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Title 42. The Public Health and Welfare

Chapter 136. Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement

↖ [Subchapter III](#). Violence Against Women

↖ [Part P](#). Miscellaneous Authorities

→ § 14045a. Enhancing culturally and linguistically specific services for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking

(a) Establishment

(1) In general

Of the amounts appropriated under certain grant programs identified in paragraph (a)(2) of this Section [\[FN1\]](#), the Attorney General, through the Director of the Violence Against Women Office (referred to in this section as the "Director"), shall take 5 percent of such appropriated amounts and combine them to establish a new grant program to enhance culturally and linguistically specific services for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. Grants made under this new program shall be administered by the Director. The requirements of the grant programs identified in paragraph (2) shall not apply to this new grant program.

(2) Programs covered

The programs covered by paragraph (1) are the programs carried out under the following provisions:

- (A) [Section 3796hh](#) of this title, Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies.
- (B) [Section 3796gg-6](#) of this title, Legal Assistance for Victims.
- (C) [Section 13971](#) of this title, Rural Domestic Violence and Child Abuser Enforcement Assistance.
- (D) Section ____ of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (42 U.S.C. ____), Older Battered Women.
- (E) Section ____ of the Violence Against Women Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. ____), Disabled Women Program.

(b) Purpose of program and grants

(1) General program purpose

The purpose of the program required by this section is to promote:

- (A) The maintenance and replication of existing successful services in domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking community-based programs providing culturally and linguistically specific services and other resources.
- (B) The development of innovative culturally and linguistically specific strategies and projects to enhance access to services and resources for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking who face obstacles to using more traditional services and resources.

(2) Purposes for which grants may be used

The Director shall make grants to community-based programs for the purpose of enhancing culturally and linguistically specific services for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. Grants under the program shall support community-based efforts to address distinctive cultural and linguistic responses to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, including--

- (A)** working with State and local governments and social service agencies to develop and enhance effective strategies to provide culturally and linguistically specific services to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking;
- (B)** increasing communities' capacity to provide culturally and linguistically specific resources and support for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking crimes and their families;
- (C)** strengthening criminal justice interventions, by providing training for law enforcement, prosecution, courts, probation, and correctional facilities on culturally and linguistically specific responses to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking;
- (D)** enhancing traditional services to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking through the leadership of culturally and linguistically specific programs offering services to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking;
- (E)** working in cooperation with the community to develop education and prevention strategies highlighting culturally and linguistically specific issues and resources regarding victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking;
- (F)** providing culturally and linguistically specific programs for children exposed to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking;
- (G)** providing culturally and linguistically specific resources and services that address the safety, economic, housing, and workplace needs of victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, including emergency assistance; or
- (H)** examining the dynamics of culture and its impact on victimization and healing.

(3) Technical assistance and training

The Director shall provide technical assistance and training to grantees of this and other programs under this Act regarding the development and provision of effective culturally and linguistically specific community-based services by entering into cooperative agreements or contracts with an organization or organizations having a demonstrated expertise in and whose primary purpose is addressing the development and provision of culturally and linguistically specific community-based services to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

(c) Eligible entities

Eligible entities for grants under this Section [\[FN1\]](#) include--

- (1)** community-based programs whose primary purpose is providing culturally and linguistically specific services to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking; and
- (2)** community-based programs whose primary purpose is providing culturally and linguistically specific services who can partner with a program having demonstrated expertise in serving victims of domestic

violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

(d) Reporting

The Director shall issue a biennial report on the distribution of funding under this section, the progress made in replicating and supporting increased services to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking who face obstacles to using more traditional services and resources, and the types of culturally and linguistically accessible programs, strategies, technical assistance, and training developed or enhanced through this program.

(e) Grant period

The Director shall award grants for a 2-year period, with a possible extension of another 2 years to implement projects under the grant.

(f) Evaluation

The Director shall award a contract or cooperative agreement to evaluate programs under this section to an entity with the demonstrated expertise in and primary goal of providing enhanced cultural and linguistic access to services and resources for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking who face obstacles to using more traditional services and resources.

(g) Non-exclusivity

Nothing in this Section [\[FN1\]](#) shall be interpreted to exclude linguistic and culturally specific community-based programs from applying to other grant programs authorized under this Act.

(h) Definitions and grant conditions

In this section the definitions and grant conditions in [section 13925](#) of this title shall apply.

CREDIT(S)

([Pub.L. 109-162, Title I, § 121](#), Jan. 5, 2006, 119 Stat. 2991; [Pub.L. 109-271](#), §§ 1(c)(3), 2(k), Aug. 12, 2006, 120 Stat. 751, 753.)

[\[FN1\]](#) So in original. The word "Section" probably should not be capitalized.

HISTORICAL AND STATUTORY NOTES

Revision Notes and Legislative Reports

2006 Acts. House Report No. 109-233, see 2005 U.S. Code Cong. and Adm. News, p. 1636.

References in Text

Section 3796hh of this title, referred to in subsec. (a)(2)(A), originally read "2101 ([42 U.S.C. 3796hh](#))" and was translated as meaning section 2101 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, Pub.L. 90-351, Title I, § 2101, as added Pub.L. 103-322, Title IV, § 40231(a)(3), Sept. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 1932, which relates to grants to encourage arrest policies and is classified to [42 U.S.C.A. § 3796hh](#), as the probable intent of Congress.

Section ____ of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (42 U.S.C. ____), referred to in subsec. (a)(2)(D), probably means section 40802 of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994, Pub.L. 103-322, Title IV, § 40802, as added Pub.L. 106-386, Div. B, Title II, § 1209(a), Oct. 28, 2000, 114 Stat. 1509, as amended by Pub.L. 109-162, Title II, § 205, Jan. 5, 2006, 119 Stat. 3002, which relates enhanced training and services to end violence against and abuse of women later in life, and is classified to [42 U.S.C.A. § 14041a](#).

Section ____ of the Violence Against Women Act of 2000 (42 U.S.C. ____), referred to in subsec. (a)(2)(E), probably means section 1402 of the Violence Against Women Act of 2000, Pub.L. 106-386, Div. B, Title IV § 1402, Oct. 28, 2000, 114 Stat. 1513, as amended by Pub.L. 109-162, Title II, § 204, Jan. 5, 2006, 119 Stat. 3000, which relates to education, training, and enhanced services to end violence against and abuse of women with disabilities, and is classified to [42 U.S.C.A. § 3796gg-7](#).

This Act, referred to in subsecs. (b)(3) and (g), is the Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005, Pub.L. 109-162, Jan. 5, 2006, 119 Stat. 2960. For complete classification, see Short Title note set out under [42 U.S.C.A. § 13701](#) and Tables.

Amendments

2006 Amendments. Subsec. (a)(1). Pub.L. 109-271, § 2(k)(1), at the end, inserted "The requirements of the grant programs identified in paragraph (2) shall not apply to this new grant program."

Subsec. (b)(2)(A) to (H). Pub.L. 109-271, § 2(k)(2), added subpars. (A) to (H).

Subsec. (h). Pub.L. 109-271, § 1(c)(3), added subsec. (h).

Effective and Applicability Provisions

2005 Acts. Section enacted effective beginning of fiscal year 2007, see Pub.L. 109-162, § 4, as added Pub.L. 109-271, § 1(b), Aug. 12, 2006, 120 Stat. 750, set out as an effective and applicability provision note under 42 U.S.C.A. § 3793.

42 U.S.C.A. § 14045a, **42 USCA § 14045a**

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