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Chapter 136. Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement

"<u>■Subchapter III</u>. Violence Against Women

Elegant I. Violence Against Women Act Court Training and Improvements

→§ 14043. Purpose

The purpose of this part is to enable the Attorney General, though the Director of the Office on Violence Against Women, to award grants to improve court responses to adult and youth domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking to be used for--

- (1) improved internal civil and criminal court functions, responses, practices, and procedures;
- (2) education for court-based and court-related personnel on issues relating to victims' needs, including safety, security, privacy, confidentiality, and economic independence, as well as information about perpetrator behavior and best practices for holding perpetrators accountable;
- (3) collaboration and training with Federal, State, tribal, territorial, and local public agencies and officials and nonprofit, nongovernmental organizations to improve implementation and enforcement of relevant Federal, State, tribal, territorial, and local law:
- (4) enabling courts or court-based or court-related programs to develop new or enhance current--
- (A) court infrastructure (such as specialized courts, dockets, intake centers, or interpreter services);
- **(B)** community-based initiatives within the court system (such as court watch programs, victim assistants, or community-based supplementary services);
- **(C)** offender management, monitoring, and accountability programs;
- **(D)** safe and confidential information-storage and -sharing databases within and between court systems;
- **(E)** education and outreach programs to improve community access, including enhanced access for underserved populations; and
- **(F)** other projects likely to improve court responses to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking; and
- **(5)** providing technical assistance to Federal, State, tribal, territorial, or local courts wishing to improve their practices and procedures or to develop new programs.