

2026-2027 STOP VAWA APPLICANT INFORMATION SESSION

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2026-2027 VAWA STOP GRANT PROGRAM

RELEASE DATE:

- Tuesday, April 7, 2026

NEW Listserv

- NCC-GRANTS-VICTIMSERVICES@LISTSERV.NEBRASKA.GOV

AWARD PERIOD:

- July 1, 2026 – December 31, 2027 (18 months)

AMOUNT TO BE AWARDED:

- STOP: \$1,425,000 (125.3% increase over 2025-26)
- SASP: \$850,000 (173.3% increase over 2025-26)

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

- Tuesday, May 5, 2026 by 5:00 PM (CDT)

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APPLICATION REVIEW (PER RFA)

Review criteria:

- eligibility
- risk assessment
- adherence to program requirements
- completeness, clarity, continuity, and consistency

Include information indicating:

- alignment with grant application template
- potential duplication and coordination of resources
- ability and capacity to make an impact
- grant management capacity (risk assessment)
- cost effectiveness

Additionally:

- Amount of funds available
- Priorities described
- History of spend-down consistency
- History of financial and programmatic reporting requirements and deadlines
- Prior measurable performance/effectiveness of programs
- Data-based and/or evidence-informed merits
- Sustainability plans and/or match funds

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REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS (RFA)

1. Program Overview | STOP
2. Program Description | STOP
3. Application Contents & Submission Requirements
4. Application Review
5. Grant Management Requirements

1. Appendix A: Definitions
2. Appendix B: Purpose Areas
3. Appendix C: Use of Funds
4. Appendix D: Resources
5. Appendix E: Application Scoring
6. Appendix F: NCC Victim Services Grant Programs: Organization & Program Type Definitions
7. Appendix G: NCC Grant Project Problem-Solving Process

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APPLICATION MATERIALS

NCC Applicant Eligibility Screening Form STOP

NCC Applicant Risk Assessment Form

2026-2027 STOP Application Template

- Signature page

2026-2027 STOP Application Performance Measures

2026-2027 STOP Application Budget Request

NCC Application Certified Assurances STOP

Applications are to be prepared using provided templates.

- NCC will correct formula errors.
- NCC may overwrite applicant edits to formulas.
- Please confirm totals are accurate.

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ATTACHMENTS 1

SAM Registration

- Does NOT need to be active
- DOES need to match application (UEI)

Organizational Chart

Acknowledgement of Statutory Confidentiality Requirements

Memorandums of Commitment (MOC) or Letters of Support

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ATTACHMENTS 2

Conditionally Required

Non-Profit Verification
IRS Form 990 or equivalent
Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
Job Descriptions
Agency Policies
Victim-Centered Prosecution Policy
Delivery of Legal Assistance Certification Letter
Indirect Cost Rate Agreement

Applicant Discretion

Other Attachments

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BASIC FORMS

NCC Applicant Eligibility Screening Form

- ***Start Here***
- Signed by Project Point of Contact (PPOC)

NCC Applicant Risk Assessment Form

- Signed by Authorized Official (AO)

NCC Application Certified Assurances

- Signed by Authorized Official (AO)

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EUNA APPLICATION

Select accurate Euna Profile

- NO "DHHS Cares" Applications

Award Requested

- Award Total = Federal + Match
- Includes Subawards

Applications Due at 5:00pm

- System will cut off at 5:05pm

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NCC APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY SCREENING FORM

Role of Form

- If not a "Yes," can you speak to the question?
- No fundamental changes to eligibility
- VAWA's non-discrimination provisions

~Government ONLY~

- Applies to subgrants too (only 1 form required)

NIBRS Reporting Requirements

- Does the LE in your jurisdiction submit NIBRS data regularly?

NEVCAP Data Entry

- Does your county jail:
 - A) have a system that is compliant with NEVCAP requirements? (i.e. Jail Standards requirements)
 - B) consistently put data entry requirements into practice to ensure timely notification?

PO VNS Data Entry

- Does your Sheriff's Office use electronic Return of Service (eRoS) to submit PO return of service in a timely manner?

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PERFORMANCE MEASURES (SPREADSHEET)

No changes to VAWA MEI

Quarterly Activity Reporting via EUNA

Upload as a spreadsheet

- No data entry into EUNA

Cross-reference with Purpose Areas

- Choosing your performance measures

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Baseline vs Targets

- Calculating baseline
- Balancing growth and sustainability

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APPLICATION TEMPLATE

NCC's Application Approach

- Minimize duplication
- Minimize EUNA entry
- Streamline review process

Applicant Approach

- Be Concise
 - NCC is also reviewing SASP + VOCA + other Justice & Youth Programs
- Be Complete, Accurate, & Authentic

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OVERVIEW & SCORING

See Appendix E of RFA

Section 1 – Applicant Information

Section 2 – Organization Information (10%)

Section 3 – Victim Services Program (25%)

Section 4 – Grant Project Narrative (25%)

Section 5 – Budget Instructions and Narrative (25%)

Section 6 – Application Signature Page

Reviewer Assessment and Recommendations (15%)

- Overall impressions and recommendations of reviewers.
- Proposal is a good presentation of the project.
- Project has a high potential for success.
- Project represents a good financial investment.
- Project is consistent with the solicitation priorities.
- Proposal is innovative and/or is consistent with sound victim services principles.

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APPLICANT & ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Section 1 – Applicant Information

- Names, Addresses, Email, Phone

Section 2 – Organization Information

- Organizational Type – NEW
 - Same as VOCA
 - Review RFA Appendix F
- Geographic Community
 - List in alphabetical order
- Underserved Populations
 - How do you reach them?
 - Is it working?

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SECTION 3 – VICTIM SERVICES PROGRAM

Program Name vs Project Title

Program Type – NEW

- Same as VOCA
- Review RFA Appendix F

Nebraska Priority Purpose Areas

- Per 2022-2026 STOP Implementation Plan
 - Training Criminal Justice Professionals
 - Specialized DSV Units
 - Policy and Protocol Development
 - Victim Services & Legal Assistance
 - Sexual Assault Response Teams
 - Public Awareness or Community Education
- Purpose Area Titles are NEW (& NCC written)

Community Collaboration

- MOC vs LOS
- CCR Teams (DV or SV)
- NEW - Feedback System:
 - Use of iMPRoVE (Measures for Providers Responding to Victimization Experiences) encouraged
 - free customizable platform for outcome measurement
 - <https://www.improve-tool.org//home>

Program Funding

Funding Sustainability

Supplanting

- Attach evidence of budget cuts

Potentially Duplicative Funding

Subaward Narrative

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SECTION 4 – GRANT PROJECT NARRATIVE

Question 28 - Major Aspects Statement (150 words)

Question 29 – Problem Statement (400 words)

Performance Measures

- Narratives for Performance Outcomes
- Narrative for Data Irregularities

Standardized Performance Measures will NOT be released before the application due date.

Performance Measures should be written to support number-based reporting (not percentages).

NCC will be transitioning back to EUNA data entry.

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SECTION 5 – BUDGET INSTRUCTIONS AND NARRATIVE

Project & Budget Period

- 2-year cycle resuming in CY2028

Proration by Devotion/Allocation

- Devotion = $\frac{\# \text{ Hours Dedicated to Project}}{\# \text{ Hours Worked}}$
 - 1040 STOP hours per year ÷ 2080 total hours per year = 50% devotion
- Allocation = proration of STOP to non-STOP used for budgeting
 - Personnel Costs are prorated based on devotion
 - STOP Program Costs are prorated based on item
 - DCA & some operation costs
 - General Expenses are prorated based on agency
 - NCC Proration of Costs Spreadsheet
 - NICRA

Budget Spreadsheet

- Each Subgrantee completes their own
- Lead Agency should include subgrant total on their budget

Budget Spreadsheet: [Specific] Tab Instructions

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BUDGET NARRATIVE

Personnel – Wages & Fringe

- Wages Detail
- Fringe Detail
 - Map out your numbers

Travel & Training

- Other Travel Costs Detail
 - Map out your numbers

Indirect Costs

Narratives: Necessary Cost, Reasonable and Cost Effective

1. Personnel (Wages & Fringe)
2. Travel & Training
3. Direct Client Assistance (DCA)
4. Supplies & Equipment
5. Contracts
6. Other
7. Administrative Costs (Direct or Indirect)

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SECTION 6 – APPLICATION SIGNATURE PAGE

Section 6 - Application Signature Page

Applicant Information

Organization:	Name
	Address
	Including City, State & Zip
	Phone

Instructions

The Official who signs this document agrees to adhere to all terms and conditions relating to this application. Duplication of responsibility by one individual for one position listed herein is NOT acceptable. Certain signatures are non-negotiable.

Authorized Official

Must be a person with control authority:
(i.e. City/County Commissioners, Mayor, Department Head, or President of Board/Director)

Confirm the information in this application is accurate and as the Authorized Official for this project, hereby agree to comply with all provisions of the grant program, especially subsections in the Request for Application, requirements of the Narrative Check, Deliverables and all other applicable federal and state laws.

Authorizing the grant project contact, secondary project contact, and financial contact to act on behalf of the Authorized Official for grant management purposes and fulfillment of the grant program.

Signature of Authorized Official	Click or tap to enter a date
	Date
Click or tap here to enter text	
Printed Name of Authorized Official	

Project Point of Contact (Primary)

Must be an employee of the applicant agency

Signature of Project Point of Contact	Click or tap to enter a date
	Date
Click or tap here to enter text	
Printed Name of Project Point of Contact	

Financial Point of Contact

Signature of Financial Point of Contact	Click or tap to enter a date
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Printed Name of Financial Point of Contact	

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APPLICATION BUDGET REQUEST (SPREADSHEET)

Upload as a spreadsheet

- No data entry into EUNA

Original version contained error

- Corrected copy is labeled "CORRECTED" in the file name
- Updated on NCC website
- Pending update in EUNA application

Match

- Does not apply to federal dedications (SA/P&E)
- Waived for CBOs in Victim Service Allocation (culturally specific or undefined) and Tribes
- Cash: Program Income (may include SAPP), State, Local, Private
- In-Kind: Volunteers (\$15/\$22.25), Materials/Equipment, Space and Facilities

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FEDERAL DEDICATIONS SECTION

Sexual Assault Set Aside (SA)

- 20% minimum
- NCC must ensure funds come from 2 or more allocation categories (victim services, law enforcement, prosecution, courts)
 - This does NOT apply at the grantee level

Public Awareness/Community Education Campaigns (P&E)

- 5% maximum
- Applies to prevention activities that aim to avoid primary victimization
- Does not apply to outreach: activities that aim to inform victims about available services

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COST-SHARING (MATCH)

Match requirement is per award, not per line item.

25% required for criminal justice allocations

- TIP: Consider staff time to attend training

Program Income as Match

- New Budget Requirement
 - Will NOT continue PIR for all agencies, only those with program income in budget
- Applicants are encouraged to label the line-item as Program Income

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PROJECT POSITIONS TAB

Positions Section

- Unique positions, not people
- UNLESS splitting between allocations

STOP Project Positions

- Used for identifying supplanting

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PERSONNEL TAB

Wages Sections

- Baseline (Current Salary, Dates, Hour/Week)
 - Dates can't be outside project period
- Wages Increase
 - Only structured for 1 salary increase
- Allocation Category
 - Must be separate line items
- Personnel Devotion Rate
- "\$ Wages Requested for Federal Funding"
- Match Obligation Generated (calculation)
- "\$ Wages Funded by Match & Match Type"
- Federal Dedications
 - SA and P&E

TIP

- "\$ Wages Requested for Federal Funding" (Column P) +
"\$ Wages Funded by Match" (Column R) =
"\$ Project Total" (Column T)
 - Cannot be great than "\$ Allowable for Project" (Column O)

NOTE

- % of Total Wages
 - Based on "Wages Total for Project Period" (Column L)
 - NOT based on federal funding

Fringe Sections

- Rates are explained in Application Template
 - Okay to combine like items
(i.e. "Health Care" = Health Insurance + Vision + Dental)
- Federal Funding
 - \$ Requested ≤ \$ Allowable
 - Federal Dedications are auto-calculated
- Match Funding
 - \$ Match ≤ \$ Allowable

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TRAVEL & TRAINING

All Travel

Travel Plans Section

- Mileage

STOP Project

Federal Dedications

Training/Overnight ONLY

Training Registration

Airfare

Lodging

Meals

Other

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DIRECT CLIENT ASSISTANCE (DCA)

things for clients' use

Service Vouchers (mental health services, legal services, transportation services)

- Contracts
- Other

Victim Supplies (resource printing, clothes, food)

- Supplies
- Other

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OPERATIONAL BUDGET CATEGORY TABS

Supplies & Equipment

- tangible items

Contracts & Subawards

- things that enable the work

Other

- things that don't fit anywhere else

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ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET CATEGORY TABS

Administrative

- things that allow your program to function, "overhead"

Indirect

- alternate to Administrative category
- Indirect Cost Rate is a maximum, not a minimum

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REVIEW TABS

Line-Item Budget

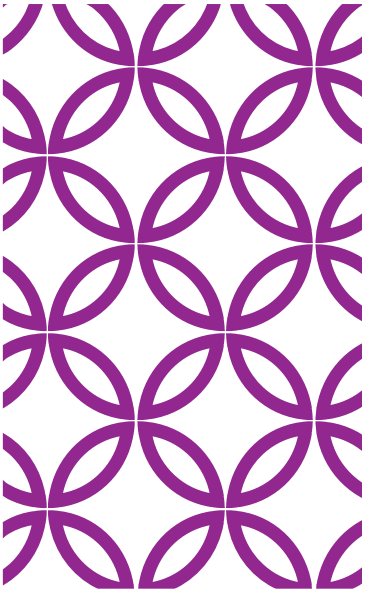
- Pulls from all other tabs
- Filter on "Line Item" (column E) to condense your view
- Will be used to upload your budget into EUNA

Overview

- Totals from Line-Item Budget

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QUESTION & ANSWERS

- Slides
- Budget Quick Reference
- Listserv Instructions

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