

# SURVIVOR SERVICES & PREVENTION FUNDING PRIORITIES

## SEXUAL ASSAULT SERVICES PROGRAM (SASP)

Current funding levels are inadequate.

Across the country, SASP funds support the critical services victims need most.

SASP funds support services in every state.

SASP funds support culturally specific organizations.

SASP funds ensure quality services.

FY2025 Request: \$100 million

## RAPE PREVENTION & EDUCATION PROGRAM (RPE)

We need to increase funding for RPE because we know it is working.

Across the country, states and communities are engaged in cutting-edge prevention projects.

A 2023 survey by the NAESV revealed that 70% of programs saw an increased demand for services while 2/3 of programs reporting reduced service hours said this fell in the areas of public education/prevention.

FY2025 Appropriations Request: \$100 million

## VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT (VOCA) FUND

Rape crisis centers rely on VOCA funds to provide direct services like crisis intervention, counseling, and court accompaniment to victims of sexual assault.

Over 4,000 agencies, including over 1,000 rape crisis centers, rely on VOCA assistance grants to provide critical direct services for over 3.4 million victims a year.

Deposits into the Crime Victim Fund (CVF) fluctuate annually based on DOJ prosecutions, but the fund has drastically declined. The CVF's end-of-year balance for FY2024 was \$1.2 billion, a 90% decrease since FY2017. This shortfall has led to a \$600 million funding cut nationwide to victim assistance programs, forcing them to reduce services or even close.



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Congress passed the VOCA Fix Act in 2021 directing deposits from deferred prosecutions and non-prosecution agreements to the CVF resulting in increased deposits—over \$1 billion as resulted from this change thus far. But this is not sufficient to fully restore the health of the CVF. While we work to increase deposits into the fund, states need a consistent and reliable funding stream: Large fluctuations in the cap hurt survivors and victim services providers.

FY2025 Request: Provide steady funding for the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Crime Victims Fund (CVF) at \$1.9 billion. If the CVF cannot sustain this level of funding, Congress must find other mechanisms to maintain steady funding for this vital program without cutting other victims services programs.

### CRIME VICTIM STABILIZATION ACT H.R. 8061/S. 4514

In order to maintain the health of VOCA during a time of low deposits, the Crime Victims Fund Stabilization Act redirects certain funds collected through the False Claims Act (FCA) into the CVF through FY2029. The FCA holds entities liable for defrauding government agencies. After repaying the defrauded agencies and whistleblowers, the leftover funds remain unobligated. This Act redirects the unobligated funds to the CVF, stabilizing it with resources not collected from taxpayers. This legislation supports victim assistance programs, ensuring their continued operation. The bill is bipartisan and bicameral. The House bill, H.R. 8061, has over 100 co-sponsors.

### HHS DEMONSTRATION INITIATIVE

FY2025 Request: \$30 million for a demonstration program to support comprehensive and collaborative service delivery for adult survivors of child sexual abuse and sexual assault survivors while deepening capacity and technical assistance at the Office of Family Violence Prevention and Services.

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