



December 22, 2015

TO: ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

RE: UNSERVED/UNDERSERVED VICTIM ADVOCACY AND OUTREACH (UV) PROGRAM AND UNSERVED/UNDERSERVED VICTIM ADVOCACY AND OUTREACH (XV) PROGRAM, FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

The California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES), Criminal Justice/Emergency Management & Victim Services Branch, is soliciting proposals for the Unserved/Underserved Victim Advocacy and Outreach (UV) Program and the one-time Unserved/Underserved Victim Advocacy and Outreach (XV) Program for fiscal year 2015-2016.

The UV and XV Programs have identical objectives and will focus on service delivery to victims of violent crime within unserved/underserved and socially isolated populations. In addition, it is designed to fund the awareness and to improve knowledge about accessing local services available to crime victims. They will be funded on different funding cycles due to the availability of funds.

In December 2014, President Obama signed into law the "Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015." This bill raises the Crime Victim Fund cap from \$745 million to \$2.361 billion, allowing awards to states through the VOCA Victim Assistance Formula Grant Program to quadruple for 2015. It is unknown if this funding level will be sustained for future years, therefore, Cal OES is supporting the XV Program for a one-time, 24-month grant period only.

Cal OES intends to fund the following:

- UV Program – 40 projects at up to \$175,000/year for a five-year funding cycle, requiring an annual reapplication
- XV Program – 27 projects for up to \$350,000 for a one-time, 24-month grant period

The 40 top-ranked eligible proposals will be funded through the UV Program. The next highest ranked 27 proposals will be funded through the XV Program. All applicants must apply for the UV Program and budget for one, 12-month grant period. Applicants selected for funding through the XV Program will be required to revise their budgets to reflect one, 24-month grant period.

Proposals will be rated and ranked competitively. Applicants should read this Request for Proposal (RFP) carefully to ensure proposals contain required elements. Please refer to the RFP for the proposal due date and submission options.

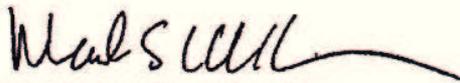
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The UV and XV Programs are supported with Victims of Crime Act Victim Assistance Formula Grant Program funds. Approximately \$7,000,000 is available for the UV Program for 2015-2016 for a grant period beginning April 1, 2016, and ending March 31, 2017. Approximately \$9,456,250 is available for the XV Program for 2015-2016 for a grant period beginning April 1, 2016 and ending March 31, 2018. **To receive funding through the UV or XV Program, the application package must be received or postmarked by February 16, 2016.**

**PLEASE NOTE:** Due to the changes in the new OMB Uniform Guidance CFR2, Part 200, (Super Circular), the 2015 Subrecipient Handbook (SRH) will not be released until later this year. Until that time, you may continue to use the 2014 SubRecipient Handbook (RH). However, some changes that will eventually be included in the 2015 SRH were made to this document; therefore this document supersedes the 2014 RH.

Questions regarding this RFP must be submitted in writing to Elizabeth Pollard, Program Specialist, via email at [Elizabeth.Pollard@caloes.ca.gov](mailto:Elizabeth.Pollard@caloes.ca.gov). Thank you for your interest in this Program and we look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



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