

Victims Services Quarterly Conversation #9

October 6, 2020



DCJS

Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services

VS Quarterly Conversations

- Held beginning of each quarter
- Mix of specific topics & discussion
- DCJS & VS announcements
- Q&A

Virginia HEALS Toolkit

Laurie Crawford, Project Manager

DCJS Victims Services Staff

Staffing Changes

Julia Fuller-Wilson

State Crisis Response Program Coordinator

Tierra Smith

VSTOP & VSDVVF Grant Program Coordinator

New Staff

(starting October 13th)

Haymanot Cummings

Victims Services Grant Program Specialist

Erin Osborne Osiol

Victims Services Grant Program Specialist

VS Administrators/Coordinators

- **Tricia Everetts**, Training Coordinator
- **Patricia Foster**, Victim/Witness Program Coordinator
- **Julia Fuller-Wilson**, State Crisis Response Program Coordinator
- **Jennifer Kline**, ICJR Grant Program Coordinator
- **Andi Martin**, Sexual Assault & IPV Program Coordinator
- **Anya Shaffer**, VOCA Administrator
- **Tierra Smith**, VSTOP & VSDVVF Program Coordinator

VS Grant Monitors (with regions)

- **Amia Barrows**, Grant Monitoring Supervisor
- **Dione Bassett**, Hampton Roads
- **Chad Felts**, Southwest
- **Andrew Kinch**, Valley/Northern
- **Chrissy Smith**, Western
- **Chrissy Wengloski**, Southside

Grant Program Announcements

DCJS Victims Services Grant Programs

as of July 1, 2020

1. Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP)
2. Victim/Witness Grant Program (VWGP)
3. Victims Services Grant Program (VSGP)
4. VSTOP
5. Virginia Sexual & Domestic Violence Victim Fund (VSDVVF)
6. Improving Criminal Justice Responses (ICJR)

Grant Program	Grant Cycle	Number of Awards	Total Amount (including match)
SASP	CY20	19	\$446,893
Victim/Witness	FY21	113	\$18,857,236
Victims Services Grant Program (VSGP)	FY21	86	\$45,590,000
VSTOP	CY20	90	\$4,161,078
VSDVVF	FY21	46	\$1,908,317
VSTOP Special - UPLC	CY20	1	\$338,104
ICJR	FY21	5	\$244,410
TOTALS		360	\$71,546,038

Sexual Assault Services Program

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- CY 2020 grants end December 31, 2020
 - Annual reports due by January 15, 2021
 - Any budget modifications due by November 16, 2020
- CY 2021 announced in the next 1-2 weeks
 - Total requests exceeded available funding by about \$178,000, so it was a very competitive process

Victims Services Grant Program

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- 1st Quarter reports for FY 2021 are due by Oct. 15
- VSGP Project Directors were emailed a new Progress Report Form to use for this FY on Sept. 15
- Thank you all for your diligent work in getting the SAR templates to us!
- We anticipate the FY22-23 VSGP solicitation to be released late October/early November

Victim/Witness Grant Program

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- Solicitation for next grant cycle likely released in early 2021
- Continue to contact Lisa Self and Patricia Foster for CIMS concerns/issues
- CIMS replacement project (*see additional slides*)

VSTOP

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- Currently in 2nd year of 3-year grant cycle
- Grants Management will start generating SOGAs for VSTOP CY 21 Awards
- New solicitation for next grant cycle will be released in summer 2021
- Currently working on STOP State Implementation Plan to determine policy and funding priorities

Virginia Sexual & Domestic Violence Victim Fund

Tierra Smith, tierra.smith@dcjs.virginia.gov

- New reporting form for VSDVVF Prosecutors emailed last week (email from Tricia Everetts)
- Solicitation for next grant cycle released in early 2021

Improving Criminal Justice Responses

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- Awarded from Office on Violence Against Women (OVW)
- Supports a partnership among six statewide agencies:
 - DCJS
 - Office of the Attorney General
 - Office of the Chief Medical Examiner
 - Virginia Poverty Law Center
 - Virginia Sexual & Domestic Violence Action Alliance
 - Virginia Victim Assistance Network

Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding (CESF)

- Progress reports are required to be submitted by October 15th for the following reporting period: January 20, 2020 - September 30, 2020
- Progress reports shall demonstrate progress in the period for which it occurred
- If there was no activity organizations may put "No activity during this period" or "N/A"
- Please use the approved CESF narrative form

CESF - Financial Reporting

- Financial reports are required to be submitted by October 15th for each of the following periods: January-March; April-June; July-September
- Expenditures shall be recorded in the period for which they occurred (e.g., PPE purchased in February submitted with the Jan-March financial report)
- For new DCJS sub-recipients, the Finance Officer email grantsweb@dcjs.virginia.gov to establish a GMIS account

CESF - Requests for Funds

- Requests for reimbursement can be submitted using the current quarter (any request made prior to September 30 use the July-Sept voucher period)
- If your organization had no activity, and has no expenditures, report \$0.00 on the financial reports for the past three quarters
- Prior to disbursement of funds, all conditions and reporting requirements must be approved
- Email contact: cesf@dcjs.virginia.gov

DCJS & Victims Services Announcements

Anti-Racism & Social Justice

- Committed to both internal and external anti-racism work
- Ongoing efforts to address and dismantle harmful systems/institutions
- Participation in Underserved Populations Learning Collaborative (UPLC)

October is

**Domestic Violence
Awareness Month**



DOJ Office of the Inspector General DCJS Report

- Audit of federal VOCA grants completed
- Final report released

VOCA Funding Outlook

- Many unknown factors
- Goals = sustainability & best meeting victims' needs
- Renewed focus on four VOCA priority areas
- Virginia's FFY20 VOCA award = \$42,711,960
 - FFY19 award was \$57,815,818
 - Reduced by approximately 26%

VOCA Funding Outlook FY22 Funding

- Victims Services Grant Program (VSGP)
 - Anticipate **competitive max award of \$500,000 per year** (\$400,000 VOCA + \$100,000 local match)
 - Sexual & Domestic Violence Agencies (“Category 3”) anticipate level funding to FY21 “category 3” amounts
- Victim Witness Grant Program (VWGP)
 - Anticipate level funding to FY21 amounts

PMT System

Federal PMT System
will remain unchanged for now

State Crisis Response Team

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- Basic CRT training likely to be held in Spring 2021
- Will be open to new responders and those that have not been trained in over 5 years
- Sign up for DCJS updates to receive the training announcement

Victims Services Trainings

- Many Upcoming Virtual Opportunities
- List of all DCJS trainings:
<https://www.dcjs.virginia.gov/training-events>
- Contact Tricia Everetts, tricia.everetts@dcjs.virginia.gov

Strengthening SARTs in Virginia Initiative

Training and Technical Assistance
SART Coordinator Discussion Forum
SART Google Group

<https://groups.google.com/d/forum/sart-va>

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New GMIS System

- The new system offers an efficient, user-friendly platform for managing your organization's complete grant management needs from application through grant closeout.
- The platform also allows DCJS to manage all data related to the complete lifecycle of the grant in one environment.
- External users (grantees) will manage/update contact information.

New GMIS System

- Multiple users can access multiple grants.
- Correspondence can be sent and tracked in one system.
- Training will be provided to grantees and recorded for future viewing.
- Stay tuned for training dates and more information.

NEW

Victims Services Information Technology Project

- VWGP is priority, to replace CIMS
- Purpose of Phase 1 is to provide a grant reporting, data collection, and case management system that supports 113 VWGPs
- Current timeline is 18 months; however, the project team is working diligently to reduce that time
- Demonstrations - first is with 3Di Systems on 10/28/2020 at 3:00 p.m.

NEW

Victims Services Information Technology Project

- Project Scope Includes:
 - Refine Project Plan,
 - Redefine functional requirements including a business process review focusing on process improvement,
 - Prepare and release a RFP,
 - Identify, procure, and implement a solution, and
 - Process to decommission CIMS.
- Contact **Patricia Foster** if you have any questions

Questions?

