native language of the workforce), of employee rights and remedies under 41 U.S.C. 4712.

Should a question arise as to the applicability of the provisions of 41 U.S.C. 4712 to this award, the subrecipient is to contact DCJS for guidance.

## **27. Encouragement of policies to ban text messaging while driving**

Pursuant to Executive Order 13513, "Federal Leadership on Reducing Text Messaging While Driving," 74 Fed. Reg. 51225 (October 1, 2009), DOJ encourages recipients and subrecipients

("subgrantees") to adopt and enforce policies banning employees from text messaging while driving any vehicle during the course of performing work funded by this award, and to establish workplace safety policies and conduct education, awareness, and other outreach to decrease crashes caused by distracted drivers.

## **28. Discrimination Findings**

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, assures that in the event that a Federal or State court or Federal or State administrative agency makes a finding of discrimination after a due process hearing on the ground of race, religion, national origin, sex, or disability against a recipient of victim assistance formula funds under this award, the subrecipient will forward a copy of the findings to the Office for Civil Rights of OJP.

## **29. VOCA Requirements**

The recipient assures that the State and its subrecipients will comply with the conditions of the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) of 1984, sections 1404(a)(2), and 1404(b)(1) and (2), 34 U.S.C. 20103(a)(2) and (b)(1) and (2) (and the applicable program guidelines and regulations), as required. Specifically, the State certifies that funds under this award will:

- a) be awarded only to eligible victim assistance organizations, 34 U.S.C. 20103(a)(2);
- b) not be used to supplant State and local public funds that would otherwise be available for crime victim assistance, 34 U.S.C. 20103(a)(2); and
- c) be allocated in accordance with program guidelines or regulations implementing 34 U.S.C. 20103(a)(2)(A) and 34 U.S.C. 20103(a)(2)(B) to, at a minimum, assist victims in the following categories: sexual assault, child abuse, domestic violence, and underserved victims of violent crimes as identified by the State.

## **30. VOCA Rule Compliance**

The subrecipient ("subgrantee") agrees to comply with the "Victims of Crime Act Victim Assistance Program Final Rule, 28 CFR 94, effective August 8, 2016", available here: <https://ecfr.io/Title-28/pt28.2.94#sp28.2.94.b>

## **31. Access to Grant Records**

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must authorize DCJS, Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) and/or the Office of the Chief Financial Officer (OCFO), and its representatives, access to and the right to examine all records, books, paper, or documents related to this VOCA grant.

### **32. National Environmental Act Compliance**

The subrecipient ("subgrantee") understands that all OJP awards are subject to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA, 42 U.S.C. section 4321 et seq.) and other related Federal laws (including the National Historic Preservation Act), if applicable. The subrecipient agrees to assist OJP in carrying out its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws, if the subgrantee plans to use VOCA funds (directly or through subaward or contract) to undertake any activity that triggers these requirements, such as renovation or construction. (See 28 C.F.R. Part 61, App. D.) The subrecipient also agrees to comply with all Federal, State, and local environmental laws and regulations applicable to the development and implementation of the activities to be funded under this award.

### **33. Financial Management Systems**

All subgrantees are required to establish and maintain adequate accounting systems and financial records and to accurately account for funds awarded to them. They must have a financial management system in place that is able to record and report on the receipt, obligation, and expenditure of grant funds. Subgrantees must properly track the use of award funds and maintain adequate supporting documentation including maintaining proper documentation for all paid grant and match staff and volunteer time reported. Further information is available in the DOJ Financial Guide at [https://ojp.gov/financialguide/doj/pdfs/DOJ\\_FinancialGuide.pdf](https://ojp.gov/financialguide/doj/pdfs/DOJ_FinancialGuide.pdf).

### **34. Non-Supplanting Requirement**

Funds made available through this award will not be used to replace state or local funds that would, in the absence of this grant, be made available for the same purposes. Guidance on the non-supplanting requirement is available here:

[https://ojp.gov/archives/financial\\_guides/financialguide11/PreawardRequirements/chapter5page6.htm](https://ojp.gov/archives/financial_guides/financialguide11/PreawardRequirements/chapter5page6.htm)

### **35. Equal Employment Opportunity Plan (EEOP)**

As a recipient of Department of Justice funding, the subrecipient ("subgrantee") agrees to comply with the requirements regarding Equal Employment Opportunity Plans (EEOP). In certain cases, subgrant recipients must develop an EEOP. Your organization is required to submit a Certification Report and/or the Utilization Report section of your plan to the Office of Civil Rights. Further guidance can be found at <https://ojp.gov/about/ocr/eeop.htm>. The Certification form required by OJP can be found at <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/about/ocr/pdfs/cert.pdf>.

### **36. Access to services – Limited English Proficiency (LEP)**

Compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act and Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act requires recipients of Federal financial assistance to take reasonable steps to provide persons of LEP meaningful access to services. All organizations that provide

direct services are required to have an LEP plan as part of their organization's policies. Further information on the responsibilities to provide language services to LEP individuals can be found at <https://www.lep.gov/>.

### **37. Additional Monitoring Requirements**

The subgrantee understands that it may be subject to additional financial and programmatic on-site monitoring, which may be on short notice, and agrees that it will cooperate with any such monitoring.

### **38. Civil Rights Training Requirement**

The subgrantee agrees to meet the civil rights training requirements through viewing the online training modules offered through the Office on Civil Rights at <https://ojp.gov/about/ocr/assistance.htm> or online training offered by DCJS. The subrecipient must review these training modules at least once per grant cycle and must view the civil rights overview, standard assurances modules, and the module on the obligations to provide services to limited English proficient (LEP) individuals.

### **39. Performance and Obligation Periods**

Grant funds, including state and local match, may be expended and/or obligated during the grant award period of performance. The subgrantee may only charge to the award allowable costs incurred during this grant award period. All properly incurred obligations must be liquidated no later than 45 days after the end of the award period. No new obligations may be made during the liquidation period. The subgrantee agrees to submit a final financial report and return all received and unexpended grant funds to DCJS within 45 days of the end of the grant award period.

### **40. Travel Policy**

Subgrantees may follow their own established travel rates if they have an established travel policy. DCJS reserves the right to determine the reasonableness of an organization's travel policy. If the subgrantee does not have an established policy, then they must adhere to federal travel policy. DCJS allows reimbursement for actual reasonable expenses and meals according to per diem. Please refer to the following IRS website for the most current mileage rate: <https://www.irs.gov/tax-professionals/standard-mileage-rates>. Transportation costs for air and rail must be at coach rates.

### **41. Project Initiation**

Within 60 days of the starting date of the grant, the subgrantee must initiate the project funded. If not, the subrecipient must report to DCJS, in writing, the steps taken to initiate the project, the reasons for the delay, and the expected starting date. If the project is not operational within 90 days of the start date, the subrecipient must obtain

approval in writing from DCJS for a new implementation date or DCJS may cancel and terminate the project and redistribute the funds.

#### **42. Contract Amendments**

Contract amendments must be submitted for review in the On-line Grants Management System (OGMS). These contract amendments include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Budget Amendment – Revision
- Budget Amendment – In Line Adjustment
- Change Grant Funded Staff
- Change in Authorized Official
- Project Scope of Work Revision
- Reporting Extension
- Other

Check with your grant monitor for details regarding submitting contract amendments via OGMS.

No amendment to the approved budget may be made without the prior approval of DCJS. In each 12 month fiscal year, no more than two (2) budget amendments are permitted, with a maximum of four (4) total budget amendments allowed during the 24 month grant period. Budget Revision – Amendment requests, along with accompanying narrative, are to be submitted using the On-line Grants Management System (OGMS). The submission deadline for budget amendments is 45 days prior to the end of the grant period.

#### **43. Financial Audits**

The subgrantee agrees to forward a copy to DCJS of the subgrantee's scheduled financial statement audit for the fiscal year that covers the grant award period. If the subrecipient is a local government or non-profit organization and expends \$750,000 or more in federal awards (from all sources) during its fiscal year, the subrecipient is required to submit the appropriate single or program specific audit in accordance with the provisions outlined in 2CFR Part 200 Subpart F.

#### **44. Procurement**

The subgrantee agrees to provide for fair and open competition when procuring goods and services with award funds and to maintain documented procurement policies and procedures. Permission to make a sole source procurement requires the prior approval of DCJS. Any request for exemption to this regulation must be filed in writing.

#### **45. Conflict of Interest**

All subgrantees must have a written conflict of interest policy. The subgrantee certifies that it will disclose in writing any potential conflict of interest to DCJS in accordance



with applicable federal awarding agency policy as required in 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Subpart E § 200.112.

#### **46. Project Income**

Any funds generated as a direct result of DCJS grant-funded projects are deemed project income. Project income must be reported on the Subgrantee Financial Report for Project Income provided by DCJS. Instructions for the Project Income form can be downloaded at: <http://www.dcjs.virginia.gov/forms/grants/subgrantProjectIncomeInstructions.doc>. The Project Income form can also be downloaded from the DCJS website at: <http://www.dcjs.virginia.gov/forms/grants/subgrantProjectIncome.xls>. Examples of project income might include service fees; client fees; usage or rental fees; sales of materials; and income received from sale of seized and forfeited assets (cash, personal or real property included).

#### **47. Required Reports**

The subgrantee agrees to submit, on or before scheduled due dates, such reports as required by DCJS. This includes filing required reports using the online On-line Grants Management Information System (OGMS). Failure to submit reports by the deadline dates may result in delay for reimbursement requests and/or cancellation of the subaward.

#### **48. Delegation of Responsibility**

Any delegation of responsibility for carrying out grant-funded activities to any entity must be pursuant to a written memorandum of understanding by which the implementing organization agrees to comply with all applicable grant terms, conditions and assurances. Any such delegation notwithstanding, the applicant acknowledges by its acceptance of the award its ultimate responsibility for compliance with all terms, conditions and assurances of the grant award.

#### **49. Demographic Data**

The subgrantee will collect and maintain information on race, sex, national origin, age, and disability of victims receiving assistance, where such information is voluntarily furnished by the victim.

#### **50. Performance Measurement Reporting**

The subgrantee agrees to submit quarterly performance reports on the performance metrics identified by DCJS and OVC and in a manner required by DCJS and OVC. Subrecipients must have supporting documentation for all submitted performance data. This information on the activities supported by the award funding will assist in assessing the effects that VOCA Victim Assistance funds have had on services to crime victims within the jurisdiction.

## **51. Program Guidelines**

The subgrantee agrees to comply with the applicable Grant Program Guidelines and Attachments, available here: <https://www.dcjs.virginia.gov/grants/programs/fy-2022-2023-victims-crime-act-voca-victims-services-grant-program>

Costs, including staff time, associated with the preparation of subpoenas cannot be supported with grant funds.

In accordance with VOCA guidelines, grant funds may support membership in no more than three appropriate organizations. Memberships must be in the name of the organization, not the individual.

## **52. Additional Special Conditions**

Any additional special conditions related to your award will be shown on the award letter. The subgrantee must comply with any items listed there prior to DCJS disbursing funds.

Unless otherwise stated, these conditions must be met by August 31, 2021. If they remain unmet after this date, then the subgrantee must report to the DCJS, by letter, the steps taken to achieve compliance, the reasons for non-compliance, and the expected date of compliance. DCJS may terminate grant funding based upon unexplained or unreasonable failure to substantially comply with encumbrances within reasonable specified time frames.

## **REPORTING REQUIREMENTS AND PROJECTED DUE DATES**

Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services  
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Richmond, Virginia 23219

### **FY 2022-23 VSGP Award**

#### ***REPORTING REQUIREMENTS***

By accepting the accompanying grant award, you are agreeing to submit online quarterly financial reports and programmatic progress reports for this grant throughout the grant period, as well as final reports to close the grant. No eligible current recipient of funding will be considered for continuation funding if, as of the continuation application due date, any of the required financial and progress reports for the current grant are more than 30 days overdue. For good cause, submitted in writing by the grant recipient, DCJS may waive this provision.

To submit reports, requests, and to view your grant award, refer to the On-line Grants Management System (OGMS) at our website: [ogms.dcjs.virginia.gov](http://ogms.dcjs.virginia.gov). In order to use this web-based system, if you have not previously done so, you must register in OGMS.

- **FINANCIAL REPORTS & REIMBURSEMENTS (Claims)** – OGMS Detail of Expenditure/ Reimbursement forms are due within 15 days after the end of each calendar quarter. Forms are due even if no expenditures occurred during the quarter. If the due date falls on a weekend or non-business day, the report is due on the next business day. For financial questions, contact Mark Fero at (804) 225-2782 or via email at [Mark.Fero@dcjs.virginia.gov](mailto:Mark.Fero@dcjs.virginia.gov).
- **PROGRESS (Status) REPORTS** for most grant programs are due within 15 days after the end of each calendar quarter and must be approved by your DCJS Grant Monitor.
- **BUDGET (Contract) AMENDMENTS** may be submitted for consideration through OGMS. Please review your Special Conditions carefully to determine the requirements and procedures for amending budgets. For budget amendment questions, contact your assigned Grant Monitor.
- **GRANT CLOSEOUT:** The subgrantee has up to 45 days from the end of the award period to liquidate any unpaid obligations and submit a final claims report. The liquidation period exists to allow projects time to receive final invoices and make final payments -- no new obligations may be incurred during this period. Closeout questions should be directed to Andrew Wooldridge (804) 225-1863 or via email at

[Andrew.Wooldridge@dcjs.virginia.gov](mailto:Andrew.Wooldridge@dcjs.virginia.gov) or Mark Fero at (804) 225-2782 or via email at [Mark.Fero@dcjs.virginia.gov](mailto:Mark.Fero@dcjs.virginia.gov).

**Financial & Programmatic Reporting Schedule**

<b>CALENDAR QUARTER ENDING</b>	<b>REPORT DUE DATES</b>
9/30/2021	10/15/2021
12/31/2021	1/15/2022
3/31/2022	4/15/2022
6/30/2022	7/15/2022
9/30/2022	10/15/2022
12/31/2022	1/15/2023
3/31/2023	4/15/2023
6/30/2023	7/15/2023
Final Report	8/15/2023

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