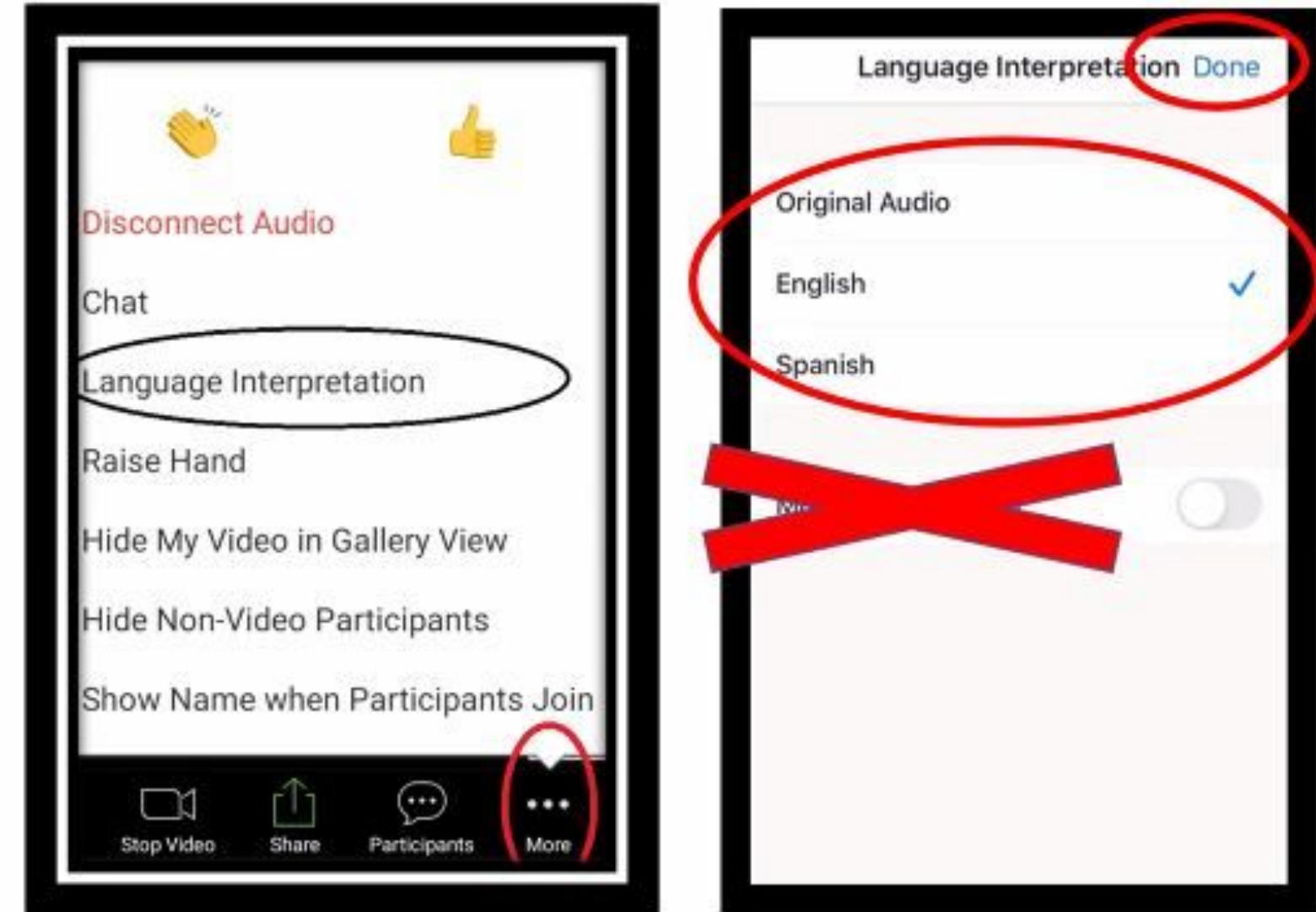


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Funding Your Housing Work

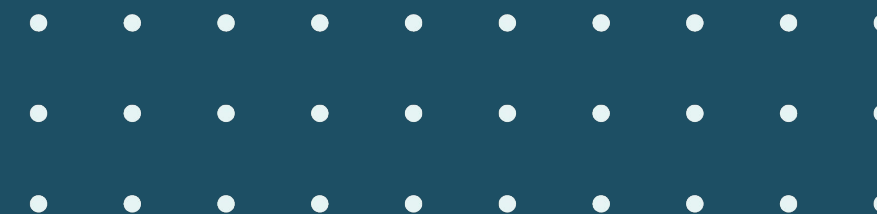
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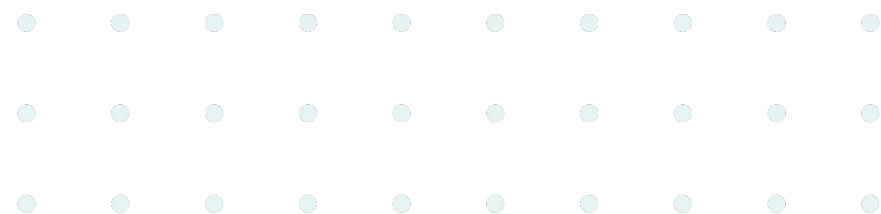
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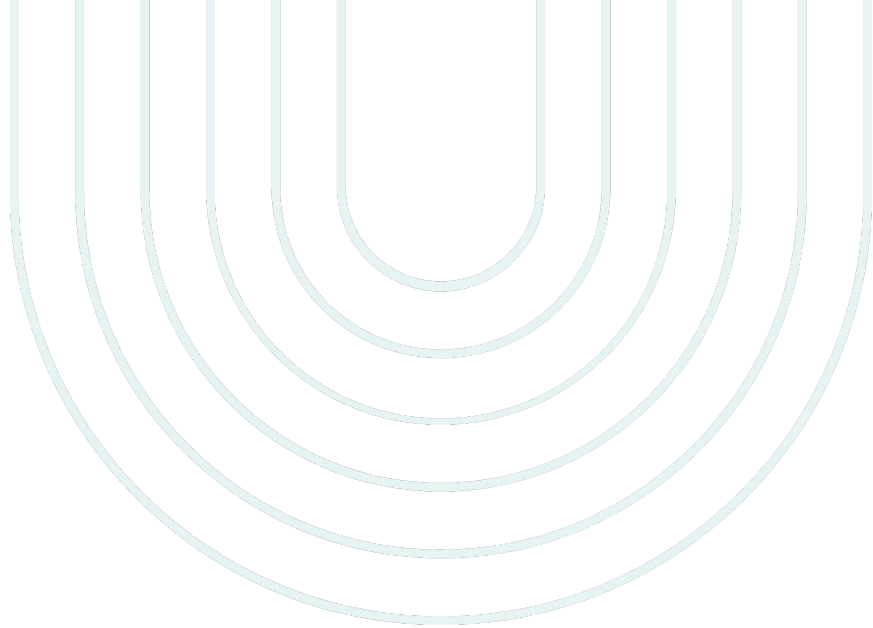


Funding as a Barrier to Housing Work

- Funding is a significant barrier for coalitions and programs, especially culturally specific programs.
- A majority of organizations serving sexual assault survivors lack dedicated housing funding.
- Lack of funding does not mean survivors accessing services no longer have housing needs.
- More often than not it means staff take on extra responsibilities or refer a survivor to an outside housing resource to assist.
- Each of these options raises potential pitfalls.
- Although survivors of sexual assault have clear housing needs, limited staff capacity due to inadequate and inequitable funding leads to gaps in services including meeting housing needs.



Office on Violence Against Women (OVW)



OVW provides funding for a variety of programs that address sexual assault, domestic violence, stalking and dating violence. OVW funding opportunities that can support housing work with survivors of sexual assault include:

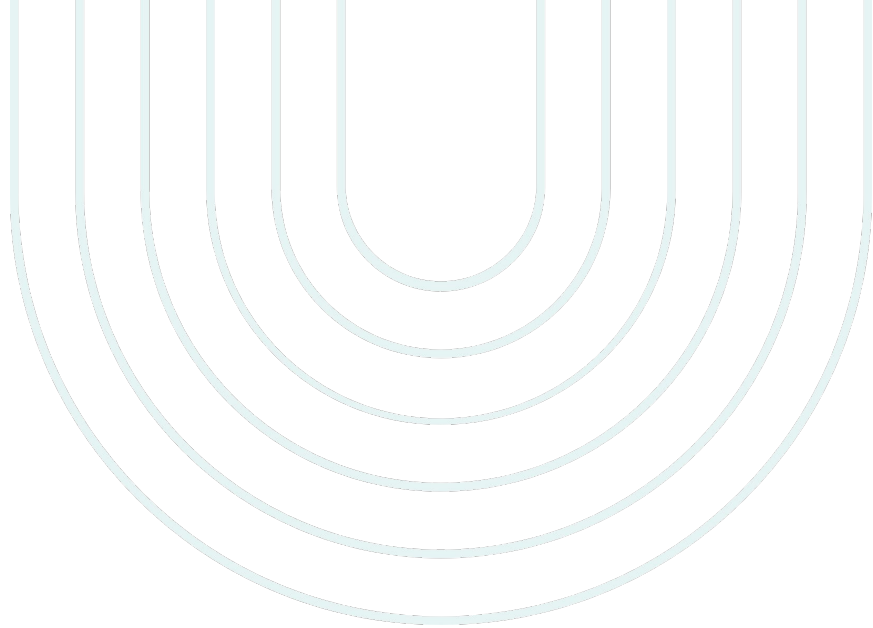
- Transitional Housing Assistance Grants for Victims of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking
- Sexual Assault Services Formula Program
- *Grants to Enhance Culturally Specific Services for Victims of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking



The Transitional Housing Program

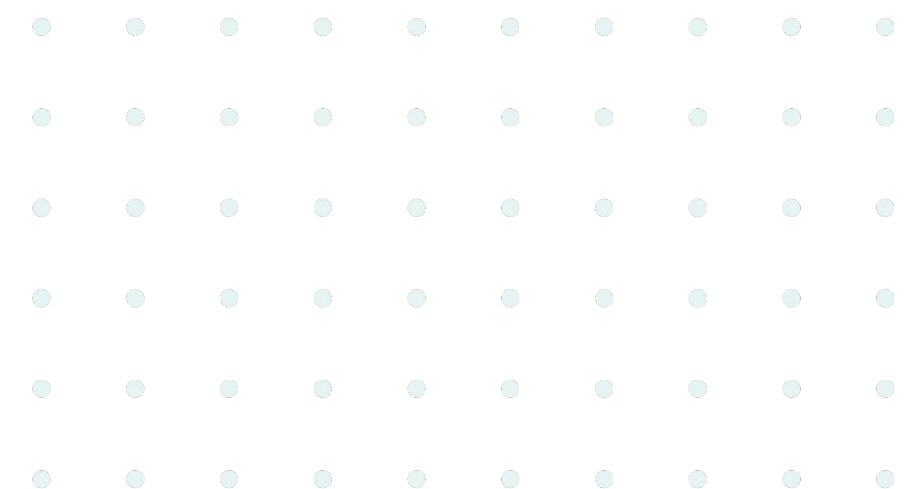
- Supports programs that provide 6-24 months of transitional housing with support services for victims who are homeless or in need of transitional housing as a result of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, and when emergency shelter services or other crisis intervention services are unavailable.
- Eligible applicants include tribal, state and local governments and organizations with a documented history of effective work concerning domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.
- 3 Purpose Areas.
- Activities include:
 - 6-24 months of transitional housing assistance,
 - 3-12 months of follow-up support services after exit,
 - legal assistance in housing and employment,
 - support services are voluntary.





Sexual Assault Services Formula Grant Program (SASP)

- Awarded to states and territories to assist in supporting rape crisis centers and other nonprofit, non governmental organizations or tribal programs that provide services, direct intervention, and related assistance to victims of sexual assault and their families.
- Solely directed to the provision of direct intervention and related assistance for victims of sexual assault.
- Allows direct payments to victims of sexual assault or family household member for costs related to the sexual assault including costs related to securing new or temporary housing (security deposit, first month's rent, or moving expenses).

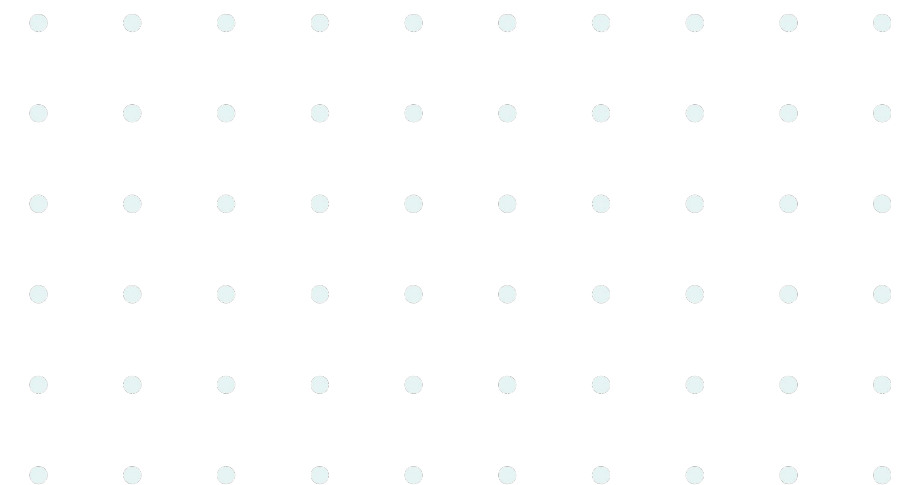


Office for Victims of Crime (OVC)



Victims of Crime Assistance (VOCA) Grants

- Support programs and services for victims of crime by providing funding to states, territories, and local governments.
- Funds are eligible to be utilized in a variety of ways including to provide emergency housing, transitional housing programs, costs related to relocation (reasonable moving expenses, travel), security deposits, rental assistance, and utility startup costs

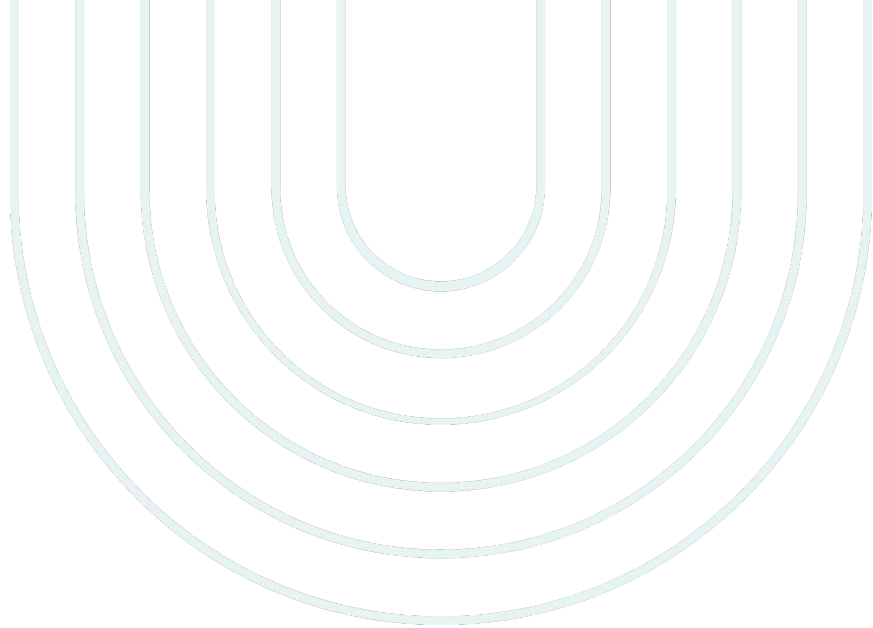


Crime Victims Fund

- Established by the Victims of Crime Act.
- Financed by federal fines and other penalties imposed on offenders in federal criminal cases, NOT taxpayer dollars.
- Additionally federal revenues can be deposited into the Fund from donations, gifts, and bequests by private parties.
- Funds collected support victim compensation programs and victims assistance services.



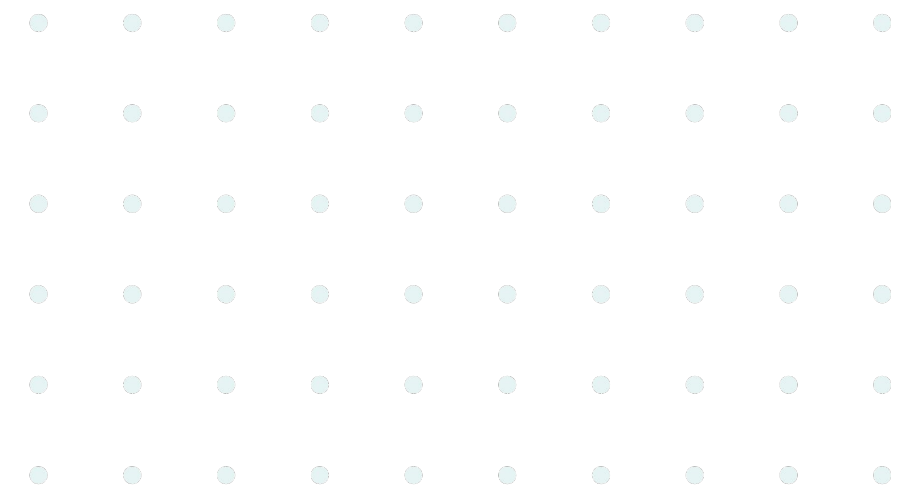
Office of Family Violence Prevention and Services (OFVPS)

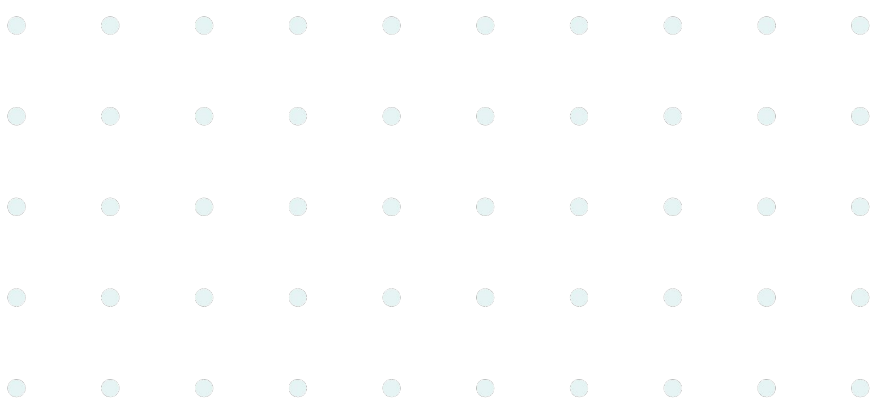


Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA)*

- Provides funding to states and territories to support services that assist survivors of domestic violence and their dependents.
- Funds can be used to support provision of emergency shelter and other related assistance.

** Only supports domestic violence*





Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) ARP Sexual Assault Supplemental

- Moving expenses
- Safe Homes
- Hotel/Motel Vouchers
- Emergency and immediate shelter
- Temporary refuge or lodging in individual units (apartments)

**Ends September 30, 2025*

US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

**HUD's missions is to create strong,
sustainable, inclusive communities and
quality affordable homes for all.**

Public Housing

Housing Choice
Vouchers

Section 811 Supportive Housing for
People with Disabilities

236 Multifamily
Assistance

**Community Development
Block Grants**

HOME Investment
Partnership Grants

**Emergency Solutions
Grants (ESG)**

Continuum of Care (CoC)

Housing Counseling

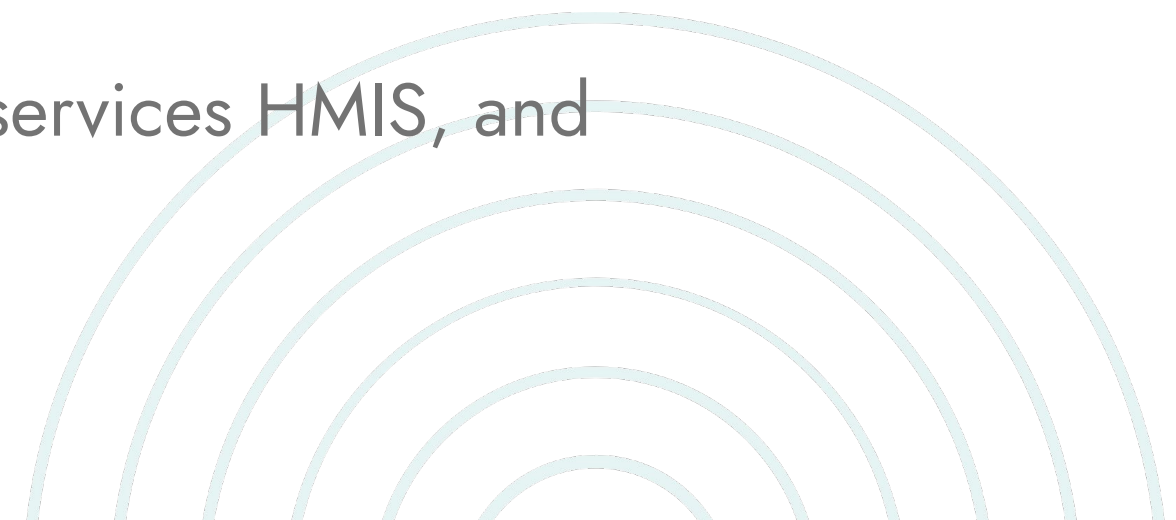


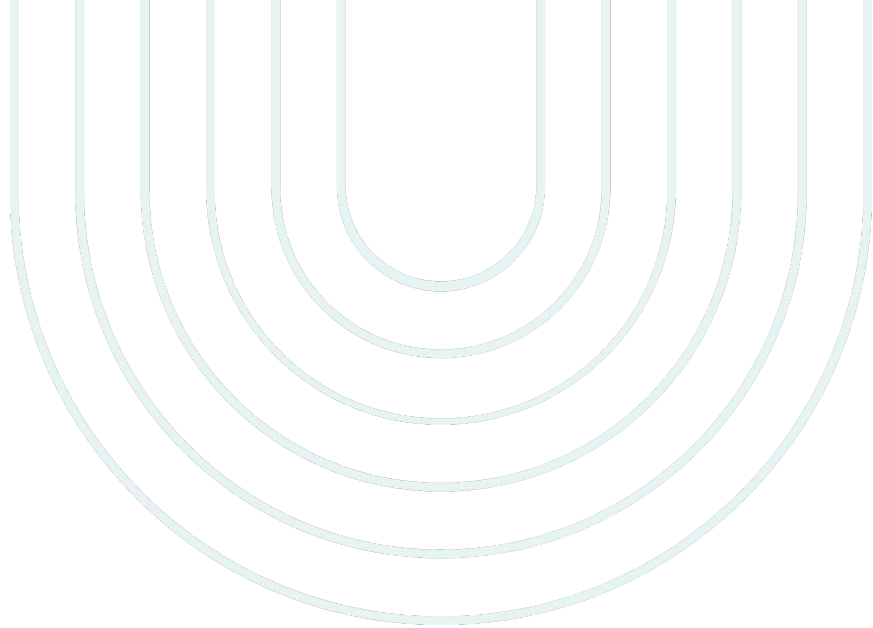
Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG)

- Funding is provided to states, territories and local governments.
- The ESG program provides funding to: (1) engage homeless individuals and families living on the street; (2) improve the number and quality of emergency shelters for homeless individuals and families; (3) help operate these shelters; (4) provide essential services to shelter residents, (5) rapidly rehouse homeless individuals and families, and (6) prevent families/individuals from becoming homeless.
- Can be used to support rental assistance.

Continuum of Care (CoC)

- This is an annual competitive grant process for eligible applicants (public housing agencies, nonprofits, state and local governments).
- The Program is designed to promote community-wide planning and strategic use of resources to address homelessness; improve coordination and integration with mainstream resources and other programs targeted to people experiencing homelessness; improve data collection and performance measurement; and allow each community to tailor its programs to the strengths and challenges in assisting homeless individuals and families within that community.
- Supports permanent housing, transitional housing, supportive services HMIS, and homelessness prevention.





Community Development Block Grants

- The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program supports community development activities to build stronger and more resilient communities.
- CDBG Program provides annual grants to states, cities, and counties to support viable community development.
- Activities may address needs such as infrastructure, economic development projects, public facilities installation, community centers, housing rehabilitation, public services, homeowner assistance, etc.





- Public housing
- Section 8 Vouchers
- Project-based Section 8
- Section 202 Supportive Housing for the Elderly
- Section 811 Supportive Housing for People with Disabilities
- 221d3/d5 Below Market Interest Rate
- 236 Multifamily Rental Housing
- HOME
- HOPWA (Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS/HIV)
- McKinney-Vento Homelessness Programs
- Housing Trust Fund & Direct Loan

- Low Income Housing Tax Credit

- Rural Development Multifamily Programs
- RD Vouchers

- OVW Transitional Housing Assistance Grants

- The Grant and Per Diem Program
- The Supportive Services for Veteran Families Program
- HUD-Veterans Affairs Supporting Housing



Under VAWA, Survivors of Sexual Assault...

- may not be denied admission or assistance, threatened with eviction/assistance termination because of the violence committed against them or due to trauma they experienced.
- must receive a notice of VAWA housing rights (Form HUD-5380) and VAWA Self-Certification Form (Form HUD-5382) when admitted, denied admission or program assistance, and when they receive an eviction or termination notice.
- can request a perpetrator/person causing harm be removed from the lease or housing unit.
- may move with continued assistance (specifically for participants with Housing Choice Vouchers or Tenant-based Rental Assistance).
- may stay in their current unit, even if there is (or has been) criminal activity that is directly related to the violence or trauma.
- can expect strict confidentiality of their information related to the violence and trauma they experience, including their status as a victim.

Thank you.


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Questions?



**SA Housing Collaborative Monthly
Office Hours**
Third Thursday of the month at 2pm ET

Resources

- Exploring the Interactions of Sexual Assault and Housing
- OVW Funding Opportunities
- OVW NOFO FY25 Release Plan
- OVC VOCA
- OFVPS
- OFVPS ARP Sexual Assault Supplemental
- HUD Emergency Solutions Grants
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