

FY 2018 VAWA

VAWA - Sexual Assault Advocate

**Office of Criminal Justice Services
Detailed Budget Application**

Subgrant Number:

2018-VP-Va5-V043

PART A - BUDGET REQUEST BY RESOURCE

	Amount	Percentage %
OCJS Funds Requested:	43,864.61	75.00%
Cash Match	14,621.53	25.00%
In-Kind Match	0.00	0.00%
Total Project Budget:	58,486.14	100.00%

Identify the Source of Match:

Cleveland Law Enforcement Trust Fund

PART B - BUDGET REQUEST BY COST CATEGORY

Please note that both the OCJS & matching costs are to be included in following sections.

Section 1 - Personnel Costs

Salaries and Personnel

Name/ Vacant	Title	No. Hrs.	Hrly Rate	Total
				\$0.00
				\$0.00
				\$0.00
				\$0.00
				\$0.00
				\$0.00
				\$0.00
Salary Subtotal:				\$0.00

Employer's Share of Fringe Benefits:

Fringe Benefits	Rate (%)	Total Yearly Wages	Total Cost
PERS (government agencies)		\$0.00	\$0.00
FICA (private agencies)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Retirement (private agencies)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Worker's Compensation		\$0.00	\$0.00
Unemployment Comp. (Max 2.00% on first \$9,000*)		\$0.00	\$0.00
Medicare		\$0.00	\$0.00
Health Insurance			
Fill in the formula: \$ (Monthly Rate) x (# Months) x (FTE) 0.00			
Fringe Subtotal:			\$0.00

* Note this is the first \$9,000 of the Salary Subtotal.

Section 1 - Personnel Total:

\$0.00

Narrative Required: Provide justification for each position; list job duties.

Section 2 - Consultants/Contracts

Name	Hourly Fee	Hours	Total
Cleveland Rape Crisis Center - Victim Advocate	24.31	2333	\$56,715.23
Cleveland Rape Crisis Center - Phone (\$95 per month)	95	12	\$1,140.00
Cleveland Rape Crisis Center - Office Supplies	630.91	1	\$630.91
			\$0.00

Section 2 - Consultants/Contracts Total:

\$58,486.14

Narrative Required: Provide justification, method of procurement and basis of selection.

The city of Cleveland will enter into a contract with the Cleveland Rape Crisis Center (CRCC). CRCC will provide a full-time victim advocate who will be assigned to the Cleveland Division of Police to work with victims of sexual assault. In addition to victim advocates, CRCC will use funding for cell phones and office supplies.

Section 3 - Travel

A. Auto	No. Miles	Per Mile	Total
	0	0	\$0.00
	0	0	\$0.00

B. Commercial	Destination	Fare	Total
		0	\$0.00
		0	\$0.00

C. Per Diem: (Meal & Lodging Only)	No. of days	Rate	Total
	0	0	\$0.00
	0	0	\$0.00

D. Other (Specify):	No. Items	Rate	Total
	0	0	\$0.00
	0	0	\$0.00

Section 3 - Travel Total

\$0.00

Narrative Required: Provide justification for travel. Costs must relate to the project staff & objectives.

Section 4- Equipment

Item(s) Being Purchased	Quantity	Unit Price	Total
	0	0	\$0.00
	0	0	\$0.00
	0	0	\$0.00
	0	0	\$0.00
	0	0	\$0.00
	0	0	\$0.00
	0	0	\$0.00
	0	0	\$0.00
	0	0	\$0.00
	0	0	\$0.00

Section 4 - Equipment Total

\$0.00

Narrative Required: Provide justification for the equipment requested.

Section 5 - Supplies

List of Items to be Purchased	Quantity	Unit Price	Total
	0	0	\$0.00
	0	0	\$0.00
	0	0	\$0.00
	0	0	\$0.00
	0	0	\$0.00
	0	0	\$0.00
	0	0	\$0.00

Section 5- Supplies Total

\$0.00

Narrative Required: Provide justification for the supplies; provide allocation method.

Section 6 - Other Costs

Other Charges	Cost	Terms	Total
Rent-Facilities	0	0	\$0.00
Cost of Ownership	0	0	\$0.00
Telephone	0	0	\$0.00
Utilities	0	0	\$0.00
Bookkeeping/Audit	0	0	\$0.00
Maintenance	0	0	\$0.00
Clerical	0	0	\$0.00
Auto Lease/ST Rental	0	0	\$0.00
Equipment Lease/ST Rental	0	0	\$0.00
Photocopying	0	0	\$0.00
Printing	0	0	\$0.00
Other (Specify)	0	0	\$0.00
Other (Specify)	0	0	\$0.00
Other (Specify)	0	0	\$0.00

Section 6 - Other Costs Total \$0.00

Narrative Required: Provide justification for other costs; provide allocation methods where appropriate.

Section 7 - Confidential Funds (Applies to Drug Task Force Projects Only)

Implementing Agency Confidential Funds	Total
0	\$0.00

Section 7- Confidential Fund Total \$0.00

Narrative Required: Provide justification for Confidential Funds.

Section 8 - Indirect Costs

Amount of Direct Costs Less Equipment	Percent 0 to 10%	Total
0	0.00%	\$0.00

Section 8 - Indirect Cost Total \$0.00

Narrative Required: Provide justification for Indirect Cost; attach a copy of your federally approved plan.

PART C- BUDGET REQUEST BY RESOURCE & COST CATEGORY

	1. Matching Funds		2. OCJS Funds	3. Total
	Cash	Inkind		
1. Personnel				\$0.00
2. Consultant/Contracts	\$14,621.53		\$43,864.61	\$58,486.14
3. Travel				\$0.00
4. Equipment				\$0.00
5. Supplies				\$0.00
6. Other Costs				\$0.00
7. Confidential Funds				\$0.00
8. Indirect Cost				\$0.00
9. Total Project Budget	\$14,621.53		\$43,864.61	\$58,486.14

Narrative: Federal, State and Local Funding Sources-please provide information on funding that is received by your Agency that is relevant to this project applied for. Include the source, amount received, and year funds were awarded.

The city of Cleveland received a FY17 VAWA grant for \$36,051.60

Do you have other funding resources not identified above?

Yes	No
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Date:

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Cleveland Division of Police – Cleveland Sexual Assault Advocate

Narrative

Problem Statement/Underserved Population:

The city of Cleveland is requesting continuation funding under Program Area VA 2 – Enhancement Efforts to maintain a victim advocate assigned to the Cleveland Division of Police to assist the victims of sexual assault.

Nature and Scope of Problem: One out of seven women, or nearly 635,000 women in Ohio, has been a survivor of forcible rape/sexual assault sometime in her life (One in Seven. Rape in Ohio – A Report to the State. National Violence Against Women Prevention Research Center. Kenneth J. Ruggiero, Dean G. Kilpatrick. May 2003.

<http://www.ppao.org/files/Resources/1in7study.pdf>).

In the eight year period of January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2017, the city of Cleveland has had 4,239 reported rapes. That is an average of 530 rapes per year. The number of rapes in 2017 marks the highest number since 2006. The number for each of the years is in chart 1 below:

Chart 1: Rape Cases from 2010 – 2017:

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Rapes	507	471	533	539	507	559	542	581

Source: Cleveland Police Crime Analysis Unit, 2016

Because rape/sexual assault is the most unreported crime, the actual number of rapes is significantly higher than the statistics above. The Cleveland Rape Crisis Center (CRCC) received 6,470 calls, texts, and chats on its 24-hour crisis hotlines in 2017.

Following the Imperial Avenue tragedy in 2010, Cleveland Mayor Frank Jackson appointed a Special Commission on Missing Persons and Sex Crimes Investigations. The Cleveland Rape Crisis Center (CRCC) and Cleveland Department of Public Safety participated in this initiative. As a result of this Special Commission, CRCC established a formal satellite location directly within the Cleveland Division of Police Sex Crime's Unit in addition to Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court and Prosecutor's Office. A dedicated advocate was available to provide support to victims Monday through Friday, 20 hours a week directly at Sex Crimes. We knew that 20 hours per week was not enough time to reach all victims, so a search commenced to find the funding to hire an advocate who would be assigned to the Division of Police on a full-time basis. With the award of a FY14 VAWA grant we were able to accomplish this. Now, in addition to advocates who are available part-time, there is a full-time advocate assigned to the Police Sex Crimes Unit. The advocates receive police reports daily within the unit and reach out to the victims to provide support, crisis intervention, information, education and support throughout the criminal justice process. The advocates accompany survivors and co-survivors to the Division of Police, hospitals, and court systems within Cuyahoga County to provide direct services. They provide direct support when the victims meet with the detectives in the Sex Crime and Child Abuse unit during their statements.

The work of the advocate is vital to the victims of sexual assault and there is a great need to maintain the number of advocates assigned to the Cleveland Division of Police. Since the recommendations were released by Mayor Jackson's Special Commission on Missing Persons and Sex Crimes Investigations, the city had been seeking a way to add a full-time advocate in addition to the part-time one that was assigned to the Division of Police. However, until we were awarded FY14 VAWA funding, the resources to fund this position had not been identified.

Consequences: The short-term consequence of the failure to fund this project is that many victims of sexual assault will not be reached by a victim advocate. The long-term consequence is that many of these victims will not receive the support they need to move forward with the healing process or the justice system.

Target Population: In order to better address the needs of victims of sexual assault, the city of Cleveland will contract with the Cleveland Rape Crisis Center (CRCC) to continue to provide a full-time victim advocate to be assigned to the Cleveland Division of Police Sex Crimes Unit.

The project targets all victims of rape/sexual assault violence. Every police report of sexual assault is forwarded to the Sex Crimes Unit. The advocates will be provided with information from every report so contact can be made with every victim.

Existing Resources: As mentioned, since the recommendations were released by Mayor Jackson's Special Commission on Missing Persons and Sex Crimes Investigations, the city had been seeking a way to add a full-time advocate in addition to the part-time one that was assigned to the Division of Police. However, no other resources have been found to fund this position.

Underserved Population: Inner-city victims are underserved due to various factors such as underserved racial populations, educational background, economic situation, cultural or religious background, availability of transportation and housing other social concerns which are personal to each victim. Such personal circumstances often prevent the survivor from safely coming forward to utilize the legal and social services available. In Cleveland, an average of 53% of the victims of rape are African-American and 5% are Hispanic. Another underserved population is the hearing impaired community. The Deaf and hard of hearing face unique issues such as social isolation and lack of interpreters in the justice system. In order to assist these

underserved populations The Cleveland Police Sex Crimes Unit employs a diverse racial mix of staff, including those who speak Spanish. To assist the hearing impaired community, Cleveland Police has a contract for sign language interpreters and in 2016 sent two police supervisors to a national conference to learn about the special needs of these victims and how to aid them. In 2018 they received this same training to aid vision impaired victims.

Project Description:

Activities and Approach: The city of Cleveland will enter into a contract with the Cleveland Rape Crisis Center for the continuing services of one full-time advocate who is assigned to the Cleveland Police Sex Crimes Unit. The advocate will be available during a variety of days and hours including nights and weekends. The advocate will receive a copy of the unit's police reports and reach out to the victims to provide support, crisis intervention, information, education and support throughout the criminal justice system. They will accompany survivors and co-survivors to hospitals, and court systems to provide direct services. They will provide direct, in-person support when the victims meet with the detectives in the Sex Crimes Unit during their statements. This fits into the state's 2017 implementation plan goal 1: Multidisciplinary and program specific projects will meaningfully address and ensure coordinated community responses for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

Evidence-Based and Fidelity: Inclusion of victim advocates is supported by the findings in a recent study, "Rape Survivors' Experiences with the Legal and Medical Systems: Do Rape Victim Advocates Make a Difference" by Dr. Rebecca Campbell which concluded "rape victim advocate...had a positive impact on the experiences of rape survivors with the legal and medical systems." Survivors who had the assistance of an advocate were significantly more likely to

have police reports taken and were less likely to be treated negatively by police officers. These women also reported less distress after their contact with the legal system. Similarly, survivors who worked with an advocate during their emergency department care received more medical services, including emergency contraception and sexually transmitted disease prophylaxis, reported significantly fewer negative interpersonal interactions with medical system personnel, and reported less distress from their medical contact experiences.

Many emergency rooms now have on call trained volunteers called sexual assault advocates whose job is “to protect a victim’s health and well-being and make sure her rights are respected,” the study stated. The advocate stays with the victim in the emergency room and, if needed, through the legal process. At each step, the advocate explains what is going to happen and why, what information is confidential and what is not, and which questions the victim does not have to answer. If legal action is pursued, “the advocate may be able to intercede so the victim won’t have to repeat the same story 20 different times,” the study said. The advocate must remain neutral, however, and support the victim’s decision whether to file a police report.

Long Term Sustainability: We will continue to promote the program and increase public awareness, particularly among our stakeholders so we in the best possible position for additional fundraising to sustain the program through local funding to support the position. For now, these grant funds are necessary to maintain the program.

Continuation Projects: We are on track to meet the goals established in our FY17 application. The number of African-American and Hispanic sexual assault victims who have received access to community resource information will reach approximately 525 by the end of 2018. We will have begun providing trauma informed trainings to police officers and CRCC advocates and will complete this by the end of 2018.

We do not have plans to expand the number of victim advocates assigned to the Cleveland Police Sex Crimes Unit. The number of advocates that are available is currently in balance with respect to the other rape-survivor service needs of the community.

As mentioned, we will continue to promote the program and increase public awareness, particularly among our stakeholders so we in the best possible position for additional fundraising to sustain the program through local funding to support the position. For now, these grant funds are necessary to maintain the program.

The advocate will receive continuing training on emerging trends regarding victim services, underserved populations and sexual assault directly from the CRCC. The detectives assigned to the Sex Crimes Unit will receive continuing training on emerging trends regarding victim services, underserved populations and sexual assault directly from annual in-service training and from the CRCC.

Project Objectives

<u>Objective</u>	<u>Performance Indicator</u>	<u>Baseline Number</u>
Increase by 5% the number of African-American and Hispanic sexual assault victims who have access to community resource information during the grant period.	The number of African-American and Hispanic sexual assault victims contacted by a victim advocate and provided with assistance in accessing community resource information	The baseline number is 525 based on the first six months of 2018. Approximately 551 African-American and Hispanic sexual assault victims will be provided with access to community resource info by the end of 2019
Provide 4 trauma informed trainings to police officers and advocates from Cleveland Police and the Cleveland Rape Crisis Center during the grant period	The number of trauma informed trainings provided to police officers and advocates from Cleveland Police and the Cleveland Rape Crisis Center.	The baseline number is 4 based on 2017 and the first six months of 2018.

These objectives will help to achieve Goal 1 (Multidisciplinary, coordinated community response)/Objective 2 (coordination) and Goal 3 (address services)/Objective 2 (coordination) of the 2017 Implementation Plan.

Performance Data Collection: The victim advocate will maintain records on the number of African-American and Hispanic victims who are contacted by them and provided with assistance in accessing community resource information. The Division of Police and CRCC will maintain all records regarding the training offered to police officers and advocates. Data will be provided to the Cleveland grants coordinator on a monthly basis for grant reporting requirements. Both the Cleveland Division of Police and Cleveland Rape Crisis Center are well versed in the laws regarding confidentiality, and have rules and procedures in place to ensure the anonymity and confidentiality of victims.

Timeline and Activities

Goal	Objective	Activity	Expected Completion Date	Responsible Party
Improve the Cleveland Division of Police's ability to assist the victims of sexual assault	Increase by 5% the number of African-American and Hispanic sexual assault victims who have access to community resource information during the grant period.	Quickly replace any vacancies of victim advocates	Within one month of vacancy	CRCC
		Continuing training of advocates in assisting underserved victims of sexual assault	February, 2019	CRCC
		Victim contact information provided to victim advocates	Weekly	Sex Crimes Unit supervisor
		Advocate contacts sexual assault victims and offers support and information	Daily	CRCC advocates

Goal	Objective	Activity	Expected Completion Date	Responsible Party
		Continuing training of advocates in assisting underserved victims of sexual assault	August, 2019	CRCC
		Statistics provided to project director on the number of African-American and Hispanic victims who receive information on community resources	Quarterly	CRCC, Sex Crimes Unit
	Provide 4 trauma informed trainings to police officers and advocates from Cleveland Police and the Cleveland Rape Crisis Center during the grant period	Determine best trauma informed training to offer	January, 2019	CRCC, Sex Crimes Unit
		Develop curriculum for training	February, 2019	CRCC, Sex Crimes Unit, Police Academy
		Offer training to sex crimes unit officers and victim advocates	March, 2019	CRCC, Sex Crimes Unit, Police Academy
		Offer training to other officers and advocates	Quarterly	CRCC, Sex Crimes Unit, Police Academy
		Statistics provided to project director on the number of trainings provided	Quarterly	CRCC, Sex Crimes Unit

Organization and Staff Capacity:

The Project Director for this grant will be the Public Safety Grants Coordinator who has over 20 years of experience successfully managing 30-40 comprehensive grant-funded programs annually. The Sexual Assault Advocate Project is a collaboration of the Cleveland Division of Police and Cleveland Rape Crisis Center.

Cleveland Rape Crisis Center supports survivors of sexual violence, promotes healing and prevention and creates social change. Cleveland Rape Crisis Center (CRCC) was founded in

1974 in response to Cleveland's long-standing need for services to assist survivors of sexual assault. The largest rape crisis center in Ohio and among the leading centers in the nation, CRCC reached 40,000 people in 2017 through victim advocacy, a 24-hour hotline, text/chat support, recovery therapy, outreach, and education. CRCC employs the current advocate assigned to the Cleveland Police Sex Crimes Unit.

The mission of the Cleveland Division of Police is “to enhance the quality of life, strengthen neighborhoods, and deliver superior services with professionalism, respect, integrity, dedication, and excellence working in partnership with neighborhoods and communities.” The CPD is the lead law enforcement agency in Northern Ohio’s largest city.

Development Surrounding Cultural Competency: The diversity of Cleveland and the underserved victims is reflected in the detectives, and advocates who are part of the project. All members of the Division of Police and Cleveland Rape Crisis Center are provided with continuing training surrounding cultural, racial, legal, and socioeconomic issues from their respective organizations.

Collaboration Board:

The Collaboration Board will include representatives from the Cleveland Division of Police, Cleveland Rape Crisis Center, and the Cleveland Prosecutor’s Office. The Cuyahoga County Prosecutor’s Office has been invited but has not determined who they will send.

Meetings will be held quarterly and meeting notifications will be distributed via e-mail.

The Collaboration Board will review program data and discuss successes and any problems. They will work together to determine changes that could improve the project and provide advice on how to implement these changes.

VAWA – Law Enforcement

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Subgrant Number:

PART A - BUDGET REQUEST BY RESOURCE

	Amount	Percentage %
OCJS Funds Requested:	\$96,602.95	75.00%
Cash Match	\$32,200.98	25.00%
In-Kind Match	\$0.00	0.00%
Total Project Budget:	\$128,803.93	100.00%

Identify the Source of Match:

City of Cleveland General Fund

PART B - BUDGET REQUEST BY COST CATEGORY

Please note that both the OCJS & matching costs are to be included in following sections.

Section 1 - Personnel Costs

Salaries and Personnel

Name/ Vacant	Title	No. Hrs.	Hrly Rate	Total
William Cunningham	Detective	2080	30.6343	63,719.34
John Frechoffer	Detective	1940	30.6343	59,430.54
			0.00	0.00
			0.00	0.00
			0.00	0.00
			0.00	0.00
				0.00
Salary Subtotal:				\$123,149.89

Employer's Share of Fringe Benefits:

Fringe Benefits	Rate (%)	Total Yearly Wages	Total Cost
PERS (government agencies)			0
FICA (private agencies)			0
Retirement (private agencies)			0
Worker's Compensation			0
Unemployment Comp. (max 2.00% on first \$9,000)			0
Medicate			0
Health Insurance			
Fill in the formula: \$ (Monthly Rate) x (# Months) x (FTE)			0
Fringe Subtotal:			0

Section 1 - Personnel Total:

\$123,149.89

Narrative Required: Provide justification for each position: list job duties.

Detectives investigate reports of Domestic Violence and Stalking and present them to the Prosecutor. We are requesting the cost of the base salaries of just two of the 13 detectives who are assigned the the police Domestic Violence Unit on a full-time basis. Fringe benefits are paid for by the city.

Section 2 - Consultants/Contracts

Name	Hourly Fee	Hours	Total
			0
			0
			0
			0

Section 2 - Consultants/Contracts Total:

0

Narrative Required: Provide justification, method of procurement and basis of selection.

Section 3 - Travel

A. Auto	No. Miles	Per Mile	Total
	0	0	0
	0	0	0

B. Commercial	Destination	Fare	Total
Airfare for 2 people	DV National Conference	600	\$1,200.00

C. Per Diem: (Meal & Lodging Only)	No. of days	Rate	Total
Meals 2 people x 6 days x 1 conference	12	50	\$600.00
Lodging 2 people x 5 days x 1 conference	10	190	\$1,900.00

D. Other (Specify):	No. Items	Rate	Total
Registration	2	300	\$600.00
			0

Section 3 - Travel Total

\$4,300.00

Narrative Required: Provide justification for travel. Costs must relate to the project staff & objectives.

We will send both grant-funded DV unit detectives to the Annual National Multi-Disciplinary Conference on Domestic Violence. The conference is coordinated by the National District Attorney's Association and focuses on DV programs that include partnerships with law enforcement, prosecution and victim services like Cleveland's program. We believe it is important for them to be exposed to new trends in serving the victims of domestic violence and to share knowledge and experiences with their peers working on similar programs.

Section 4- Equipment

Item(s) Being Purchased	Quantity	Unit Price	Total
	0	0	0
	0	0	0
	0	0	0

Section 4 - Equipment Total

0

Narrative Required: Provide justification for the equipment requested.

Section 5 - Supplies

List of Items to be Purchased	Quantity	Unit Price	Total
RTA Bus Tickets	400	2.25	\$900.00
Office Supplies	Various	Various	\$454.04
	0	0.00	0
	0	0.00	0
	0	0	0

Section 5- Supplies Total

\$1,354.04

Narrative Required: Provide justification for the supplies; provide allocation method.

It is essential that we have bus tickets available to give to victims. Many of them do not have transportation and have a very limited income. This helps to ensure they will be able to meet with victim advocates, detectives and prosecutors. General office supplies such as ink cartridges, paper, batteries, etc.. are needed in the unit.

Section 6 - Other Costs

Other Charges	Cost	Terms	Total
Rent-Facilities	0	0	0
Cost of Ownership	0	0	0
Telephone	0	0	0
Utilities	0	0	0
Bookkeeping/Audit	0	0	0
Maintenance	0	0	0
Clerical	0	0	0
Auto Lease/ST Rental	0	0	0
Equipment Lease/ST Rental	0	0	0
Photocopying	0	0	0
Printing	0	0	0
Other (Specify)	0	0	0
Other (Specify)	0	0	0
Other (Specify)	0	0	0

Section 6 - Other Costs Total 0

Narrative Required: Provide justification for other costs; provide allocation methods where appropriate.

Section 7 - Confidential Funds (Applies to Drug Task Force Projects Only)

Implementing Agency Confidential Funds	Total
0	0

Section 7- Confidential Fund Total 0

Narrative Required: Provide justification for Confidential Funds.

Section 8 - Indirect Costs

Amount of Direct Costs Less Equipment	Percent 0 to 10%	Total
0	0.00%	0

Section 8 - Indirect Cost Total 0

Narrative Required: Provide justification for Indirect Cost; attach a copy of your federally approved plan.

PART C- BUDGET REQUEST BY RESOURCE & COST CATEGORY

	1. Matching Funds		2. OCJS Funds	3. Total
	Cash	Inkind		
1. Personnel	\$ 30,787.47		\$ 92,362.41	\$ 123,149.89
2. Consultant/Contracts				
3. Travel	\$ 1,075.00		\$ 3,225.00	\$ 4,300.00
4. Equipment	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
5. Supplies	\$ 338.51		\$ 1,015.53	\$ 1,354.04
6. Other Costs				
7. Confidential Funds				
8. Indirect Cost				
9. Total Project Budget	\$ 32,200.98		\$ 96,602.94	\$ 128,803.93

Narrative: Federal, State and Local Funding Sources-please provide information on funding that is received by your Agency that is relevant to this project applied for. Include the source, amount received, and year funds were awarded.

We currently have a FY2017 STOP VAWA grant for \$86,582.82

Do you have other funding resources not identified above?

Yes	No
X	

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9/6/2018

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Cleveland Division of Police – Cleveland Domestic Violence Project

Narrative

Problem Statement/Underserved Population:

The city of Cleveland is applying for funding, under Program Area VA 2: Enhancement Efforts, to continue the successful Cleveland Domestic Violence Project, a vital partnership of prosecutors from the Cleveland Law Department, detectives from the Cleveland Division of Police, and victim advocates from the Cuyahoga County Witness/Victim Service Center.

Nature and Scope of Problem: Domestic violence, stalking, and crimes resulting from domestic abuse continue to adversely affect the residents of the City of Cleveland. According to Cleveland Police Radio, 40% of all calls for service in the City of Cleveland are related to domestic violence. In 2017 that amounted to 17,772 calls, an average of 49 calls every day. It infiltrates all ethnic, racial, and economic communities and can be found in all neighborhoods in the City. Cleveland is a diverse city with a population of approximately 385,809 people and a staggering poverty rate of 36%. (July 2016 census estimates). Cleveland also ranks amongst the most violent cities in the country according to 2017 and prior years Universal Crime Reporting stats.

Consequences: The potential outcome of the failure to fund this project is that the city of Cleveland will be forced to re-assign all or some of the police detectives who are currently assigned to the project and lay-off all or some of the prosecutors and law clerks who are currently assigned to the project. The short term consequence would be a dramatic reduction in the number of victims who could be served. The long term consequences could be an end to the entire program and all DV victims in Cleveland being forced to traverse the justice system without the aid of dedicated detectives and specially trained prosecutors. This would lead to

fewer victims following through with prosecution, fewer successful convictions of DV perpetrators, and more repeated incidents of domestic violence.

Target Population: In an attempt to address the needs of victims of domestic violence (DV) Cleveland created the Cleveland Domestic Violence Project. The project targets adult (18 or older), female victims of intimate partner violence, including gay and lesbian partners. This includes violence and crimes committed by spouses or former spouses, a person with whom the victim shares a child in common or a person who has or is currently cohabitating with the victim. Issues surrounding domestic abuse encompass many areas. Often victims of domestic abuse are left to find their own way in a sea of needs and necessities. This project has helped to bring together services for the victims and help them find resources to meet their needs. The DV Project has taken a collaborative approach and brought together law enforcement, city prosecutors and victim advocates to assist victims through the aftermath of a domestic incident.

Existing Resources: The city of Cleveland currently pays for more than 75% of the cost of operating the entire DV Project. This includes paying for 85% of the salaries and 100% of the benefits of the police officers assigned to the project, paying for police vehicles the detectives use, paying for 50% of the salaries and 100% of the benefits of the prosecutors assigned to the project. The city does not have the additional resources to fund more of this program and needs the continuing grant to aid in keeping our focus on expanding the project.

Underserved Population: Inner-city victims are underserved due to various factors such as underserved racial populations, educational background, economic situation, cultural or religious background, availability of transportation and housing other social concerns which are personal to each victim. Victims are underserved due to their personal circumstances which make it difficult for them to safely come forward and to utilize the legal and social services of

the Domestic Violence Project and other such services. Annually, 42% - 47% of the victims of domestic violence served by the Cleveland DV Project are African-American and 3%-5% are Hispanic. With a city-wide 36% poverty rate, many of Cleveland's domestic violence victims lack the economic resources to simply travel downtown to meet with victim advocates, prosecutors and police detectives. The DV Project will also improve how we respond to the needs of victims with limited English proficiency. The Domestic Violence Homicide Prevention Demonstration Initiative, which is led by the Cuyahoga County Witness/Victim Service Center, with strong ties to DVCAC, Cleveland Division of Police, and Cleveland Prosecutor's Office, has assisted the Cleveland Prosecutor's Office in a review of its language access policies. They developed a policy that includes additional staff training and securing interpreters for victims with limited or no English proficiency. The result is a more robust, coordinated response and formalized protocol when working with a limited English proficient victim. This will ensure we obtain adequate information from them and provide them with the services they need.

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Project Objectives

<u>Objective</u>	<u>Performance Indicator</u>	<u>Baseline Number</u>
To maintain the number of detectives receiving domestic violence training to ensure a coordinated community response to victims/survivors of DV during the grant period	The number of detectives who receive training in 2019	The baseline will be 13 because 13 detectives will receive this training in 2018.
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Performance Data Collection: The Division of Police and Law Department will maintain all records regarding the training offered to police officers and prosecutors. The Law Department and Division of Police will collect and maintain data regarding the number of victims who are provided services through new protocols for limited English proficient. Data will be provided to the Cleveland grants coordinator on a monthly basis for grant reporting requirements. Data will also be disseminated and analyzed at collaboration board meetings to determine the effectiveness of both goals. Both the Cleveland Division of Police and the Law Department are well versed in the laws regarding confidentiality, and have rules and procedures in place to ensure the anonymity and confidentiality of victims.

Timeline and Activities

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	To increase by 10% of the limited English proficient victims who are provided interpretation services during	Collaborate on reviewing LEP protocols and making any needed modifications	March 1, 2019	Police, Prosecutor, WV/SC
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VAWA - Prosecution

Cleveland Law Department – Cleveland Domestic Violence Project

Narrative

Problem Statement/Underserved Population:

The city of Cleveland is applying for funding, under Program Area VA 2: Enhancement Efforts, to continue the successful Cleveland Domestic Violence Project, a vital partnership of prosecutors from the Cleveland Law Department, detectives from the Cleveland Division of Police, and victim advocates from the Cuyahoga County Witness/Victim Service Center.

Nature and Scope of Problem: Domestic violence, stalking, and crimes resulting from domestic abuse continue to adversely affect the residents of the City of Cleveland. According to Cleveland Police Radio, 40% of all calls for service in the City of Cleveland are related to domestic violence. In 2017 that amounted to 17,772 calls, an average of 49 calls every day. It infiltrates all ethnic, racial, and economic communities and can be found in all neighborhoods in the City. Cleveland is a diverse city with a population of approximately 385,809 people and a staggering poverty rate of 36%. (July 2016 census estimates). Cleveland also ranks amongst the most violent cities in the country according to 2017 and prior years Universal Crime Reporting stats.

Consequences: The potential outcome of the failure to fund this project is that the city of Cleveland will be forced to re-assign all or some of the police detectives who are currently assigned to the project and lay-off all or some of the prosecutors and law clerks who are currently assigned to the project. The short term consequence would be a dramatic reduction in the number of victims who could be served. The long term consequences could be an end to the entire program and all DV victims in Cleveland being forced to traverse the justice system without the aid of dedicated detectives and specially trained prosecutors. This would lead to

fewer victims following through with prosecution, fewer successful convictions of DV perpetrators, and more repeated incidents of domestic violence.

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Department of Public Safety and Justice Services

Subgrant Application Title Page

Subgrantee Name	City of Cleveland, Law Department				
Program Area	VA 2 - Enhance Efforts (Prosecution)				
Title of Project 35 Character Maximum	Cleveland Domestic Violence Project				
Project Period	01/01/2019 - 12/31/2019				
Total Budget	\$187,290.08				
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**Office of Criminal Justice Services
Detailed Budget Application**

Subgrant Number:

PART A - BUDGET REQUEST BY RESOURCE

	Amount	Percentage %
OCJS Funds Requested:	\$140,467.56	75.00%
Cash Match	\$46,822.52	25.00%
In-Kind Match		0.00%
Total Project Budget:	\$187,290.08	100.00%

Identify the Source of Match:

City of Cleveland General Fund

PART B - BUDGET REQUEST BY COST CATEGORY

Please note that both the OCJS & matching costs are to be included in following sections.

Section 1 - Personnel Costs

Salaries and Personnel

Name/ Vacant	Title	No. Hrs.	Hrly Rate	Total
Verlinda Powell	Prosecutor	1025	25.71	\$26,352.75
Mark Jablonski	Prosecutor	1025	25.71	\$26,352.75
Joan Bascone	Prosecutor	1025	27.04	\$27,716.00
Sharon Ross	Prosecutor	1025	22.43	\$22,990.75
Karrie Howard	Chief Prosecutor/Supervisor	710	46.26	\$32,844.60
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Vacant	Law Clerk/Paralegal	1192	15.05	\$17,939.60
Salary Subtotal:				\$174,513.95

Employer's Share of Fringe Benefits:

Fringe Benefits	Rate (%)	Total Yearly Wages	Total Cost
PERS (government agencies)		0	0
FICA (private agencies)		0	0
Retirement (private agencies)		0	0
Worker's Compensation		0	0
Unemployment Comp. (max 2.00% on first \$9,000)		0	0
Medicate Medicare)		0	0
Health Insurance			
Fill in the formula: \$ (Monthly Rate) x (# Months) x (FTE)			0
Fringe Subtotal:			0

Section 1 - Personnel Total:

\$174,513.95

Narrative Required: Provide justification for each position; list job duties. Prosecutors review the file and attempt to make contact with the victim in a case. Our D v prosecutors handle the case from first pretrial through final disposition. They actively engage in evidence based prosecution in every case and work with participating victims on cases to try to get a successful resolution. The Prosecutor/Supervisor will oversee the repeat cases and present the Misdemeanor overflow cases in court. The Law Clerk/Paralegal provides valuable assistance to the Prosecutors. Prosecutors are assigned to the program on a full-time basis, but this grant only covers a portion of their salaries. The city of Cleveland covers their fringe benefits.

Section 2 - Consultants/Contracts

Name	Fee		Total
			0
			0

0

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0

Narrative Required: Provide justification, method of procurement and basis of selection.

We will contract with a company to create a case management system that will allow us to better track DV cases through the justice system

Section 3 - Travel

A. Auto	No. Miles	Per Mile	Total
	0	0	0
	0	0	0

B. Commercial	Destination	Fare	Total
Airfare for 5 people	DV National Conference	600	\$3,000.00
		0	

C. Per Diem: (Meal & Lodging Only)	No. of days	Rate	Total
Meals 5 people x 6 days x 1 conference	30	50	\$1,500.00
Lodging 5 people x 5 days x 1 conference	25	190	\$4,750.00

D. Other (Specify):	No. Items	Rate	Total
Conference Registration 5 people x 1 conference	5	600	\$3,000.00

Section 3 - Travel Total**\$12,250.00**

Narrative Required: Provide justification for travel. Costs must relate to the project staff & objectives.

We will send 5 prosecutors to the Annual National Multi-Disciplinary Conference on Domestic Violence. The conference is coordinated by the National District Attorney's Association and focuses on DV programs that include partnerships with law enforcement, prosecution and victim services like Cleveland's program. We believe it is important for them to be exposed to new trends in serving the victims of domestic violence and to share knowledge and experiences with their peers working on similar programs.

Section 4- Equipment

Item(s) Being Purchased	Quantity	Unit Price	Total
	0	0	0
	1	0	0
	0	0	0
	0	0	0
	0	0	0
	0	0	0
	0	0	0
	0	0	0
	0	0	0
	0	0	0

Section 4 - Equipment Total

0

Narrative Required: Provide justification for the equipment requested.

Section 5 - Supplies

List of Items to be Purchased	Quantity	Unit Price	Total
General Office Supplies	Various	Various	\$526.13
	0	0	
	0	0	0
	0	0	0
	0	0	0
	0	0	0
	0	0	0

Section 5- Supplies Total

\$526.13

Narrative Required: Provide justification for the supplies; provide allocation method.

General office supplies such as pens, ink cartridges, paper, etc...

Section 6 - Other Costs

Other Charges	Cost	Terms	Total
Rent-Facilities	0	0	0
Cost of Ownership	0	0	0
Telephone	0	0	0
Utilities	0	0	0
Bookkeeping/Audit	0	0	0
Maintenance	0	0	0
Clerical	0	0	0
Auto Lease/ST Rental	0	0	0
Equipment Lease/ST Rental	0	0	0
Photocopying	0	0	0
Printing	0	0	0
Internet air cards for 3 laptops	0	0	0
Other (Specify)	0	0	0
Other (Specify)	0	0	0

Section 6 - Other Costs Total

Narrative Required: Provide justification for other costs; provide allocation methods where appropriate.

Section 7 - Confidential Funds (Applies to Drug Task Force Projects Only)

Implementing Agency Confidential Funds	Total
0	0

Section 7 - Confidential Fund Total

Narrative Required: Provide justification for Confidential Funds.

Section 8 - Indirect Costs

Amount of Direct Costs Less Equipment	Percent 0 to 10%	Total
0	0.00%	0

Section 8 - Indirect Cost Total

Narrative Required: Provide justification for Indirect Cost; attach a copy of your federally approved plan.

PART C- BUDGET REQUEST BY RESOURCE & COST CATEGORY

	1. Matching Funds		2. OCJS Funds	3. Total
	Cash	Inkind		
1. Personnel	\$43,628.49		\$130,885.46	\$174,513.95
2. Consultant/Contracts	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
3. Travel	\$3,062.50		\$9,187.50	\$12,250.00
4. Equipment	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
5. Supplies	\$131.53		\$394.60	\$526.13
6. Other Costs	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
7. Confidential Funds				\$0.00
8. Indirect Cost				\$0.00
9. Total Project Budget	\$46,822.52		\$140,467.56	\$187,290.08

Narrative: Federal, State and Local Funding Sources-please provide information on funding that is received by your Agency that is relevant to this project applied for. Include the source, amount received, and year funds were awarded.

We currently have a FY2017 STOP VAWA grant for \$122,634.42

Do you have other funding resources not identified above?

Yes No

X

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