

# FY 2025 BUDGET REQUEST

## **DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**





# OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

The FY 2025 President's Budget for the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) totals \$800.0 million, which is \$100.0 million more than the FY 2023 Enacted Budget. Included in this amount is \$108.8 million in funding that supports programs and initiatives in Indian country and Alaska Native Villages. That is a \$27.8 million increase from the FY 2023 Enacted Budget.

#### **Five Priorities that Guided the FY25 Budget Request:**

- 1. Supporting projects that meaningfully address the needs of underserved and marginalized survivors
- 2. Improving access to justice
- 3. Enhancing survivor safety
- 4. Holding offenders accountable
- 5. Building a coordinated community response to prevent and address domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking



# PROGRAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS

#### **During a recent** *six-month* **period:**

- Improving Criminal Justice Response Program grantees reported serving more than 36,900 victims, training more than 25,000 people, responding to more than 85,000 calls to law enforcement, and prosecuting thousands of cases
- Legal Assistance for Victims grantees reported providing assistance with 23,600+ legal issues on behalf of clients, including protection orders, divorce, custody, and visitation issues
- Transitional Housing Program grantees provided more than 90,400 bed nights to victims and 111,100 bed nights to their children/dependents
- Rural Program Grantees served more than 13,000 survivors, answered 13,770 hotline calls, law enforcement responded to at least 480 calls for service, and more than 750 cases were accepted by prosecutors

#### **During a recent** *year***:**

- The STOP Program funds every state and territory for police, prosecution, courts, and services
- Subgrantees served more than 340,000 survivors with services including crisis intervention, counseling services and support groups, and legal advocacy
- STOP subgrantees provided 11,400+ family members with more than 620,100 bed nights in emergency shelter STOP subgrantees trained more than 255,000 people, a significant percentage of whom were law enforcement officers
- Sexual Assault Services Program subgrantees served more than 45,000 survivors of sexual assault



#### VICTIM SERVICES

# **Legal Assistance for Victims Program**

Request: \$60 million (\$5M over FY23 enacted)

- Increases the availability of civil and criminal legal assistance to adult and youth victims.
- Helps survivors access protection orders as well as addressing issues including child custody, immigration, housing and employment.
- LAV's new initiative supports entities that do not yet have a legal representation program and need assistance establishing one.

#### **Sexual Assault Services Program**

Request: \$90 million (\$11.5M over FY23 enacted)

• Directs grant dollars to states and territories to support rape crisis centers and other nonprofit, nongovernmental organizations or tribal programs that provide core services, direct intervention, and related assistance to victims of sexual assault.

#### **Transitional Housing Program**

Request: \$55 million (\$5M over FY23 enacted)

- Ensures grantees can meet the ever-growing need for safe housing and rental assistance for victims.
- Provides supportive services to assist victims and their children, including childcare and employment services, safety planning, and transportation assistance.



# COORDINATED COMMUNITY RESPONSE (CCR)

# Improving Criminal Justice Responses (ICJR) Program

Request: \$68 million (\$7.5M over FY23 enacted)

- Funds coordinated community responses to sexual assault and domestic violence where victim services providers, justice professionals, healthcare personnel, and others work together to help victims navigate the aftermath of violence.
- Supports effective strategies including specialized law enforcement and prosecution units, sexual assault medical forensic examinations, and assistance with obtaining protection orders.

#### **Rural Program**

Request: \$52.5 million (\$2.5M over FY23 enacted)

- Supports services for survivors in rural jurisdictions, including legal assistance, as well as strategies to address sexual assault and special needs of victims in remote areas.
- Encourages collaboration among justice system professionals, victim services providers, and the healthcare sector.



# SUPPORT FOR HISTORICALLY MARGINALIZED AND UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES

#### **Culturally Specific Services Program**

Request: \$15 million (\$4M over FY23 enacted)

\*Also funded by set asides

 Supports culturally specific community-based organizations to enhance access to services and resources for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking who may face additional obstacles to accessing services and navigating the criminal and civil justice systems

#### **LGBT Specific Services Program**

Request: \$4 million (\$3M over FY23 enacted)

• Broadens OVW's reach to LGBT victims, who are disproportionately affected by violence and face greater barriers to safety.

#### **Underserved Populations Program**

Request: \$5 million (equal to FY23 enacted)

\*Also funded by set asides

 Supports projects to develop and implement outreach strategies and enhanced services for adult and youth victims of domestic and sexual violence in underserved populations.



# SUPPORT FOR TRIBAL COMMUNITIES

Within the FY 2025 President's Budget for OVW (\$800 million), \$108.8 million supports programs and initiatives in Indian country and Alaska Native Villages. That is a \$27.8 million increase from the FY 2023 Enacted Budget.

#### **Special Tribal Criminal Jurisdiction Grant Program**

Request: \$25 million (\$14M over FY23 enacted)

- Supports Indian tribes in exercising Special Tribal Criminal Jurisdiction.
- Up to 40% of the appropriation may be used to reimburse tribal governments or their designees for a broad range of expenses incurred in exercising Special Tribal Criminal Jurisdiction, including investigations, arrests, prosecutions, detention, supervision, indigent defense counsel, treatment, rehabilitation, and re-entry services.

Special Initiative to Address the Intersection of Missing or Murdered Indigenous Persons (MMIP) and Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, Dating Violence, and Sex Trafficking

Request: \$10 million (\$10M over FY23 enacted)

- Provides resources to tribal communities that are developing programs, policies, and practices aimed at ending domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, and sex trafficking.
- Provides necessary financial, technical assistance, and training resources to support the creation, training, and sustainability of Healing and Response Teams (HRTs).



#### **NEW PROGRAMS**

#### **Cybercrime Enforcement Program**

Request \$10 million (\$10M over FY23 enacted)

 Supports efforts by States, Tribes, and units of local government to prevent, enforce, and prosecute cybercrimes against individuals, including the use of technology to harass, threaten, stalk, extort, or coerce an individual or engage in the nonconsensual distribution of intimate images of an adult.

# National Resource Center on Cybercrimes Against Individuals

Request \$4 million (\$4M over FY23 enacted)

- Provides information, training, and technical assistance to improve the capacity of individuals, organizations, governmental entities, and communities to prevent, enforce, and prosecute cybercrimes against individuals.
- Ensures that methods for detecting, investigating, prosecuting, and preventing cybercrimes keep pace with rapidly evolving technologies.



#### **NEW PROGRAMS**

# Access to Sexual Assault Nurse Exams (SANEs)

Request \$20 million (\$20M over FY23 enacted)

 Helps address nationwide gaps in the availability and quality of post-sexual assault medical forensic exams.

# National Service Line for Incarcerated Survivors of Sexual Abuse

Request \$3 million (\$3M over FY23 enacted)

- Launches and maintains a national service line for incarcerated survivors of sexual abuse, to provide support services to survivors in local, State, tribal, and Federal confinement facilities.
- Supports coordination efforts with victim service providers.
- Offers technical assistance to victim service providers working with incarcerated victims.



#### Tribal Communities Funding (\$ in thousands)

Office on Violence Against Women Grant Program	FY 2023 Enacted Budget	FY 2025 President's Budget
Tribal Governments Program	49,300	51,450
Tribal Coalitions Program	8,364	8,853
Tribal Sexual Assault Services Program	7,850	9,000
Program of Research on Violence Against AI/AN Women	1,000	1,000
National Tribal Clearinghouse on Sexual Assault	500	500
Tribal Jurisdiction Program	11,000	25,000
Tribal Special Assistant United States Attorney Program	3,000	3,000
Special Initiative to Address the Intersection of MMIP & Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, Dating Violence, and Sex Trafficking	0	10,000
TOTAL	\$ 81,014	\$ 108,803



FY 2025 President's Budget Request - OVW Program Summary (New & Existing Programs) (\$ in thousands)			
Office on Violence Against Women Grant Program	FY 2023 Enacted Budget	FY 2025 President's Budget	Program Change
Grants to Combat Violence Against Women (STOP)	\$255,000	\$255,000	\$(
Sexual Assault Survivor's Bill of Rights	[\$10,000]	[\$4,000]	[-\$6,000
Research and Eval. Violence Against Women (NIJ)	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$
Transitional Housing	\$50,000	\$55,000	\$5,00
Consolidated Youth Program	\$17,000	\$20,000	\$3,000
Engaging Men and Youth in Prevention	[\$3,500]	\$0	[-\$3,500
Improving Criminal Justice Responses (Arrest)	\$60,500	\$68,000	\$7,50
Policing and Prosecution Initiative	[\$8,000]	\$0	[-\$8,000
Prosecution and Investigation of Online Harassment & Abuse	[\$1,000]	\$0	[-\$1,000
Homicide Reduction Initiative	[\$4,000]	[\$4,000]	\$
Domestic Violence Firearms Lethality Reduction	[\$4,000]	[\$4,000]	\$
Rural	\$50,000	\$52,500	\$2,50
Legal Assistance to Victims	\$55,000	\$60,000	\$5,00
Justice for Families	\$22,000	\$22,000	s
Campus Violence	\$25,000	\$25,000	s
HBCU, Hispanic-Serving Institutions, Tribal Colleges Set-aside	[\$12,500]	[\$12,500]	s
Disabilities Program	\$12,000	\$12,000	S
National Deaf Services	\$2,000	\$2,000	s
Elder Program	\$9,000	\$9,000	S
Sexual Assault Services	\$78,500	\$90,000	\$11,50
Indian Country - Sexual Assault Clearinghouse	\$500	\$500	s
National Resource Center on Workplace Response	\$1,000	\$1,000	S
Research on Violence Against Indian Women (NIJ)	\$1,000	\$1,000	S
Special Tribal Criminal Jurisdiction	\$11,000	\$25,000	\$14,00
Rape Survivor Child Custody Act	\$2,500	\$1,500	-\$1,00
Restorative Practices	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$ 5
Culturally Specific Services	\$11,000	\$15,000	\$4.00
Underserved Populations Program	\$5,000	5.000	\$4,00
Tribal Special Assistant United States Attorneys	\$3,000	\$3,000	S
Financial Assistance Program	\$4,000	\$4,000	Š
LGBT Specific Services Program	\$1,000	\$4,000	\$3,00
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Pilot Program to Improve Victims Services on College Campuses	\$1,500	\$3,000	-\$1,50
National Service Line for Incarcerated Survivors of SA (New)	\$1,300	\$3,000	\$3,00
· ·	\$0	\$20,000	\$20,00
Access to Sexual Assault Nurse Exams (New)	\$0	\$20,000	
Local Law Enforcement Grants for Enforcement of Cybercrimes (New)		,	\$10,00
National Cybercrime Resource (New)	\$0	\$4,000	\$4,00
Special Initiative to Address the Intersection of Missing or Murdered Indigenou Persons & Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, & Human Trafficking (Ne	ew) \$0	\$10,000	\$10,00
VAWA Tribal Government Grants	[\$49,300]	[\$51,450]	[\$2,150
VAWA Tribal Coalitions Grants	[\$8,364]	[\$8,854]	[\$490
OVW Management and Administration	[\$35,062]	[\$38,012]	[\$2,950
Total	\$700,000	\$800,000	\$100,00
Rescission	-\$15,000	-\$15,000	\$
Total with Rescission	\$685,000	\$785,000	\$100,00



#### FY 2025 President's Budget Request - OVW Program Increase (\$ in thousands)

Office on Violence Against Women Grant Program	FY 2023 Enacted Budget	FY 2025 President's Budget	Program Increase
Transitional Housing	\$50,000	\$55,000	\$5,000
Consolidated Youth Program	\$17,000	\$20,000	\$3,000
Improving Criminal Justice Responses (Arrest)	\$60,500	\$68,000	\$7,500
Rural	\$50,000	\$52,500	\$2,500
Legal Assistance to Victims	\$55,000	\$60,000	\$5,000
Sexual Assault Services	\$78,500	\$90,000	\$11,500
Special Tribal Criminal Jurisdiction	\$11,000	\$25,000	\$14,000
Culturally-Specific Services	\$11,000	\$15,000	\$4,000
LGBT Specific Services Program	\$1,000	\$4,000	\$3,000
National Service Line for Incarcerated Survivors of SA	\$0	\$3,000	\$3,000
Access to Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners	\$0	\$20,000	\$20,000
Cybercrime Enforcement	\$0	\$10,000	\$10,000
National Cybercrime Resourse	\$0	\$4,000	\$4,000
Special Initiative to Address the Intersection of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons and Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Human Trafficking	\$0	\$10,000	\$10,000
Total, Program Increase	\$334,000	\$436,500	\$102,500



# FY 2025 President's Budget Request – OVW Program Decrease (\$ in thousands)

Office on Violence Against Women Grant Program	FY 2023 Enacted Budget	FY 2025 President's Budget	Program Decrease
Rape Survivor Child Custody Act	\$2,500	\$1,500	-\$1,000
Pilot Program to Improve Victims Services on College Campuses	\$1,500	\$0	-\$1,500
Total, Program Decrease	\$4,000	\$1,500	-\$2,500



## OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

Sample of Programs Focused on Culturally Specific Services and Services for Underserved Populations

Additional Programs
Focused on Services for
Underserved Populations
Include:

- \$4M LGBT Specific Services
- \$2M Deaf Services
   Line
- \$52.5M RuralServices & Responses
- \$9M Elder Program
- \$12M Disabilities
   Program

Percentage of programs appropiation allocated for underserved and marginalized populations		FY2025	<u>FY2025</u> <u>Allocation</u>
		<u>Request</u>	
Culturally Specific Services			
ICJR	15%	68,000,000	10,200,000
Rural	5%	52,500,000	2,625,000
LAV	5%	60,000,000	3,000,000
Elder	5%	9,000,000	450,000
Disabilities	5%	12,000,000	600,000
FY25 Appropriation	100%	15,000,000	15,000,000
Total Culturally Specific			31,875,000
Outreach for Underserved Pop.			
STOP	2%	255,000,000	5,100,000
ICJR	2%	68,000,000	1,360,000
FY25 Appropiation	100%	5,000,000	5,000,000
Total Outreach			\$ 11,460,000
Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP)			
SASP Culturally Specific (CSSP)	10%	90,000,000	9,000,000
Total SASP	10%		\$ 9,000,000
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HBCU, Hispanic-Serving Institutions, Tribal C Campus Violence	olleges Set-aside	25,000,000	\$ 12,500,000
Campus violence	30%	23,000,000	12,550,000
Combined Total			\$ 64,835,000