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**Arizona Criminal Justice Commission (ACJC)**

**Crime Victim Assistance Grant Program  
FY 2021 Orientation Meeting**

Monday, February 03, 2020

# INTRODUCTION

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- ACJC pursuant to A.R.S. 41-2407 authorizes the distribution of Crime Victims Assistance funds through a competitive grant process
- For FY 2021 the grant program size will be **\$200,000**
- Grant funds **MUST** be used to support projects providing victim assistance services directly to crime victims, or to provide training to paid or volunteer staff of agencies providing services directly benefitting crime victims
- Please review the grant announcement for detailed information on allowable costs, restrictions, scoring, and award process

# FY21 Funding Priorities

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## VOCA Assistance Ineligible

Fund projects identified as VOCA Assistance *ineligible*, for the FY 2021 period beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021. For the FY 2021 grant period, the Commission has approved awarding victim assistance funding for projects identified as VOCA Assistance *ineligible* as the highest priority.

Projects must meet ACJC victim assistance grant program eligibility requirements. Funds requested must support VOCA assistance ineligible activities.

# FY21 Funding Priorities

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## VOCA Assistance Eligible

This purpose area is for applications for projects that are identified under DPS VOCA program rules as VOCA Assistance *eligible* for the FY 2021 period beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021. Applications will be accepted for VOCA Assistance eligible projects. Applications falling within this purpose area have the lowest priority for ACJC, with all funding requests which are VOCA ineligible taking priority over this category.

Applicants with projects that are VOCA eligible are highly encouraged to apply with DPS VOCA when the solicitation opens later this Spring.

# FY21 Funding Priorities Continued

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- Priority will be given to projects requesting funding to support Personnel Services and Employee Related Expenses.
- Applicant agencies may submit applications for multiple victim service projects, but not the same project under more than one purpose area.

# Purpose Area Project Examples

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- VOCA Ineligible: On-call Time; Project staff other than direct service providers and their supervisors; Civil Tort Litigation; Emergency Financial Assistance; Applicant agency administers training project
- VOCA Eligible: Victim Notification; Legal Advocacy; Advocacy

# DPS-VOCA Assistance Eligibility

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- Determination of DPS-VOCA Assistance eligibility is included as part of the scoring and review process
- Submitted total project budget must reflect all sources of funding, including DPS-VOCA assistance
- The scoring team will utilize the VOCA Assistance Guidelines (Federal Register 8/16), and the AZ DPS VOCA Assistance Guidelines as the basis for determining eligibility (6/17)
- Historically, a member of DPS VOCA Assistance program staff has participated on ACJC scoring team

# APPLICATION PROCESS

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- Grant applications must be completed and submitted using the ACJC Grant Management System (GMS)
- Detailed instructions on how to access the GMS, as well as application instructions, are available at [www.azcjc.gov](http://www.azcjc.gov) in the VICTIM SERVICES section of the website
- A computer-based video training series on the GMS for Victim Assistance applicants is also available on the ACJC website under VICTIM SERVICES

# ACJC GMS Introduction

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- Provide a quick tour accessing the GMS
- Verify GMS access information
- Change active users / Do not create new account

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