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Meeting Notice

Budget Committee

Thursday, December 16, 2021
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Location:

Via WebEx Video Conference/Teleconference

Participation Information:

Videoconference	Teleconference
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Budget Committee

Agenda

Sheriff Tom Dart
Hon. Kimberly Foxx
Garien Gatewood - Chair
Director Brendan Kelly
Hon. Sharone Mitchell, Jr.
Hon. Kwame Raoul
Carmen Terrones

- ▶ Call to Order and Roll Call
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- 2. Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Act – P.14
- 3. Victims of Crime Act – P.17
- 4. Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Fund – P.91
- 5. State Programs – P.93
 - A. Community-Based Violence Intervention and Prevention (Supplemental Documents)
 - B. Death Penalty Abolition Fund
 - C. Illinois Innocence Project
- ▶ Public Comment
- ▶ Old Business
- ▶ New Business
- ▶ Adjourn

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Patrick Delfino
Acting Chair

Delrice Adams
Acting Executive Director

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MINUTES

**ILLINOIS CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION AUTHORITY
BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING**

October 21, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.
Internet video conference / teleconference

Call to Order and Roll Call

ICJIA Board Chair Patrick Delfino called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. ICJIA General Counsel Karen Sheley called the roll.

Meeting attendance was as follows:

Budget Committee Member Attendance	Present	Telephone	Absent
Rebecca Levin for Cook Co. Sheriff Tom Dart	X		
Nicole Kramer for Cook County State’s Attorney Kimberly Foxx	X		
Illinois Justice Project Director Garien Gatewood	X		
James Piper for Illinois State Police Director Brendan Kelly	X		
Kristy Johnson for Cook Co. Public Defender Sharone Mitchell Jr.	X		
John Carroll for Attorney General Kwame Raoul	X		
Carmen Terrones			X
Other Authority Member Attendance	Present	Telephone	Absent
Kendall County Sheriff Dwight Baird			X
Eric Carter for Chicago Police Department Superintendent David Brown			X
Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board Interim Director Keith Calloway	X		
State Appellate Defenders Office Director James Chadd			X
St. Clair Co. Circuit Court Clerk Kahalah Clay	X		
State’s Attorney’s Appellate Prosecutor’s Office Director Patrick Delfino (Authority Chair)	X		
Chicago African Americans in Philanthropy Director Jessyca Dudley	X		
Illinois Dept. of Public Health Director Dr. Ngozi Ezike			X
Shelith W. Hansbro for Illinois Department of Corrections Acting Director Rob Jeffreys	X		
Anthony Escamilla for Cook County Circuit Court Clerk Iris Martinez	X		

Loyola CJRPP Director David Olson	X		
Metra Chief of Police Joseph Perez	X		
Rebecca Janowitz for Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle			X
Kankakee County State's Attorney James Rowe			X
SPAC Director Kathryn Saltmarsh	X		
ICADV Executive Director Vickie Smith			X
Illinois Department of Children and Family Services Director Marc D. Smith	X		

Also in attendance were:

- ICJIA Acting Executive Director Delrice Adams
- ICJIA Project Administrator Nathan Bossick
- ICJIA Program Supervisor Shataun Hailey
- ICJIA Program Supervisor Shai Hoffman
- ICJIA Federal & State Grant Unit Administrative Assistant Jude Lemrow
- ICJIA Federal & State Grant Unit Administrative Assistant Vanessa Morris
- ICJIA Advanced Program Specialist Lajuana Murphy
- ICJIA Program Supervisor Ron Reichgelt
- ICJIA General Counsel Karen Sheley
- ICJIA Federal & State Grants Unit Associate Director Greg Stevens
- ICJIA Program Supervisor Mitch Troup
- ICJIA Deputy Director Charise Williams

Other Authority staff members and guests

1. Minutes of the August 19, 2021, Budget Committee Meeting

The Budget Committee unanimously approved the minutes of the August 19, 2021, Budget Committee meeting.

Motion: Mr. Piper moved to approve the minutes of the August 19, 2021, Budget Committee meeting. Mr. Calloway seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Clay, Ms. Levin, Mr. Calloway, Mr. Delfino, Ms. Dudley, Ms. Kramer, Mr. Gatewood, Ms. Hansbro, Mr. Piper, Mr. Escamilla, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Olson, Mr. Perez, Mr. Carroll, and Mr. Smith voted *Yes*. The motion passed.

After the meeting, Ms. Hansbro notified staff that the attendance record for the August 19, 2021, Budget Committee meeting incorrectly indicated that she was absent.

2. Violence Against Women Act

Designation Reduction

Ms. Hailey said that the Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault returned \$26,969.95 in unspent funds from its FFY19 Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) designation for the Services to Underserved Areas & Victim Groups program. Staff recommended making the funds available for future programming.

FFY21 Award Introduction

Ms. Hailey said Illinois' FFY21 VAWA award totaled \$5,105,678 and expires June 30, 2023. She said after setting aside 10% of the award for administrative purposes (\$510,568), the remaining \$4,595,110 was available for program purposes.

Designation Increases

Ms. Hailey said that at the December 15, 2020, Budget Committee meeting, members designated FFY17, FFY18, and FFY19 VAWA STOP funds to multi-disciplinary team (MDT) programs. She explained MDTs develop, implement, and enhance coordinated responses of victim services agencies, law enforcement, prosecution, and the courts to sexual assault and domestic violence crimes against women. She said staff recommended designating funds to the entities and programs listed below to support an additional 12 months of programming, from January 1, 2022, to December 31, 2022.

	Entity	VAWA Program	FFY19	FFY20	FFY21
A	Chicago Police Dept.	Cook Co. DV MDT	\$90,724		
	Cook County State's Attorney's Office	Cook Co. DV MDT		\$284,883	
	Family Rescue	Cook Co. DV MDT			\$233,877
	Life Span	Cook Co. DV MDT			\$50,506
	Subtotal:			\$90,724	\$284,883
B	Chicago Police Dept.	Cook Co. SA MDT	\$51,209		
	Cook County State's Attorney's Office	Cook Co. SA MDT		\$306,537	
	Life Span	Cook Co. SA MDT			\$34,396
	Resilience	Cook Co. SA MDT		\$257,863	
	Subtotal:			\$51,209	\$564,400
C	Kankakee County Sheriff's Office	Kankakee Co. SA MDT	\$198,827		
	Kankakee State's Attorney's Office	Kankakee Co. SA MDT		\$175,300	
	21 st Judicial Circuit (Kankakee Co. Probation)	Kankakee Co. SA MDT		\$161,157	
	KC-CASA	Kankakee Co. SA MDT		\$114,345	
	Subtotal:			\$198,827	\$450,802
D	Peoria County Sheriff's Office	Peoria Co. DV MDT	\$68,294		
	Peoria Police Department	Peoria Co. DV MDT	\$97,382		

	Peoria County State's Attorney's Office	Peoria Co. DV MDT	\$281,203		
	10th Judicial Circuit (Peoria Co. Probation)	Peoria Co. DV MDT	\$63,325		\$61,723
	Center for the Prevention of Abuse	Peoria Co. DV MDT			\$77,996
	Subtotal:		\$510,204	\$0	\$139,719
E	St. Clair County Sheriff's Office	St. Clair Co. DV MDT	\$170,804		
	St. Clair County State's Attorney's Office	St. Clair Co. DV MDT		\$197,490	
	20th Judicial Circuit (St. Clair Co. Probation)	St. Clair Co. DV MDT		\$53,191	
	Call for Help	St. Clair Co. DV MDT			\$32,712
	Violence Prevention Center of Southwestern Illinois	St. Clair Co. DV MDT			\$195,686
	Subtotal:		\$170,804	\$250,681	\$228,398
	Totals:		\$1,021,768	\$1,550,766	\$686,896

Motion: Mr. Perez moved to approve the FFY19 VAWA designation reduction and the FFY19, FFY20, and FFY21 VAWA designations. Mr. Perez seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Clay, Ms. Levin, Mr. Calloway, Mr. Delfino, Ms. Dudley, Mr. Gatewood, Ms. Hansbro, Mr. Piper, Mr. Escamilla, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Olson, Mr. Perez, Mr. Carroll, and Mr. Smith voted *Yes*. Ms. Kramer recused herself due to her involvement with the Cook County State's Attorney's Office. The motion passed.

3. Victims of Crime Act

Designation Reductions

Mr. Reichgelt reported on returned lapsing FFY17 and FFY18 Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) funds. He said FFY17 funds expired and were no longer available. Staff recommended making the FFY18 funds available for future use.

Entity / Program	Reason for Rescission	FFY17	FFY18
Macon County – Child 1 st Center / Illinois HEALS	Reduced spending due to COVID; delays in hiring, securing office space, and partnership development.	\$1,120	
Heartland Human Care Services / Child Abuse, Financial Crime, and Impaired Driving	Travel expenses lower than expected due to COVID.	\$2,060	

St Anthony Hospital/Community Violence	Grantee experienced various staffing issues due to COVID restrictions		\$215,519
Hektoon Institute/Community Violence	Grantee experienced various staffing and travel issues due to COVID restrictions		\$13,247
Lurie's Children's Hospital/Community Violence	Grantee experienced various staffing and travel issues due to COVID restrictions		\$82,895
UCAN/Community Violence	Grantee experienced various staffing and travel issues due to COVID restrictions		\$261,848
YMCA/ Community Violence	Grantee experienced various staffing and travel issues due to COVID restrictions		\$550,004
Children's Home and Aid/Community Violence	Grantee did not utilize all funds		\$3,710
TOTALS:		\$3,180	\$1,127,223

Recommended Designations

Mr. Reichgelt said that at the March 12, 2020, Budget Committee meeting, the committee set aside \$12 million in available FFY19 VOCA funds to issue a notice of funding opportunity (NOFO) for multi-victimization programs. He said the programs were designed to address the needs of victims who have experienced multiple types of crime.

He said staff recommended an increase in funding, using FFY19 VOCA funds, which end September 30, 2022, to extend each program for six months (from 12 to 18 months), as described in the table:

Designee	Original Designation	FFY19 Increase	Revised Designation
A Safe Place	\$1,000,000	\$500,000	\$1,500,000
Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorists	\$375,750	\$96,570	\$472,320
Alliance of Local Service Organizations	\$324,965	\$107,000	\$431,965
BUILD	\$503,561	\$122,896	\$626,457
Catholic Charities	\$811,560	\$109,000	\$920,560
Chicago CAC	\$421,060	*\$0	\$421,060
Children's' Home and Aid	\$82,349	\$41,175	\$123,524
City Colleges of Chicago	\$818,107	*\$0	\$818,107
City of Rockford	\$632,072	\$16,036	\$648,108
Cook County SAO	\$282,416	\$80,942 \$100,942	\$363,358 \$383,358
Hektoon	\$1,000,000	*\$0	\$1,000,000
Hoyleton	\$253,764	*\$0	\$253,764
Lake County SAO	\$137,848	\$55,924	\$193,772

OSF St. Francis	\$513,194	\$15,000	\$528,194
Port Ministries	\$286,279	\$60,670	\$346,949
Remedies Renewing Lives	\$131,051	\$15,526	\$146,577
Restoration61	\$800,927	\$160,464	\$961,391
Sarah's Inn	\$287,697	\$70,861	\$358,558
Stress & Trauma Treatment Center, Inc.	\$696,971	\$200,000	\$896,971
St. Anthony Hospital of Chicago	\$999,477	\$375,739	\$1,375,216
UCAN	\$1,000,000	\$130,000	\$1,130,000
YWCA of Evanston	\$197,393	\$49,097	\$246,490
Universal Family	\$440,000	\$141,225	\$581,225
TOTAL	\$11,996,441	\$2,348,125 \$2,368,125	\$14,344,566 \$14,364,566

* Program will utilize lapsing funds. No increase is necessary.

VOCA Fix - Pandemic Exemption Match Waiver Policy

Mr. Reichgelt said that Federal Public Law No: 34 U.S.C 20103 (the VOCA Fix) amends the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) of 1984 and requires that state administering agencies waive the VOCA Assistance Program matching requirement. He said that in accordance, ICJIA will waive the match requirement for all VOCA funding beginning with any new funding not already expended and/or reported for grants beginning September 1, 2021. He said the policy would be in effect until the president declared an end to the COVID-19 pandemic, plus one year. He said grantees would still have the option of including matching funds in their budgets.

Motion: Mr. Olson moved to approve the FFY17 and FFY18 VOCA designation reductions and the FFY19 VOCA designations. Mr. Gatewood seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Clay, Ms. Levin, Mr. Calloway, Mr. Delfino, Ms. Dudley, Mr. Gatewood, Ms. Hansbro, Mr. Piper, Mr. Escamilla, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Olson, Mr. Perez, Mr. Carroll, Ms. Saltmarsh, and Mr. Smith voted *Yes*. Ms. Kramer recused herself because the Cook County State’s Attorney’s Office is an affected grantee. The motion passed.

4. State Programs

A. Community Law Enforcement Partnership for Deflection and Substance Abuse Treatment

Ms. Murphy said that at a previous Budget Committee meeting, the committee approved release of a NOFO for Community Law Enforcement Partnership for Deflection and Substance Abuse Treatment (CLEP). She said the program goal is to develop and implement local deflection programs that offer immediate pathways to substance use treatment and other services as an alternative to involvement in the criminal justice system. She said staff recommended designating \$599,554 in SFY22 CLEP funds to the

entities listed below to support eight months of programming. She said services supported would include community/public awareness, counseling/therapy and case management, emergency administration and/or distribution of medication to reverse an overdose, treatment, and training.

Applicant	Maximum Amount
Arlington Heights Police Department	\$99,429
Elk Grove Village Police Department	\$101,228
Kane County Sheriff Department	\$150,000
City of Taylorville Police Department	\$105,017
Village of Mundelein Police Department	\$143,880
Total	\$599,554

Motion: Mr. Perez moved to approve the SFY22 CLEP designations. Ms. Levin seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Clay, Ms. Levin, Mr. Calloway, Mr. Delfino, Ms. Dudley, Ms. Kramer, Mr. Gatewood, Ms. Hansbro, Mr. Piper, Mr. Escamilla, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Olson, Mr. Perez, Mr. Carroll, Ms. Saltmarsh, and Mr. Smith voted *Yes*. The motion passed.

B. Death Penalty Abolition Funds

Designation Reductions

Mr. Bossick said the following unexpended SFY21 Death Penalty Abolition Fund (DPA) funds had been returned to ICJIA:

Entity / Program	Reason for Rescission	FFY21
BUILD / Services for Families of Victims of Homicide/Murder	Due to COVID, travel and in-person interaction between staff and survivors of victims of homicide/murder declined.	\$141,033
Chicago Survivors / Services for Families of Victims of Homicide/Murder	Due to COVID, travel and in-person interaction between staff and survivors of victims of homicide/murder declined.	\$84,936
TOTALS:		\$225,969

Notice of Funding Opportunity

Mr. Bossick said staff recommended approving up to \$2 million in appropriated SFY22 DPA funds to offer a NOFO for grants to provide services for families of victims of homicide or murder. He said DPA funds shall be used for services for families of victims of homicide or murder and training for law enforcement personnel. He said staff anticipated the NOFO would be released during the fourth quarter of 2021. He said designation recommendations would be presented at a future Budget Committee meeting.

Motion: Ms. Saltmarsh moved to approve the SFY21 DPA designation reductions and the SFY22 DPA NOFO designation. Ms. Kramer seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Clay, Ms. Levin, Mr. Calloway, Mr. Delfino, Ms. Dudley, Ms. Kramer, Mr. Gatewood, Ms. Hansbro, Mr. Piper, Mr. Escamilla, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Olson, Mr. Perez, Mr. Carroll, Ms. Saltmarsh, and Mr. Smith voted *Yes*. The motion passed.

C. Restore, Reinvest, and Renew (R3)

Recommended Designations

Mr. Troup said that as part of the legalization of adult-use cannabis in Illinois, the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act established the Restore, Reinvest, and Renew (R3) program was designed to directly address the impact of economic disinvestment, violence, and historical overuse of criminal justice responses resulting from the so-called war on drugs. He said staff recommended designating SFY22 R3 funds to amend the planning and assessment awards approved in SFY21 to allow planning grantees to continue their work for another five months (through June 30, 2022) and service delivery programs to continue for another 12 months (through January 31, 2023), as described in the following tables.

Assessment and Planning Grants

Funding Region	Applicant Name	Initial Designation	Recommended Revision	Revised Designation
Central	East Springfield Community Center Commission	\$80,899	\$33,708	\$114,607
	City of Springfield	\$80,000	\$33,333	\$113,333
Collar	Will County	\$151,697	\$63,207	\$214,904
	City of Kankakee ECDA	\$28,723	\$11,968	\$40,691
	Key City Community Development Corporation	\$86,694	\$36,123	\$122,817
	Black Oak Center	\$38,285	\$15,952	\$54,237
Chicago South	1863FWD LLC	\$444,245	\$185,102	\$629,347
	DuSable Museum of African American History	\$264,600	\$110,250	\$374,850
	Chicago Urban League	\$182,148	\$75,895	\$258,043
Chicago West	Garfield Park Community Council	\$177,968	\$74,153	\$252,121
	Girls In The Game	\$205,827	\$85,761	\$291,588
Southern Cook	Maywood Social Enterprise - Loyola University of Chicago	\$157,595	\$65,665	\$223,260
	The Link and Option Center	\$80,000	\$33,333	\$113,333
	Monroe Foundation	\$220,189	\$91,745	\$311,934

Northern	IL Collaboration for Youth	\$79,758	\$33,233	\$112,991
	Torito Arts	\$79,723	\$33,218	\$112,941
Northwest	Family Resources	\$20,438	\$8,516	\$28,954
Northwest Central	United Way of Adams County	\$25,000	\$10,417	\$35,417
South Central	City of Madison Police Dept	\$92,291	\$38,455	\$130,746
	IAJJC Centralia	\$86,442	\$36,018	\$122,460
Southern Region	City of Harrisburg	\$25,548	\$10,645	\$36,193
	Public Interest Law Initiative	\$29,805	\$12,419	\$42,224
Total		\$2,637,875	\$1,099,115	\$3,736,990

Service Delivery Grants

Funding Region	Applicant Name	Initial Designation	Recommended Revision	Revised Designation
Central	East Springfield Community Center Commission	\$728,093	\$728,093	\$1,456,186
	Macon County CASA	\$60,212	\$60,212	\$120,424
	Land of Lincoln Legal Aid	\$114,918	\$114,918	\$229,836
	Sherrod's Independent Mentoring Program	\$100,387	\$100,387	\$200,774
	Illinois Legal Aid Springfield	\$32,874	\$32,874	\$65,748
	Springfield Urban League	\$419,702	\$419,702	\$839,404
Collar	Kankakee School District	\$732,032	\$732,032	\$1,464,064
	Will County	\$881,700	\$881,700	\$1,763,400
	Northern IL Recovery Community Organization Waukegan	\$225,000	\$225,000	\$450,000
	Prairie State Legal Services	\$531,675	\$531,675	\$1,063,350
	GameTime, LLC	\$378,188	\$378,188	\$756,376
Chicago South	Chicago Torture Justice Center	\$231,169	\$231,169	\$462,338
	Alternatives, Inc	\$513,997	\$513,997	\$1,027,994
	Chicago Urban League	\$1,911,570	\$1,911,570	\$3,823,140
	Hope Center Foundation	\$346,519	\$346,519	\$693,038
	Emerald South	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000	\$5,000,000
	St. Leonard's Ministries	\$111,877	\$111,877	\$223,754
	Center for New Horizons	\$1,952,403	\$1,952,403	\$3,904,806
	Phalanx Community Services	\$451,398	\$451,398	\$902,796
Chicago West	Law And The Fam LLC	\$838,890	\$838,890	\$1,677,780
	Chicago Youth Boxing Club	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$80,000
	Children's Place Association	\$553,237	\$553,237	\$1,106,474
	Lawndale Christian Development	\$134,292	\$134,292	\$268,584

	NAACP Westside Chicago Branch	\$1,816,615	\$1,816,615	\$3,633,230
	St. Leonard's Ministries	\$227,143	\$227,143	\$454,286
	J. Blunt LLC	\$94,707	\$94,707	\$189,414
Chicago North	Communities United	\$208,316	\$208,316	\$416,632
	Local Initiatives Support Corporation	\$501,267	\$501,267	\$1,002,534
	Safer Foundation	\$809,000	\$809,000	\$1,618,000
	First Defense Legal Aid	\$82,682	\$82,682	\$165,364
Suburban Cook	Knotty Luxe	\$586,301	\$586,301	\$1,172,602
	NDICA	\$369,625	\$369,625	\$739,250
	Cook County JAC	\$600,000	\$600,000	\$1,200,000
	Cornerstone CDC	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$500,000
	Chicago Urban League	\$991,365	\$991,365	\$1,982,730
	Center for Community Academic Success Partnerships	\$365,000	\$365,000	\$730,000
	Metropolitan Family Services	\$1,169,729	\$1,169,729	\$2,339,458
North Central	University of Illinois	\$312,883	\$312,883	\$625,766
	Land of Lincoln Legal Aid	\$57,486	\$57,486	\$114,972
	The Trep School	\$255,401	\$255,401	\$510,802
North Region	YMCA of Rock River Valley	\$86,357	\$86,357	\$172,714
	City of Rockford	\$520,790	\$520,790	\$1,041,580
	Girl Scouts of Northern IL	\$249,345	\$249,345	\$498,690
	KFACT	\$186,245	\$186,245	\$372,490
	Prairie State Legal Services	\$193,085	\$193,085	\$386,170
	Comprehensive Community Solutions	\$399,813	\$399,813	\$799,626
Northwest	Prairie State Legal Services	\$154,508	\$154,508	\$309,016
	Martin Luther King Community Center	\$245,577	\$245,577	\$491,154
	Perfectly Flawed Foundation	\$91,069	\$91,069	\$182,138
Northwest Central	Project Oz	\$201,344	\$201,344	\$402,688
	Urban League Tri County	\$440,747	\$440,747	\$881,494
	Peoria Public Schools	\$858,669	\$858,669	\$1,717,338
	Prairie State Legal Services	\$216,576	\$216,576	\$433,152
South Central	Academic Development Institute	\$830,000	\$830,000	\$1,660,000
	United Way of Greater St. Louis	\$829,240	\$829,240	\$1,658,480
Southern	Land of Lincoln Legal Aid	\$57,640	\$57,640	\$115,280
	Family Counseling Center	\$253,906	\$253,906	\$507,812
	Lutheran Social Services	\$228,702	\$228,702	\$457,404
Total		\$28,331,266	\$28,331,266	\$57,062,532

Motion: Ms. Saltmarsh moved to approve the SFY22 R3 designations. Mr. Piper seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Clay, Mr. Calloway, Mr. Delfino, Ms. Dudley, Ms. Kramer, Mr. Gatewood, Ms. Hansbro, Mr. Piper, Mr. Escamilla, Ms. Johnson, Mr. Perez, Mr. Carroll, Ms. Saltmarsh, and Mr. Smith voted *Yes*. Ms. Levin and Mr. Olson recused themselves due to their involvement with certain grantees. The motion passed.

Notices of Funding Opportunity

Mr. Troup said staff recommended setting funds aside for two NOFOs, including one for planning and capacity building and another for service delivery. He said the Planning and Capacity Building project builds on the SFY21 R3 Assessment and Planning initiative by providing funds to organizations that may lack the capacity to compete for or receive funding to develop that capacity. He said a total of \$3.5 million would be available for the Planning and Capacity Building NOFO. He said service delivery strategies would be situated within a comprehensive plan for services informed by promising practices. He said \$31.5 million would be made available for the Service Delivery NOFO.

Motion: Ms. Saltmarsh moved to approve the SFY22 R3 NOFOs. Mr. Perez seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Clay, Ms. Levin, Mr. Calloway, Mr. Delfino, Ms. Dudley, Ms. Kramer, Mr. Gatewood, Ms. Hansbro, Mr. Piper, Mr. Escamilla, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Olson, Mr. Perez, Mr. Carroll, and Ms. Saltmarsh voted *Yes*. The motion passed.

Public Comment

None.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Mr. Delfino appointed Mr. Gatewood to the position of Budget Committee Chair.

Adjourn

Motion: Mr. Gatewood moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Saltmarsh seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 11:18 a.m.



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Budget Committee Members
FROM: Shataun Hailey, Program Supervisor, Federal & State Grants Unit
DATE: December 16, 2021
RE: **FFY19 Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Plan Recommendations**
FFY20 Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Plan Recommendations

Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Act

The Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Act (RSAT) assists state and local governments in the development and implementation of substance use disorder treatment programs in their correctional and detention facilities. Funds also are available to create and maintain community-based aftercare services for individuals after release from incarceration.

RECOMMENDED DESIGNATIONS

ICJIA issued a notice of funding opportunity (NOFO) in October 2019 to solicit applications for state and local correctional treatment and aftercare services to be supported with FFY18 RSAT funds. Four applications were received from state agencies and one was received from a local agency. Four of the five were selected for funding.

Staff recommends designating \$758,333 in FFY19 RSAT funds and \$247,915 in SFY20 RSAT funds to the programs listed below. Since the original agreements have been individually amended, their end dates are now varied. The recommended designations are based on the number of months remaining for each program within their three-year funding periods.

Entity	Program	FFY19 Funds	FFY20 Funds
Illinois Department of Corrections	Decatur Dual Diagnosis Treatment for Women	\$218,750	
Illinois Department of Corrections	Dual Diagnosis Treatment for Women Unit 1	\$306,250	
Cook County	Cook County Department of Corrections	\$233,333	
Illinois Department of Corrections	Dual Diagnosis Treatment for Women Unit 2		\$247,915
Totals		\$758,333	\$247,915

See the attached Grant Recommendation Reports for further detail.

BUDGET COMMITTEE GRANT RECOMMENDATION REPORT

Program Name: Residential Substance Abuse Treatment – Substance Abuse Treatment Program

Program Agency DUNS: Multiple

Funding Source: FFY19 Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Act: \$758,333
FFY20 Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Act: \$247,915

Request Type: Notice of Funding Opportunity #1430-1226

Program Description

The Residential Substance Abuse Treatment (RSAT) Program assists states and local governments in the development and implementation of substance use treatment programs in state, local, and tribal correctional and detention facilities. Funds are also available to create and maintain community reintegration services for individuals after they are released from incarceration.

Program Activities

RSAT programs in prisons and jails educate inmates about substance abuse, including its consequences, the addiction cycle, recovery, the relationship of alcohol and drug abuse to other problems. They help participants understand behaviors such as anger, criminal thinking, and poor skill and habit development. They teach offenders how to manage anger, stress, and emotions; resolve conflicts; and set goals and boundaries. They help participants develop social, communication, and coping skills.

RSAT fosters a partnership between correctional staff and the treatment community to create programs in secure settings that help offenders overcome their substance abuse problems and prepare for reentry into society. RSAT programs are structured to deal effectively with substance abuse problems, work with inmates so they may focus on their recovery and provide staff and resources to address all aspects of substance abusing behaviors.

RSAT programs include prerelease planning, transitional services, and intensive case management to help offenders reenter their communities. Participants help case managers develop individual treatment plans. RSAT programs help participants find transitional housing or halfway houses. When aftercare services are not part of an RSAT program, offenders are provided with links to community resources and aftercare and social services.

By providing inmates with substance abuse treatment, states not only help these individuals return to society substance free and with skills to obtain employment and be productive members of their communities, but they also experience reduced costs to local, state, and federal governments by reducing drug-related crimes and the expense of incarcerating those who commit them.

Goals

The overall goal of this project is to reduce disruptive behavior, drug use, and criminal behavior through effective intervention programs.

Program Funding Detail

This designation will support the continuation of these programs up to their 36-month program period. Any future designation recommendations for this program will be the result of a Notice of Funding Opportunity.

Budget Detail

Entity	Program	FFY19 Funds	FFY20 Funds
Illinois Department of Corrections	Decatur Dual Diagnosis Treatment for Women	\$218,750	
Illinois Department of Corrections	Dual Diagnosis Treatment for Women Unit 1	\$306,250	
Cook County	Cook County Department of Corrections	\$233,333	
Illinois Department of Corrections	Dual Diagnosis Treatment for Women Unit 2		\$247,915
Totals		\$758,333	\$247,915



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Budget Committee Members

FROM: Ron Reichgelt, Program Supervisor, Federal & State Grants Unit

Date: December 16, 2021

RE: **FFY18 Victims of Crime Act Plan Adjustment**
FFY19 Victims of Crime Act Plan Adjustment
FFY20 Victims of Crime Act Plan Adjustment

This memo describes recommended FFY18 and FFY19 Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) designation reductions and FFY19 and FFY20 VOCA designations.

A. DESIGNATION REDUCTIONS

The table below describes returned FFY18 and FFY19 lapsing funds. Staff recommends making these funds available for future use.

Entity / Program	Reason for Rescission	FFY18	FFY19
A Safe Haven / Transitional Housing	Program start delayed due to COVID.	\$447,818	
Hope of East Central Illinois / Transitional Housing	Underspent contractual and supplies. Less group services due to COVID.	\$17,494	
The LYTE Collective / Transitional Housing	Brief vacancies in housing units.	\$12,380	
Reclaim 13 / Transitional Housing	Program start delayed due to COVID.	\$166,998	
Safe Passage Inc. / Transitional Housing	Personnel issues due to COVID.	\$85,828	
Chicago Survivors / Multi-Victimization	Grantee only budgeted for \$195,000		\$805,000
TOTALS:		\$730,518	\$805,000

B. RECOMMENDED DESIGNATIONS

Victims of Crime Act: Multi-Victimization Program

At the October 21, 2021, Budget Committee meeting, staff recommended an increase in funding, using FFY19 VOCA funds, which end September 30, 2022, to extend the Multi-Victimization programs from 12 to 18 months. This recommendation was approved. One program that did not receive additional funds at that time, Hektoen, also will need the increase provided for an additional six months of support. This increase will take the program to 18 of the 36 months of funding support allowed under the original notice of funding opportunity (NOFO). No programmatic changes would be expected.

Designee	Original Designation	FFY19 Increase	Revised Designation
Hektoen	\$1,000,000	\$336,000	\$1,336,000
TOTAL	\$1,000,000	\$336,000	\$1,336,000

Victims of Crime Act: Law Enforcement/Prosecution Victim Assistance

At the December 15, 2020, Budget Committee meeting, staff recommended designations for law enforcement/prosecution victim assistance programs. The law enforcement/prosecution-based victim assistance program funds advocate position(s) to provide direct services to victims at a law enforcement agencies and state’s attorneys’ offices. Funded services must be located within the offices of the law enforcement agency or state’s attorney.

Staff now recommends an increase in funding, using FFY19 VOCA funds, which end September 30, 2022, to extend each program from 12 to 18 months, as described in the table below. This increase will take each program to 18 of the 36 months of funding support allowed under the NOFO. No programmatic changes would be expected.

Please see the attached Grant Recommendation Report for more information.

Designee	Original Designation	FFY19 Increase	Revised Designation
Arlington Heights Police Department	\$83,258	\$41,629	\$124,887
Centers for New Horizons	\$275,000	\$65,500	\$340,500
Cook County State’s Attorney’s Office	\$1,375,000	\$687,500	\$2,062,500
Franklin County State's Attorney's Office	\$81,199	\$40,595	\$121,794
Lake County State's Attorney's Office	\$179,258	\$52,629	\$231,887
Madison County State's Attorney's Office	\$60,495	\$30,248	\$90,743
McLean County State's Attorney's Office	\$55,732	\$27,866	\$83,598
Mundelein Police Department	\$54,597	\$27,299	\$81,896
Rolling Meadows Police Department	\$54,725	\$27,363	\$82,088
St. Clair County State's Attorney Office	\$75,000	\$25,500	\$100,500
Union County State's Attorney's Office	\$57,567	\$8,785	\$66,352

Village of Wheeling Human Services Dept.	\$152,558	\$76,279	\$228,837
Williamson County State's Attorney's Office	\$105,136	\$52,568	\$157,704
Winnebago County State's Attorney's Office	\$106,976	\$53,488	\$160,464
TOTAL	\$2,716,501	\$1,217,249	\$3,933,750

Victims of Crime Act: Court-Appointed Special Advocate Victim Assistance Programs

At the December 15, 2020, Budget Committee meeting, staff recommended funding for the Court-Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) victim assistance programs. This program supports CASA volunteer coordinator position(s) to facilitate the provision of direct services to child victims. Volunteer coordinators are required to train and supervise volunteer advocates who provide direct services to child victims of physical and sexual abuse, criminal neglect, and abandonment.

Staff now recommends designating \$2,525,889 in FFY20 VOCA funds to the Court-Appointed Special Advocate Assistance programs listed below for an additional 12 months. This will bring these programs up to a total of 24 of the 36 months of funding allowable under the original NOFO.

Please see the attached Grant Recommendation Reports for more information.

DESIGNEE	FFY20
Boone County CASA	\$75,189
Champaign County CASA	\$228,047
Child Abuse Council	\$130,460
CASA DeKalb County	\$118,194
CASA Lake County	\$458,190
Macon County CASA	\$208,428
CASA McHenry County	\$106,097
McLean County CASA	\$191,377
CASA of River Valley	\$144,707
CASA of Sangamon County	\$228,826
CASA of Southwestern Illinois	\$365,574
Winnebago County CASA	\$270,800
Total	\$2,525,889

Staff will be available at the meeting to answer any questions.

BUDGET COMMITTEE GRANT RECOMMENDATION REPORT

<u>Program Name:</u>	Law Enforcement-Prosecution Advocacy Program
<u>Program Agency DUNS:</u>	Various
<u>Funding Source:</u>	FFY19 Victims of Crime Act
<u>Agency Budget:</u>	Various
<u>Request Type:</u>	Notice of Funding Opportunity #1745-1650 – Continuation

Program Description

The Law Enforcement/Prosecution Advocacy Program supports advocates within law enforcement agencies and state's attorney's offices. Victim advocates are trained professionals who support crime victims by providing information and referrals, emotional support, and assistance in finding resources or completing paperwork. Research has shown that the presence of a victim-centered advocate within the criminal justice system reduces insensitive and victim-blaming responses that are retraumatizing for victims and increases the number of services that a victim receives. Advocates located within state's attorney's offices and police departments to providing support and referrals, leads to improved victim satisfaction, less is known about other victim outcomes. Beyond coordination, a victim-centered approach to services may also increase positive outcomes. A victim-centered approach to advocacy services seeks to reduce re-traumatization, address the needs of survivors, and ensure compassionate, non-judgmental service delivery, particularly in the criminal justice system. Ultimately, the victim's voice, safety, and overall well-being are the top priority in all grant-funded activities.

Program Activities

These grantees will provide direct services for victims of crime through municipal police departments, county sheriff's agencies, and county state's attorney's offices. The program will serve those who have suffered physical, sexual, financial, or emotional harm as a result of the commission of a crime.

Direct services for crime victims include services described in 42 U.S.C. 10603(d)(2) and efforts that:

- (1) Respond to the emotional, psychological, or physical needs of crime victims.
- (2) Assist victims to stabilize their lives after victimization.
- (3) Assist victims to understand and participate in the criminal justice system.
- (4) Restore a measure of security and safety for the victim.

All activities supported with this award must fall outside of the normal scope of any active investigation or prosecution of criminal activities; grant funds cannot be used to facilitate witness participation in criminal justice proceedings. Victim eligibility for services cannot be contingent upon participation in the criminal justice process. Services also must be made available after a victim's involvement with the criminal justice system has ended by either the applicant agency or referral to a victim service provider.

Goals

Goal: To provide advocacy services to victims of crime.	
Objective	Performance Measure
SCREENING	
# ____ victims referred to the advocate by an officer # ____ victims screened for eligibility by your agency. # ____ clients will be provided services by your agency.	# of victims referred # of victims screened for eligibility by your agency. # of victims not eligible for services by your agency and referred to another victim service provider. Please list the agencies to which you referred. # of clients provided services by your agency.
INFORMATION & REFERRAL	
# ____ clients will receive information about the criminal justice process.	# of clients provided information about the criminal justice process. # of times staff provided information about the criminal justice process.
# ____ clients will receive information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.	# of clients provided information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc. # of times staff provided information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.
# ____ clients will receive referrals to other victim service providers for services not provided by your agency.	# of clients provided with referrals to other victim service providers. Please list the agencies to which you referred. # of times staff provided referrals to other victim service providers.
# ____ clients will receive referrals to other services, supports, and resources (includes legal, medical, faith-based organizations, etc.)	# ____ clients provided with referrals to other services, supports, and resources. # of times staff provided referrals to other services, supports, and resources.
PERSONAL ADVOCACY/ACCOMPANIMENT	
# ____ clients will receive individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	# of clients provided individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits). # of times staff provided individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).
# ____ clients will receive assistance filing for victim compensation.	# of clients provided assistance filing for victim compensation. # of times staff provided assistance filing for victim compensation.
# ____ clients will receive assistance intervening with an employer, creditor, landlord, or academic institution.	# of clients provided with assistance intervening with an employer, creditor, landlord, or academic institution. # of times staff provided assistance intervening with an employer, creditor, landlord, or academic institution.
# ____ clients will receive child or dependent care assistance.	# of clients provided with child or dependent care assistance. # of times staff provided child or dependent care assistance.
# ____ clients will receive transportation assistance.	# of clients provided with transportation assistance. # of times staff provided transportation assistance.
# ____ clients will receive interpreter services.	# of clients provided with interpreter services.

	# of times staff provided interpreter services.
# ___ clients will receive employment assistance (e.g., help creating a resume or completing a job application).	# of clients provided with employment assistance (e.g., help creating a resume or completing a job application). # of times staff provided employment assistance (e.g., help creating a resume or completing a job application).
# ___ clients will receive education assistance (e.g., help completing a GED or college application).	# clients provided with education assistance (e.g., help completing a GED or college application). # of times staff provided education assistance (e.g., help completing a GED or college application).
# ___ clients will receive economic assistance (e.g., help creating a budget, repairing credit, providing financial education).	# of clients provided with economic assistance (e.g., help creating a budget, repairing credit, providing financial education). # of times staff provided economic assistance (e.g., help creating a budget, repairing credit, providing financial education).
EMOTIONAL SUPPORT OR SAFETY SERVICES	
# ___ clients will receive crisis intervention.	# of clients provided with crisis intervention. # of crisis intervention sessions provided by staff.
SHELTER/HOUSING SERVICES	
# ___ clients will receive housing advocacy, or help with implementing a plan for obtaining housing (e.g., accompanying client to apply for Section 8 housing).	# of clients provided with receive housing advocacy, or help with implementing a plan for obtaining housing (e.g., accompanying client to apply for Section 8 housing). # of times staff provided assistance with receive housing advocacy, or help with implementing a plan for obtaining housing (e.g., accompanying client to apply for Section 8 housing).
CRIMINAL/CIVIL JUSTICE SYSTEM ASSISTANCE	
# ___ clients will receive notification of criminal justice events (e.g., case status, arrest, court proceedings, case disposition, release, etc.).	# of clients provided notification of criminal justice events. # of times staff provided notification of criminal justice events.
# ___ clients will receive victim impact statement assistance.	# of clients provided victim impact statement assistance.
# ___ clients will receive assistance with restitution.	# of clients provided assistance with restitution.
# ___ clients will receive civil advocacy/accompaniment.	# of clients provided civil advocacy/accompaniment. # of times staff provided civil advocacy/accompaniment.
# ___ clients will receive criminal advocacy/accompaniment.	# of clients provided criminal advocacy/accompaniment. # of times staff provided criminal advocacy/accompaniment.
REQUIRED TRAININGS	
# ___ staff will receive training on trauma-informed care. # ___ staff will receive other training on self-care. # ___ police officers will receive training on program operations.	# of staff trained. # of trainings on trauma-informed care held. # of staff trained. # of officers trained.

Priorities

While this funding opportunity responds to several priorities established by the 2017 ICJIA Ad Hoc Victim Services Committee, it most directly addresses priority areas #2 Fundamental Need, #3 Core Services, #5 Underserved Victims, and #9 Long-term Needs.

Program Funding Detail

This designation would support an additional six months of funding, representing 18 months of 36 months of funding support for programming allowed through the NOFO.

Past Performance

Describe how the program has performed in achieving the stated goals and objectives of the program. Include any concerns about grantee (continuation grants only).

Agency Name	Past Performance
Arlington Heights Police Department	The program is on schedule with funding and is on track to meet goals and objectives.
Centers for New Horizons	Program is not on track with spending nor make some selected objectives due to being a new program and starting later than anticipated.
Cook County State's Attorney's Office	The program is on schedule with funding and is on track to meet goals and objectives.
Franklin County State's Attorney's Office	Grantee is on track to achieve most of their goals except transportation housing and food assistance .Goals that are in question relate to outcomes of resources due to COVID 19
Lake County State's Attorney's Office	The program is slightly behind on spending due to starting later than anticipated and on track to meet selected goals and objectives.
Madison County State's Attorney's Office	The program is on schedule with funding and is on track to meet most goals and objectives.
McLean County State's Attorney's Office	The program is on schedule with funding and is on track to meet most goals and objectives.
Mundelein Police Department	The program is on schedule with funding and is on track to meet most goals and objectives.
Rolling Meadows Police Department	The program is on schedule with funding and is not on track to meet some goals and objectives, including assistance intervening with an employer, creditor, landlord, or academic institution and child or dependent care assistance.
St. Clair County State's Attorney Office	The program is behind schedule with funding due to the program starting later than anticipated and not on track to meet some goals and objectives, including referrals to other victim service providers and child or dependent care assistance.

Union County State's Attorney's Office	The program is on schedule with funding and is on track to meet goals and objectives.
City of Wheeling- Wheeling Police Department	The program is on schedule with funding and is on track to meet goals and objectives.
Williamson County State's Attorney's Office	Williamson county has been struggling with their goal due to Covid 19 but is slowly recovering. The Victim Service department has shut down at least 5 times due to exposure of COVID, staff having COVID and issues with referral agencies.
Winnebago County State's Attorney's Office	The program is on schedule with funding and is behind schedule on some goals and objectives, including transportation assistance and assistance filing for victim compensation.

Budget Detail: Various

BUDGET COMMITTEE GRANT RECOMMENDATION REPORT

Program Name: Court Appointed Special Advocate CASA Victim Assistance Program - Boone County CASA

Program Agency DUNS: 964624386

Funding Source: FFY20 Victims of Crime Act: \$75,189

Agency Budget: \$95,700

Request Type: NOFO #1745-1652

Program Description

Court-appointed special advocates (CASAs) maintain small caseloads of one to two children, helping them navigate the court system. CASAs provide more and higher quality information to the courts than caseworkers or guardians ad litem. Their presence is also associated with better health outcomes for victims and stronger linkages to the medical system.

While victim service agency and criminal justice system coordination, where service providers are located within the courts and police departments to provide support and referrals, has led to improved victim satisfaction, less is known about other victim outcomes. Beyond coordination, a victim-centered approach to services may also increase positive outcomes. A victim-centered approach to advocacy services seeks to reduce re-traumatization, address the needs of survivors, and ensure compassionate, non-judgmental service delivery, particularly in the criminal justice system. Ultimately, the victim's voice, safety, and overall well-being are the top priority of all grant-funded activities.

While there are a variety of avenues through which victims may seek help, the criminal justice system is one setting in which individuals can become aware of or access support services. These programs support court provision of court-appointed special advocates.

Program Activities

The purpose of this program is to fund direct services for child victims of abuse and neglect through municipal county CASA programs. A crime victim is a person who has suffered physical, sexual, or emotional harm as a result of the commission of a crime.

The services for child victims provided by a CASA can include responding to their emotional, psychological, or physical needs; assisting victims to stabilize their lives after victimization; helping victims understand and navigate the criminal justice system; and restoring a measure of security and safety for the victim.

Volunteer coordinators are required to provide training and supervision. Training and supervision refers to the training and supervision of volunteer advocates who provide direct services to child victims of physical and sexual abuse, criminal neglect, and abandonment.

Coordination must include at a minimum:

- a) Training of volunteer advocates.
- b) Reviewing and assigning cases to volunteers.
- c) Assisting volunteers in case management and review.
- d) Providing consultation on cases as needed.
- e) Evaluating and maintaining volunteer workloads.

Goals: Below is a list of the original Performance Measures used to evaluate each program. Each program selected their own performance measures to reflect their specific program model. This is provided as an FYI and not specific to any one program.

GOAL: To provide advocacy services to victims of crime				
Screening				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Outcome Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-3)	Year 2– projection
348 clients will be provided services by agency.	# of clients provided services by agency	73	174	348
Personal Advocacy and Accompaniment Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-3)	Year 2– projection
284 clients will receive individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	# of clients provided individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	73	142	284
	# of times staff provided individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	73	64	128
Criminal/Civil Justice System Assistance				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-3)	Year 2– projection
348 clients will receive criminal advocacy/accompaniment.	# of clients provided criminal advocacy/accompaniment.	73	215	287
	# of times staff provided criminal advocacy/accompaniment.	73	86	172

Required Trainings				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-3)	Year 2– projection
<i>12 staff will receive training on trauma</i>	<i># of staff trained</i>	3	9	12
	<i># of trainings held</i>	3	3	4
Required Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-3)	Year 2– projection
8 individuals interviewed to become a CASA Volunteer	# of individuals interviewed to become a CASA volunteer.	8	4	8
	# of individuals offered a volunteer CASA position.	8	5	7
8 volunteer trainings to be held.	# of volunteer trainings held.	3	4	8
	# of volunteers trained.	3	6	12
25 current CASA volunteers.	# of current CASA volunteers.	24	25	25
20 cases to be reviewed and assigned to advocates.	# of cases reviewed and assigned to advocates.	73	10	20
	# of clients served by advocates.	73	120	240
	# of supervision meetings held with advocates.	73	174	348

Priorities

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Program Funding Detail

This designation would support 12 months of funding, representing 24 of the 36 months of programming under the current NOFO. Any future designation recommendations for this program will be pursuant to staff analysis of program performance and will depend on fund availability.

Past Performance

As of September 30, 2021, Boone County CASA has served 97 children this year – the most since 2012. The addition of an Advocate Coordinator has been very helpful in supporting the influx of children and families assigned to the program. This position acts as an extra set of eyes and ears to help with case management, monitor court reports, and assist the advocates with their volunteer duties. The hope is that this extra support will help with advocate retention, resulting in children and families being served by individuals who are trained appropriately and invested in the program.

Budget Detail

	Total
Personnel: Include Total FTE (Both Fed and Match funded): 1.22 FTE	\$59,896
Fringe	\$6,445
Equipment	
Supplies	\$4,048
Travel	
Contractual	\$4,800
Indirect / Other Costs	
Totals Federal / State and Match:	\$75,189

BUDGET COMMITTEE GRANT RECOMMENDATION REPORT

Program Name: Court Appointed Special Advocate CASA Victim Assistance Program – Champaign County

Program Agency DUNS: 015849201

Funding Source: FFY20 Victims of Crime Act: \$228,047

Agency Budget: \$710,728

Request Type: NOFO #1745-1652

Program Description

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- c) Assisting volunteers in case management and review.
- d) Providing consultation on cases as needed.
- e) Evaluating and maintaining volunteer workloads.

Goals: Below is a list of the original Performance Measures used to evaluate each program. Each program selected their own performance measures to reflect their specific program model. This is provided as an FYI and not specific to any one program.

GOAL: To provide core direct services to victims of community violence.				
Screening				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Outcome Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# 140 victims screened for eligibility by your agency. # 140 clients will be provided services by your agency.	# of victims screened for eligibility by your agency. # of victims not eligible for services by your agency and referred to a victim service provider. Please list the agencies to which you referred. # of clients provided services by your agency	150	136	140
Information and Referral Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Outcome Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
#140 clients will receive information about the criminal justice process.	# of clients provided information about the criminal justice process. # of times staff provided information about the criminal justice process.	150	136	140
# 140 clients will receive information about victim rights, how to obtain	# of clients provided information about victim rights, how to obtain	150	135	140

notifications, etc.	notifications, etc. # of times staff provided information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.			
# 120 clients will receive referrals to other victim service providers (includes counseling).	# of clients provided with referrals to other victim service providers. Please list the agencies to which you referred. # of times staff provided referrals to other victim service providers.	150	111	120
# N/A clients will receive referrals to other services, supports, and resources (includes legal, medical, faith-based organizations, etc.)	# ____ clients provided with referrals to other services, supports, and resources. # of times staff provided referrals to other services, supports, and resources.			
Personal Advocacy and Accompaniment Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
#125 clients will receive individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	# of clients provided individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits). # of times staff provided individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	250	319	125
#10 clients will receive interpreter services.	# of clients provided with interpreter services. # of times staff provided interpreter services.	5	8	10
Emotional Support or Safety Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection

# 120 clients will receive crisis intervention	# of clients provided with crisis intervention. # of crisis intervention sessions provided by staff.	150	121	120
Criminal/Civil Justice System Assistance				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# 125 clients will receive notification of criminal justice events (e.g., case status, arrest, court proceedings, case disposition, release, etc.)	# of clients provided notification of criminal justice events. # of times staff provided notification of criminal justice events.	250	466	125
Required Trainings				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
#5 staff will receive training on trauma-informed advocacy	# of staff trained # of trainings on trauma held	5	5	5
# 40 of individuals interviewed to become a CASA volunteer.	# of individuals interviewed to become a CASA volunteer. #35 of individuals offered a volunteer CASA position.	35	45	40
#10 of volunteer trainings to be held.	# of volunteer trainings held. # of volunteers trained.	10	10	10

# 120 of current CASA volunteers.	# of current CASA volunteers.	120	113	120
#35 of cases to be reviewed and assigned to advocates.	# of cases reviewed and assigned to advocates. # of clients served by advocates. # of supervision meetings held with advocates.	35	27	35
Public Awareness				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
N/A Staff will engage in public awareness activities (e.g., development and distribution of print and online material, presentations, etc. to raise awareness of victim rights and services).	# ___ of hours staff engaged in public awareness activities (e.g., development and distribution of print and online material, presentations, etc. to raise awareness of victim rights and services).			

Priorities

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This designation would support 12 months of funding, representing 24 of the 36 months of programming under the current NOFO. Any future designation recommendations for this program will be pursuant to staff analysis of program performance and will depend on fund availability.

Past Performance

Champaign County CASA is proud to have achieved the goals that we can control. We found success in recruiting and assigning new volunteers in a difficult environment to find new volunteers. We exceeded the number of clients receiving advocacy because the number of children, old and new, that we served were high largely due to an increased number of cases filed. We have a growing number of children needing translators as

evidence by the numbers of kids who received that service and, we meet our objectives for trainings of new and current volunteers. Despite COVID, our staff and the social service agencies worked through many barriers to deliver services to the children in Court. COVID has presented challenges to service delivery however, CASA and agencies adapted as best we can and found efficient and effective ways to continue services despite a global pandemic.

Budget Detail

	Total
Personnel: Include Total FTE (Both Fed and Match funded): FTE 4.90	\$196,940
Fringe	\$31,107
Equipment	\$0
Supplies	\$0
Travel	\$0
Contractual	\$0
Indirect / Other Costs	\$0
Totals Federal / State and Match:	\$228,047

BUDGET COMMITTEE GRANT RECOMMENDATION REPORT

Program Name: Court Appointed Special Advocate CASA Victim Assistance Program – Child Abuse Council

Program Agency DUNS: 604788927

Funding Source: FFY20 Victims of Crime Act: \$130,460

Agency Budget: \$1,795,885

Request Type: NOFO #1745-1652

Program Description

Court-appointed special advocates (CASAs) maintain small caseloads of one to two children, helping them navigate the court system. CASAs provide more and higher quality information to the courts than caseworkers or guardians ad litem. Their presence is also associated with better health outcomes for victims and stronger linkages to the medical system.

While victim service agency and criminal justice system coordination, where service providers are located within the courts and police departments to provide support and referrals, has led to improved victim satisfaction, less is known about other victim outcomes. Beyond coordination, a victim-centered approach to services may also increase positive outcomes. A victim-centered approach to advocacy services seeks to reduce re-traumatization, address the needs of survivors, and ensure compassionate, non-judgmental service delivery, particularly in the criminal justice system. Ultimately, the victim's voice, safety, and overall well-being are the top priority of all grant-funded activities.

While there are a variety of avenues through which victims may seek help, the criminal justice system is one setting in which individuals can become aware of or access support services. These programs support court provision of court-appointed special advocates.

Program Activities

The purpose of this program is to fund direct services for child victims of abuse and neglect through municipal county CASA programs. A crime victim is a person who has suffered physical, sexual, or emotional harm as a result of the commission of a crime.

The services for child victims provided by a CASA can include responding to their emotional, psychological, or physical needs; assisting victims to stabilize their lives after victimization; helping victims understand and navigate the criminal justice system; and restoring a measure of security and safety for the victim.

Volunteer coordinators are required to provide training and supervision. Training and supervision refers to the training and supervision of volunteer advocates who provide direct services to child victims of physical and sexual abuse, criminal neglect, and abandonment.

Coordination must include at a minimum:

- a) Training of volunteer advocates.
- b) Reviewing and assigning cases to volunteers.
- c) Assisting volunteers in case management and review.
- d) Providing consultation on cases as needed.
- e) Evaluating and maintaining volunteer workloads.

Goals: Below is a list of the original Performance Measures used to evaluate each program. Each program selected their own performance measures to reflect their specific program model. This is provided as an FYI and not specific to any one program.

GOAL: To provide core direct services to victims of community violence.				
Screening				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Outcome Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# 60 victims screened for eligibility by your agency. # 50 clients will be provided services by your agency.	# of victims screened for eligibility by your agency.	60	16	20
	# of victims not eligible for services by your agency and referred to a victim service provider. Please list the agencies to which you referred.	5	0	0
	# of clients provided services by your agency	50	40	50
Information and Referral Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Outcome Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
#50 clients will receive information about the criminal justice process.	# of clients provided information about the criminal justice process.	50	40	50
	# of times staff provided information about the criminal justice process.	50	40	50
# 50 clients will receive information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.	# of clients provided information about victim rights, how to obtain	50	40	50

	<p>notifications, etc.</p> <p># of times staff provided information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.</p>	50	40	50
# 15 clients will receive referrals to other victim service providers (includes counseling).	# of clients provided with referrals to other victim service providers. Please list the agencies to which you referred.	15	0	0
	# of times staff provided referrals to other victim service providers.	15	0	0
# 15 clients will receive referrals to other services, supports, and resources (includes legal, medical, faith-based organizations, etc.)	# clients provided with referrals to other services, supports, and resources.	15	40	50
	# of times staff provided referrals to other services, supports, and resources.	15	40	50
Personal Advocacy and Accompaniment Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# 0 clients will receive individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	# of clients provided individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	0	40	50
	# of times staff provided individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	0	40	50
# 5 clients will receive interpreter services.	# of clients provided with interpreter services.	(required) 5	0	5
	# of times staff provided interpreter services.	0	0	0
Criminal/Civil Justice System Assistance				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection

# 0 clients will receive notification of criminal justice events (e.g., case status, arrest, court proceedings, case disposition, release, etc.)	# of clients provided notification of criminal justice events.	0	40	50
	# of times staff provided notification of criminal justice events.	0	40	50
# 0 clients will receive criminal advocacy/accompaniment.	# of clients provided criminal advocacy/accompaniment.	0	40	50
	# of times staff provided criminal advocacy/accompaniment.	0	40	50
Required Trainings				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# 4 staff will receive training on trauma-informed advocacy	# of staff trained	4	3	4
	# of trainings on trauma held	2	5	2
# 18 of individuals interviewed to become a CASA volunteer.	# of individuals interviewed to become a CASA volunteer.	18	15	20
	# of individuals offered a volunteer CASA position.	15	13	15
# 18 of volunteer trainings to be held.	# of volunteer trainings held.	18	30	30
	# of volunteers trained.	32	26	35
# 32 of current CASA volunteers.	# of current CASA volunteers.	32	25	35
# 30 of cases to be reviewed and assigned to advocates.	# of cases reviewed and assigned to advocates.	30	16	20
	# of clients served by advocates.	50	40	50
	# of supervision meetings held with advocates.	200	192	350

Priorities

While this funding opportunity responds to several priorities established by the 2017 ICJIA Ad Hoc Victim Services Committee, it most directly addresses priority areas #2 Fundamental Need, #3 Core Services, #5 Underserved Victims, and #9 Long-term Needs.

Program Funding Detail

This designation would support 12 months of funding, representing 24 of the 36 months of programming under the current NOFO. Any future designation recommendations for this program will be pursuant to staff analysis of program performance and will depend on fund availability.

Past Performance

The Rock Island County Court Appointed Special Advocate (RI CASA) program exists to provide the children within our County, who have been removed from their parent’s care as a result of child abuse and/ or neglect and/ or are engaged within the court system with comprehensive advocacy. Said advocacy is facilitated through highly trained Volunteer Advocates who work closely with their assigned child toward the determination and provision of recommendations/ advocacy regarding the child’s best interests. As of November 1st, 2021 Rock Island County has 281 children in care; of which, our RI CASA programming currently serves 36 children. Within the past Fiscal Year (FY) our program successfully closed 7 cases resulting in 12 children achieving reunification and/ or adoption. RI CASA program currently has (25) twenty-five active Volunteer Advocates which includes 11 who were newly recruited and fully trained within FY 21.

Additional program achievements of note would be; A) the successful transitioning of an existing RI CASA Staff Member into their new role as Program Coordinator. This transition has led to a dramatic improvement within key partner relationships and systemic acceptance of RI CASA programming as an asset to our local children, community and court system. Though relatively new within their role the Program Coordinator has effectively cultivated increased utilization and commitment to CASA services by our local Rock Island County Juvenile Court. B) Within FY 21 our Program effectively applied for, and received, funds to support increased educational advocacy and supports for those children assigned to RI CASA services. These supports have included items and efforts such as, but not limited to, securing tutoring services, provision of general supplies (backpacks, writing utensils, art materials etc.) and education games and books. These additional efforts work to help CASA participant children regain/ maintain academic success despite the trauma and instability associated with their foster care placement/ court involvement.

Budget Detail

	Total
Personnel: Include Total FTE (Both Fed and Match funded): FTE 2.25	\$81,250
Fringe	\$24,497
Equipment	\$0
Supplies	\$3,931
Travel	\$1,682

Contractual	\$7,240
Indirect / Other Costs	\$11,860
Totals Federal / State and Match:	\$130,460

BUDGET COMMITTEE GRANT RECOMMENDATION REPORT

Program Name: CASA DeKalb County, Inc.

Program Agency DUNS: 019165781

Funding Source: FFY20 Victims of Crime Act: \$118,194

Agency Budget: \$404,445

Request Type: NOFO #1745-1652

Program Description

Court-appointed special advocates (CASAs) maintain small caseloads of one to two children, helping them navigate the court system. CASAs provide more and higher quality information to the courts than caseworkers or guardians ad litem.ⁱ Their presence is also associated with better health outcomes for victims and stronger linkages to the medical system.ⁱⁱ

While victim service agency and criminal justice system coordination, where service providers are located within the courts and police departments to provide support and referrals, has led to improved victim satisfaction, less is known about other victim outcomes.ⁱⁱⁱ Beyond coordination, a victim-centered approach to services may also increase positive outcomes. A victim-centered approach to advocacy services seeks to reduce re-traumatization, address the needs of survivors, and ensure compassionate, non-judgmental service delivery, particularly in the criminal justice system.^{iv} Ultimately, the victim's voice, safety, and overall well-being are the top priority of all grant-funded activities.

While there are a variety of avenues through which victims may seek help, the criminal justice system is one setting in which individuals can become aware of or access support services. These programs support court provision of court-appointed special advocates.

Program Activities

The purpose of this program is to fund direct services for child victims of abuse and neglect through municipal county CASA programs. A crime victim is a person who has suffered physical, sexual, or emotional harm as a result of the commission of a crime.

The services for child victims provided by a CASA can include responding to their emotional, psychological, or physical needs; assisting victims to stabilize their lives after victimization; helping victims understand and navigate the criminal justice system; and restoring a measure of security and safety for the victim.

Volunteer coordinators are required to provide training and supervision. Training and supervision refers to the training and supervision of volunteer advocates who provide direct services to child victims of physical and sexual abuse, criminal neglect, and abandonment.

Coordination must include at a minimum:

- a) Training of volunteer advocates.
- b) Reviewing and assigning cases to volunteers.
- c) Assisting volunteers in case management and review.
- d) Providing consultation on cases as needed.
- e) Evaluating and maintaining volunteer workloads.

Goals: Below is a list of the original Performance Measures used to evaluate each program. Each program selected their own performance measures to reflect their specific program model. This is provided as an FYI and not specific to any one program.

GOAL: To provide core direct services to victims of community violence.				
Screening				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Outcome Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-3)	Year 2– projection
100 victims screened for eligibility by your agency.	# of victims screened for eligibility by your agency.	193	52	100
806 clients will be provided services by your agency.	# of victims not eligible for services by your agency and referred to a victim service provider. Please list the agencies to which you referred.	N/A	5	4
	# of clients provided services by agency	183	415	806
Information and Referral				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Outcome Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-3)	Year 2– projection
806 clients will receive information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.	# of clients provided information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.	183	403	806
	# of times staff provided information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.	183	403	806
454 clients will receive referrals to other victim service providers (includes counseling).	# of clients provided with referrals to other victim service providers. Please list the agencies to which you referred.	156	227	454

	# of times staff provided referrals to other victim service providers.	156	265	530
510 clients will receive referrals to other services, supports, and resources (includes legal, medical, faith-based organizations, etc.)	# of clients provided with referrals to other services, supports, and resources.	183	255	510
	# of times staff provided referrals to other services, supports, and resources.	183	297	594
Personal Advocacy and Accompaniment Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-3)	Year 2– projection
806 clients will receive individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	# of clients provided individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	183	403	806
	# of times staff provided individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	183	551	1102
Emotional Support or Safety Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-3)	Year 2– projection
84 clients will receive crisis intervention.	# of clients provided with crisis intervention.	35	47	94
	# of crisis intervention sessions provided by staff.	35	74	148
Required Trainings				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-3)	Year 2– projection
4 staff will receive training on trauma	# of staff trained	3	2	4
	# of trainings held	3	5	10
Required Services				

<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-3)	Year 2– projection
15 individuals interviewed to become a CASA volunteer.	# of individuals interviewed to become a CASA volunteer.	15	11	22
	# of individuals offered a volunteer CASA position.	15	10	20
4 volunteer trainings to be held.	# of volunteer trainings held.	2	2	4
	# of volunteers trained.	2	11	22
60 current CASA volunteers.	# of current CASA volunteers.	52	64	60
68 cases to be reviewed and assigned to advocates	# of cases reviewed and assigned to advocates.	183	34	68
	# of clients served by advocates.	183	265	530
	# of supervision meetings held with advocates.	183	505	1,010

Priorities

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Program Funding Detail

This designation would support 12 months of funding, representing 24 of the 36 months of programming under the current NOFO. Any future designation recommendations for this program will be pursuant to staff analysis of program performance and will depend on fund availability.

Past Performance

As of September 30, 2021, the grantee has been assigned as the Guardian ad Litem in juvenile court for 200 children who have experienced abuse or neglect. 181 were ongoing clients and 19 were new clients. The grantee’s role is to be the eyes and ears of the Judge, and the voice of the child in court. The grantee writes court reports to the Judge to provide relevant information regarding the child’s life. Of the 29 children whose cases were closed during the third quarter, 100% were living in safe and permanent homes at the time of the case closure.

The grantee completed its Summer Advocate Training session with four participants, three of which who were offered a CASA Advocate position. VOCA-funded staff also contributed to the grantee’s training efforts with

their current volunteers by holding a Q & A session for current volunteers, as well as a safety training with a guest speaker from the City of DeKalb Police Department. The grantee also sent 25 hours of other continuing education opportunities to its current advocates, including webinars from IL CASA and National CASA.

Budget Detail

	Total
Personnel: Include Total FTE (Both Fed and Match funded): 3.0	\$97,191
Fringe	\$10,258
Equipment	
Supplies	
Travel	
Contractual	
Indirect / Other Costs	\$10,745
Totals Federal / State and Match:	\$118,194

ⁱ Weisz & Thai (2003)

ⁱⁱ Mackarey, A. M. (2019). Examining the Role of Court Appointed Special Advocates in Improving Access to Care for Vulnerable Pediatric Populations. *Pediatrics*, 144(2 MeetingAbstract), 76–76. https://doi.org/10.1542/peds.144.2_MeetingAbstract.76

ⁱⁱⁱ Zweig, J.M. & Burt M.R. (2006). Predicting case outcomes and women's perceptions of the legal system's response to domestic violence and sexual assault: Does interaction between community agencies matter? *Criminal Justice Policy Review*, 17, 202–233.

^{iv} <https://www.ovcttac.gov/taskforceguide/eguide/1-understanding-human-trafficking/13-victim-centered-approach/>

BUDGET COMMITTEE GRANT RECOMMENDATION REPORT

Program Name: Court Appointed Special Advocate CASA Victim Assistance Program - Lake County CASA

Program Agency DUNS: 130509198

Funding Source: FFY20 Victims of Crime Act: \$458,190

Agency Budget: \$1,425,000

Request Type: NOFO #1745-1652

Program Description

Court-appointed special advocates (CASAs) maintain small caseloads of one to two children, helping them navigate the court system. CASAs provide more and higher quality information to the courts than caseworkers or guardians ad litem. Their presence is also associated with better health outcomes for victims and stronger linkages to the medical system.

While victim service agency and criminal justice system coordination, where service providers are located within the courts and police departments to provide support and referrals, has led to improved victim satisfaction, less is known about other victim outcomes. Beyond coordination, a victim-centered approach to services may also increase positive outcomes. A victim-centered approach to advocacy services seeks to reduce re-traumatization, address the needs of survivors, and ensure compassionate, non-judgmental service delivery, particularly in the criminal justice system. Ultimately, the victim's voice, safety, and overall well-being are the top priority of all grant-funded activities.

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Coordination must include at a minimum:

- a) Training of volunteer advocates.
- b) Reviewing and assigning cases to volunteers.
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- e) Evaluating and maintaining volunteer workloads.

Goals: Below is a list of the original Performance Measures used to evaluate each program. Each program selected their own performance measures to reflect their specific program model. This is provided as an FYI and not specific to any one program.

GOAL: To provide core direct services to victims of community violence.				
Screening				
Process Objectives/Standards	Outcome Performance Measures	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# victims screened for eligibility by your agency. # clients will be provided services by your agency.	# of victims screened for eligibility by your agency.	150	174	175
	# of victims not eligible for services by your agency and referred to a victim service provider. Please list the agencies to which you referred.	N/A	N/A	N/A
	# of clients provided services by your agency	600	650	675
# clients will receive referrals to other victim service providers (includes counseling).	# of clients provided with referrals to other victim service providers. Please list the agencies to which you referred.	600	650	675
	# of times staff provided referrals to other victim service providers.	N/T	N/T	N/T
# clients will receive referrals to other services, supports, and resources (includes legal, medical, faith-based organizations, etc.)	# of clients provided with referrals to other services, supports, and resources.	600	650	675
	# of times staff provided referrals to other services, supports, and resources.	N/T	N/T	N/T

Personal Advocacy and Accompaniment Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# clients will receive individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	# of clients provided individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	600	650	675
	# of times staff provided individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	N/T	N/T	N/T
Required Trainings				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# staff will receive training on trauma-informed advocacy	# of staff trained	13	13	14
	# of trainings on trauma held	2	4	3
# of individuals interviewed to become a CASA volunteer.	# of individuals interviewed to become a CASA volunteer.	60	119	110
	# of individuals offered a volunteer CASA position.	60	77	80
# volunteer trainings to be held.	# of volunteer trainings held.	6	6	6
	# of volunteers trained.	60	77	80
# of current CASA volunteers.	# of current CASA volunteers.	290	323	325
# of cases to be reviewed and assigned to advocates.	# of cases reviewed and assigned to advocates.	75	69	80
	# of clients served by advocates.	600	650	675
	# of supervision meetings held with advocates.	N/T	N/T	N/T

Priorities

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Program Funding Detail

This designation would support 12 months of funding, representing 24 of the 36 months of programming under the current NOFO. Any future designation recommendations for this program will be pursuant to staff analysis of program performance and will depend on fund availability.

Past Performance

CASA Lake County has been able to provide support and advocacy services to a record 650 children in 325 cases by end of November of 2021—a number of children and cases that far exceeds any prior year of our agency’s history. The CASA volunteer structure allows the program to provide individualized support and advocacy throughout the duration of their time in care, which is typically approximately 2-3 years for each case. So far in 2021, our advocates have helped achieve permanency in closed 76 cases for a total 148 children. In each of our cases, CASA children and their foster families receive wraparound support and referrals to community services and individualized advocacy in the areas of physical health and safety; mental and behavioral health; medical care and overall wellbeing; education; employment and life skills when appropriate; and any other unique issues or needs specific to a child and their foster families. Despite the challenges caused by Covid-19, our program was able to meet or exceed all designated performance measures. In late 2020, our program began tracking educational support and advocacy in ways that we hadn’t been able to measure previously, allowing us to better understand and demonstrate just how much support our advocates have provided to advance education and help address unmet needs in this category. For example, we can now track the number of IEP Meetings or tutoring sessions provided within cases.

In addition to the high number of children served and changes to our program evaluation tools and methods, CASA Lake County has also utilized VOCA funding to provide advanced training in the areas of trauma and resilience to our staff and volunteers, facilitated by nationally-recognized experts.

Budget Detail

	Total
Personnel: Include Total FTE (Both Fed and Match funded): FTE 7.0	\$354,375
Fringe	\$66,608
Equipment	\$0
Supplies	\$0
Travel	\$0
Contractual	\$0
Indirect / Other Costs	\$37,207
Totals Federal / State and Match:	\$458,190

BUDGET COMMITTEE GRANT RECOMMENDATION REPORT

Program Name: Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Victim Assistance Program – Macon County

Program Agency DUNS: 169977217

Funding Source: FFY20 Victims of Crime Act: \$208,428

Agency Budget: \$765,802

Request Type: NOFO #1745-1652

Program Description

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GOAL: To provide core direct services to victims of community violence.				
Screening				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Outcome Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# 260 victims screened for eligibility by your agency.	# of victims screened for eligibility by your agency.	260	223	260
	# of victims not eligible for services by your agency and referred to a victim service provider. Please list the agencies to which you referred.	0	0	0
	# of clients provided services by your agency	140	126	140
# 140 clients will be provided services by your agency.				
Information and Referral Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Outcome Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
#125 clients will receive information about the criminal justice process.	# of clients provided information about the criminal justice process.	125	251	225
	# of times staff provided information about the criminal justice process.	0	251	200

# 125 clients will receive information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.	# of clients provided information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.	125	230	200
	# of times staff provided information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.	0	466	350
# 180 clients will receive referrals to other victim service providers (includes counseling).	# of clients provided with referrals to other victim service providers. Please list the agencies to which you referred.	180	277	200
	# of times staff provided referrals to other victim service providers.	0	592	500
# 100 clients will receive referrals to other services, supports, and resources (includes legal, medical, faith-based organizations, etc.)	# clients provided with referrals to other services, supports, and resources.	100	272	200
	# of times staff provided referrals to other services, supports, and resources.	0	275	215
Personal Advocacy and Accompaniment Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
#120 clients will receive individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	# of clients provided individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	120	90	85
	# of times staff provided individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	0	79	75
# 0 clients will receive assistance filing for victim compensation.	# of clients provided assistance filing for victim compensation.	0	27	10

	# of times staff provided assistance filing for victim compensation.	0	26	9
# 65 clients will receive transportation assistance.	# of clients provided with transportation assistance.	65	80	68
	# of times staff provided transportation assistance.	0	63	55
# 0 clients will receive interpreter services.	# of clients provided with interpreter services.	0	1	0
	# of times staff provided interpreter services.	0	1	0
Emotional Support or Safety Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# 15 clients will receive crisis intervention	# of clients provided with crisis intervention.	15	21	15
	# of crisis intervention sessions provided by staff.	0	27	15
Shelter/Housing Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# 120 clients will receive housing advocacy, or help with implementing a plan for obtaining housing (e.g., accompanying client to apply for Section 8 housing)	# of clients provided with receive housing advocacy, or help with implementing a plan for obtaining housing (e.g., accompanying client to apply for Section 8 housing)	120	218	175
	# of times staff provided assistance with receive housing advocacy, or help with implementing a plan for obtaining housing (e.g., accompanying client to apply for Section 8 housing)	0	131	100
Criminal/Civil Justice System Assistance				

<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# 25 clients will receive notification of criminal justice events (e.g., case status, arrest, court proceedings, case disposition, release, etc.)	# of clients provided notification of criminal justice events.	25	97	65
	# of times staff provided notification of criminal justice events.	0	102	80
# 200 clients will receive victim impact statement assistance.	# of clients provided victim impact statement assistance.	200	253	200
# 400 clients will receive civil advocacy/accompaniment.	# of clients provided civil advocacy/accompaniment.	400	441	400
	# of times staff provided civil advocacy/accompaniment.	0	343	300
# 10 clients will receive criminal advocacy/accompaniment.	# of clients provided criminal advocacy/accompaniment.	10	20	10
	# of times staff provided criminal advocacy/accompaniment.	0	26	15
Required Trainings				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# 9 staff will receive training on trauma-informed advocacy	# of staff trained	9	13	10
	# of trainings on trauma held	0	9	7
# 70 of individuals interviewed to become a CASA volunteer.	# of individuals interviewed to become a CASA volunteer.	70	81	70
	# of individuals offered a volunteer CASA position.	0	64	60

# 7 of volunteer trainings to be held.	# of volunteer trainings held.	7	7	7
	# of volunteers trained.	0	70	70
# 213 of current CASA volunteers.	# of current CASA volunteers.	213	283	280
#140 of cases to be reviewed and assigned to advocates.	# of cases reviewed and assigned to advocates.	140	95	100
	# of clients served by advocates.	0	971	900
	# of supervision meetings held with advocates.	0	1,095	950
Public Awareness				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
Staff will engage in public awareness activities (e.g., development and distribution of print and online material, presentations, etc. to raise awareness of victim rights and services).	# ___ of hours staff engaged in public awareness activities (e.g., development and distribution of print and online material, presentations, etc. to raise awareness of victim rights and services).	0	480	350

Priorities

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Program Funding Detail

This designation would support 12 months of funding, representing 24 of the 36 months of programming under the current NOFO. Any future designation recommendations for this program will be pursuant to staff analysis of program performance and will depend on fund availability.

Past Performance

Macon County CASA continued to meet nearly all of our originally set goals for outcomes during the first grant year. We met most objectives in the Performance Measures/Standards chart including clients informed about

criminal justice process, clients informed about victim rights, clients receiving referrals to other victim service providers (including counseling), clients receiving referrals to other services, supports and resources (including legal, medical, faith-based organizations), clients receiving assistance in filing for victim compensation, clients receiving transportation assistance, clients receiving assistance with interpreter services, clients receiving crisis intervention, clients receiving housing advocacy, clients receiving notification of criminal justice events, clients receiving victim impact statement assistance, clients receive civic advocacy/accompaniment, clients receiving criminal advocacy/accompaniment, clients receiving training on trauma-informed advocacy, individuals interviewed to become a CASA volunteer, number of volunteers trained, number of current volunteers, numbers of clients serviced by advocates, number of supervision meetings held with advocates, number of hours staff engaged in public awareness activities.

I count many factors that help CASA to continue to be successful in meeting objectives and goals. One significant factor is our focus on communication both internally among staff, but also externally between staff and volunteers, staff and the juvenile advocacy courts, volunteers and the assigned child victims, volunteers/staff and the child victim families, staff to the community. Another factor which keeps CASA on target with our performance measures and goals is our willingness and almost insistence to connect assigned child victims and families with community resources. Our role is to help our assigned kiddos achieve success in all of life. So, when we notice what the needs are (and we do because of our close relationships and regular contact with kiddos and families) and we connect the kiddos and families with those resources. Also assisting our efforts externally is the fact that our community offers resources to fill all needs that we come across for our kiddos and families. These factors have bred a true level of success for CASA in our advocacy of child victims.

Budget Detail

	Total
Personnel: Include Total FTE (Both Fed and Match funded): FTE 5.0	\$166,000
Fringe	\$12,700
Equipment	\$0
Supplies	\$3,900
Travel	\$4,888
Contractual	\$6,733
Indirect / Other Costs	\$14,207
Totals Federal / State and Match:	\$208,428

BUDGET COMMITTEE GRANT RECOMMENDATION REPORT

Program Name: Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Victim Assistance Program - CASA
McHenry County

Program Agency DUNS: 073599454

Funding Source: FFY20 Victims of Crime Act: \$106,016

Agency Budget: \$443,917

Request Type: NOFO # 1745-1652

Program Description

Court-appointed special advocates (CASAs) maintain small caseloads of one to two children, helping them navigate the court system. CASAs provide more and higher quality information to the courts than caseworkers or guardians ad litem.ⁱ Their presence is also associated with better health outcomes for victims and stronger linkages to the medical system.ⁱⁱ

While victim service agency and criminal justice system coordination, where service providers are located within the courts and police departments to provide support and referrals, has led to improved victim satisfaction, less is known about other victim outcomes.ⁱⁱⁱ Beyond coordination, a victim-centered approach to services may also increase positive outcomes. A victim-centered approach to advocacy services seeks to reduce re-traumatization, address the needs of survivors, and ensure compassionate, non-judgmental service delivery, particularly in the criminal justice system.^{iv} Ultimately, the victim's voice, safety, and overall well-being are the top priority of all grant-funded activities.

While there are a variety of avenues through which victims may seek help, the criminal justice system is one setting in which individuals can become aware of or access support services. These programs support court provision of court-appointed special advocates.

Program Activities

The purpose of this program is to fund direct services for child victims of abuse and neglect through municipal county CASA programs. A crime victim is a person who has suffered physical, sexual, or emotional harm as a result of the commission of a crime.

The services for child victims provided by a CASA can include responding to their emotional, psychological, or physical needs; assisting victims to stabilize their lives after victimization; helping victims understand and navigate the criminal justice system; and restoring a measure of security and safety for the victim.

Volunteer coordinators are required to provide training and supervision. Training and supervision refers to the training and supervision of volunteer advocates who provide direct services to child victims of physical and sexual abuse, criminal neglect, and abandonment.

Coordination must include at a minimum:

- a) Training of volunteer advocates.
- b) Reviewing and assigning cases to volunteers.
- c) Assisting volunteers in case management and review.
- d) Providing consultation on cases as needed.
- e) Evaluating and maintaining volunteer workloads.

Goals: Below is a list of the original Performance Measures used to evaluate each program. Each program selected their own performance measures to reflect their specific program model. This is provided as an FYI and not specific to any one program.

GOAL: To provide core direct services to victims of community violence.				
Screening				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Outcome Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-3)	Year 2– projection
535 victims screened for eligibility by your agency.	# of victims screened for eligibility by your agency.	138	401	535
535 clients will be provided services by your agency.	# of victims not eligible for services by your agency and referred to a victim service provider. Please list the agencies to which you referred.	N/A	0	0
	# of clients provided services by agency	220	401	535
Required Trainings				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-3)	Year 2– projection
12 staff will receive training on trauma	# of staff trained	12	9	12
	# of trainings on trauma held	12	21	28
Required Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-3)	Year 2– projection

56 individuals interviewed to become a CASA volunteer.	# of individuals interviewed to become a CASA volunteer.	20	42	56
	# of individuals offered a volunteer CASA position.	20	26	35
4 volunteer trainings to be held.	# of volunteer trainings held.	4	3	4
	# of volunteers trained.	4	23	31
113 current CASA volunteers.	# of current CASA volunteers.	108	115	113
36 cases to be reviewed and assigned to advocates.	# of cases reviewed and assigned to advocates.	46	27	36
	# of clients served by advocates.	46	401	535

Priorities

While this funding opportunity responds to several priorities established by the 2017 ICJIA Ad Hoc Victim Services Committee, it most directly addresses priority areas #2 Fundamental Need, #3 Core Services, #5 Underserved Victims, and #9 Long-term Needs.

Program Funding Detail

This designation would support 12 months of funding, representing 24 of the 36 months of programming under the current NOFO. Any future designation recommendations for this program will be pursuant to staff analysis of program performance and will depend on fund availability.

Past Performance

CASA of McHenry County continues to work with the community and court to serve the best interest of the children that are a part of our program. Despite the challenges created by COVID, CASA has continued to advocate and represent 100% of the children assigned to us by the court. The grantee has implemented new, creative ways to recruit volunteers – including consistent social media posts, yard signs, and car magnets to get the word out in our community. CASA has implemented monthly information meetings to inform and recruit individuals regarding what their purpose and mission are in the community. CASA continues to focus its efforts on the recruitment and training of volunteers in order to make sure the child’s needs are being met and to be the voice for the child in court.

CASA of McHenry County completed evaluations sent to all of its advocates to receive feedback on what is going well for them as advocates and what may need improvement in the program. Advocates felt that they are being supported by their Advocate Managers. They also stated that they feel their works makes an impact in the child’s life.

CASA of McHenry County continues to provide an abundance of training opportunities for the education of the advocates. There is a newsletter that is sent to advocates with the monthly training opportunities to attend.

Budget Detail

	Total
Personnel: Include Total FTE (Both Fed and Match funded): 2.8927	\$98,482
Fringe	\$7,534
Equipment	
Supplies	
Travel	
Contractual	
Indirect / Other Costs	
Totals Federal / State and Match:	\$106,016

ⁱ Weisz & Thai (2003)

ⁱⁱ Mackarey, A. M. (2019). Examining the Role of Court Appointed Special Advocates in Improving Access to Care for Vulnerable Pediatric Populations. *Pediatrics*, 144(2 MeetingAbstract), 76–76. https://doi.org/10.1542/peds.144.2_MeetingAbstract.76

ⁱⁱⁱ Zweig, J.M. & Burt M.R. (2006). Predicting case outcomes and women's perceptions of the legal system's response to domestic violence and sexual assault: Does interaction between community agencies matter? *Criminal Justice Policy Review*, 17, 202–233.

^{iv} <https://www.ovcttac.gov/taskforceguide/eguide/1-understanding-human-trafficking/13-victim-centered-approach/>

BUDGET COMMITTEE GRANT RECOMMENDATION REPORT

Program Name: Court Appointed Special Advocate CASA Victim Assistance Program – McLean County

Program Agency DUNS: 057428943

Funding Source: FFY20 Victims of Crime Act: \$191,377

Agency Budget: \$276,346

Request Type: NOFO #1745-1652

Program Description

Court-appointed special advocates (CASAs) maintain small caseloads of one to two children, helping them navigate the court system. CASAs provide more and higher quality information to the courts than caseworkers or guardians ad litem. Their presence is also associated with better health outcomes for victims and stronger linkages to the medical system.

While victim service agency and criminal justice system coordination, where service providers are located within the courts and police departments to provide support and referrals, has led to improved victim satisfaction, less is known about other victim outcomes. Beyond coordination, a victim-centered approach to services may also increase positive outcomes. A victim-centered approach to advocacy services seeks to reduce re-traumatization, address the needs of survivors, and ensure compassionate, non-judgmental service delivery, particularly in the criminal justice system. Ultimately, the victim's voice, safety, and overall well-being are the top priority of all grant-funded activities.

While there are a variety of avenues through which victims may seek help, the criminal justice system is one setting in which individuals can become aware of or access support services. These programs support court provision of court-appointed special advocates.

Program Activities

The purpose of this program is to fund direct services for child victims of abuse and neglect through municipal county CASA programs. A crime victim is a person who has suffered physical, sexual, or emotional harm as a result of the commission of a crime.

The services for child victims provided by a CASA can include responding to their emotional, psychological, or physical needs; assisting victims to stabilize their lives after victimization; helping victims understand and navigate the criminal justice system; and restoring a measure of security and safety for the victim.

Volunteer coordinators are required to provide training and supervision. Training and supervision refers to the training and supervision of volunteer advocates who provide direct services to child victims of physical and sexual abuse, criminal neglect, and abandonment.

Coordination must include at a minimum:

- a) Training of volunteer advocates.
- b) Reviewing and assigning cases to volunteers.
- c) Assisting volunteers in case management and review.
- d) Providing consultation on cases as needed.
- e) Evaluating and maintaining volunteer workloads.

Goals: Below is a list of the original Performance Measures used to evaluate each program. Each program selected their own performance measures to reflect their specific program model. This is provided as an FYI and not specific to any one program.

GOAL: To provide core direct services to victims of community violence.				
Screening				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Outcome Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# n/a victims screened for eligibility by your agency.	# of victims screened for eligibility by your agency.	n/a	n/a	45
	# of victims not eligible for services by your agency and referred to a victim service provider. Please list the agencies to which you referred.	n/a	n/a	0
	# of clients provided services by your agency	127	128	140
# 127 clients will be provided services by your agency.				
Information and Referral Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Outcome Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
#127 clients will receive information about the criminal justice process.	# of clients provided information about the criminal justice process.	127	128	140
	# of times staff provided information about the criminal justice process.	254	256	280
# 127 clients will receive information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.	# of clients provided information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.	127	128	140

	# of times staff provided information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.	127	128	140
# 127 clients will receive referrals to other victim service providers (includes counseling).	# of clients provided with referrals to other victim service providers. Please list the agencies to which you referred.	127	128	140
	# of times staff provided referrals to other victim service providers.	254	254	280
# 127 clients will receive referrals to other services, supports, and resources (includes legal, medical, faith-based organizations, etc.)	# clients provided with referrals to other services, supports, and resources.	127	128	140
	# of times staff provided referrals to other services, supports, and resources.	127	134	140
Personal Advocacy and Accompaniment Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
#127clients will receive individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	# of clients provided individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	127	128	140
	# of times staff provided individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	254	348	560
Emotional Support or Safety Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# 5 clients will receive crisis intervention	# of clients provided with crisis intervention.	5	9	6
	# of crisis intervention sessions provided by staff.	5	9	6

Criminal/Civil Justice System Assistance				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# 140 clients will receive notification of criminal justice events (e.g., case status, arrest, court proceedings, case disposition, release, etc.)	# of clients provided notification of criminal justice events.	n/a	n/a	140
	# of times staff provided notification of criminal justice events.	n/a	n/a	280
# 140 clients will receive criminal advocacy/accompaniment.	# of clients provided criminal advocacy/accompaniment.	n/a	n/a	140
	# of times staff provided criminal advocacy/accompaniment.	n/a	n/a	280
Required Trainings				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
#4 staff will receive training on trauma-informed advocacy	# of staff trained	4	4	4
	# of trainings on trauma held	1	2	1
# 17 of individuals interviewed to become a CASA volunteer.	# of individuals interviewed to become a CASA volunteer.	17	20	24
	# of individuals offered a volunteer CASA position.	15	21	24
#3 of volunteer trainings to be held.	# of volunteer trainings held.	3	3	4
	# of volunteers trained.	15	21	24
# 75 of current CASA volunteers.	# of current CASA volunteers.	75	87	100

#25 of cases to be reviewed and assigned to advocates.	# of cases reviewed and assigned to advocates.	25	26	30
	# of clients served by advocates.	40	40	45
	# of supervision meetings held with advocates.	254	593	360
Public Awareness				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
Staff will engage in public awareness activities (e.g., development and distribution of print and online material, presentations, etc. to raise awareness of victim rights and services).	# ___ of hours staff engaged in public awareness activities (e.g., development and distribution of print and online material, presentations, etc. to raise awareness of victim rights and services).	n/a	n/a	30

Priorities

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Program Funding Detail

This designation would support 12 months of funding, representing 24 of the 36 months of programming under the current NOFO. Any future designation recommendations for this program will be pursuant to staff analysis of program performance and will depend on fund availability.

Past Performance

During the first grant period to date, 69 assigned CASA volunteers advocated for the best interests of 129 child victims who were residing in foster care as a result of abuse or neglect. Through the CASA volunteers direct service advocacy and referrals made to other victim service providers, these child victims were provided the necessary services and supports needed to help them navigate the juvenile abuse and neglect court and foster care systems. One of the strongest areas of performance for the program during the first grant period was in supervision meetings held by the Case Managers with the CASA volunteers. To date, the Case Managers have participated in 593 supervision meetings, more than doubling the initial program goal of 254 meetings. Supervision is critical in providing feedback and direction on case specific information, continuing education training hours and monthly direct service hours. Another strong area of performance was in the CASA volunteers' participation in crisis intervention, specifically CIPP (Clinical Intervention for Placement

Preservation (CIPP) meetings. To date, CASA volunteers have participated in 9 CIPP meetings, far exceeding the program’s initial goal of providing 5 children with crisis intervention services.

Budget Detail

	Total
Personnel: Include Total FTE (Both Fed and Match funded): FTE 2.98	\$141,279
Fringe	\$43,653
Equipment	\$0
Supplies	\$0
Travel	\$125
Contractual	\$6,320
Indirect / Other Costs	\$0
Totals Federal / State and Match:	\$191,377

BUDGET COMMITTEE GRANT RECOMMENDATION REPORT

Program Name: Court Appointed Special Advocate CASA Victim Assistance Program – River Valley

Program Agency DUNS: 003610446

Funding Source: FFY20 Victims of Crime Act: \$144,707

Agency Budget: \$947,006

Request Type: NOFO #1745-1652

Program Description

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Screening				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Outcome Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# 385 victims screened for eligibility by your agency. # 385 clients will be provided services by your agency.	# of victims screened for eligibility by your agency. # of victims not eligible for services by your agency and referred to a victim service provider. Please list the agencies to which you referred. # of clients provided services by your agency	385	396	410
Information and Referral Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Outcome Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# 385 clients will receive information about the criminal justice process.	# of clients provided information about the criminal justice process. # of times staff provided information about the criminal justice process.	385	396	410

# 385 clients will receive information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.	# of clients provided information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc. # of times staff provided information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.	385	396	410
# 385 clients will receive referrals to other victim service providers (includes counseling).	# of clients provided with referrals to other victim service providers. Please list the agencies to which you referred. # of times staff provided referrals to other victim service providers.	385	396	410
# 385 clients will receive referrals to other services, supports, and resources (includes legal, medical, faith-based organizations, etc.)	# clients provided with referrals to other services, supports, and resources. # of times staff provided referrals to other services, supports, and resources.	385	396	410
Personal Advocacy and Accompaniment Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# 385 clients will receive individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	# of clients provided individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits). # of times staff provided individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	385	396	410
# 0 clients will receive assistance filing for victim compensation.	# of clients provided assistance filing for victim compensation. # of times staff provided assistance filing for victim compensation.	0	6	15

# 5 clients will receive interpreter services.	# of clients provided with interpreter services.	5	7	8
	# of times staff provided interpreter services.			
Emotional Support or Safety Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# 385 clients will receive crisis intervention	# of clients provided with crisis intervention.	385	396	410
	# of crisis intervention sessions provided by staff.			
Criminal/Civil Justice System Assistance				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# 385 clients will receive civil advocacy/accompaniment.	# of clients provided civil advocacy/accompaniment.	385	396	410
	# of times staff provided civil advocacy/accompaniment.			
Required Trainings				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# 12 staff will receive training on trauma-informed advocacy	# of staff trained	12	11	11
	# of trainings on trauma held			
# 35 of individuals interviewed to become a CASA volunteer.	# of individuals interviewed to become a CASA volunteer.	35	44	50
	# of individuals offered a volunteer CASA position.			
# 4 of volunteer trainings to be held.	# of volunteer trainings held.	4	7	7
	# of volunteers trained.			

# 101 of current CASA volunteers.	# of current CASA volunteers.	101	120	135
# 35 of cases to be reviewed and assigned to advocates.	# of cases reviewed and assigned to advocates. # of clients served by advocates. # of supervision meetings held with advocates.	35	66	75
Public Awareness				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
Staff will engage in public awareness activities (e.g., development and distribution of print and online material, presentations, etc. to raise awareness of victim rights and services).	# of hours staff engaged in public awareness activities (e.g., development and distribution of print and online material, presentations, etc. to raise awareness of victim rights and services).	3	3	3

Priorities

While this funding opportunity responds to several priorities established by the 2017 ICJIA Ad Hoc Victim Services Committee, it most directly addresses priority areas #2 Fundamental Need, #3 Core Services, #5 Underserved Victims, and #9 Long-term Needs.

Program Funding Detail

This designation would support 12 months of funding, representing 24 of the 36 months of programming under the current NOFO. Any future designation recommendations for this program will be pursuant to staff analysis of program performance and will depend on fund availability.

Past Performance

During the grant cycle, CASA of River Valley’s main goal was to provide Guardian ad Litem and Special Advocacy services to a total of 385 child victims of abuse and neglect. CASA has exceeded this goal by serving 396 children as of this writing. All of the children and families CASA worked with received relevant information and updates on the criminal justice process, victim’s rights, referrals to necessary services and community resources, crisis intervention, and exceptional advocacy services both in and out of the courtroom. Our program estimated that 5 individuals would require interpreter services; during the grant cycle, CASA provided interpreter services to 7 individuals. CASA of River Valley estimated that we would hold 4 trainings

that would allow 35 individuals to become new CASA volunteers; during the grant cycle, CASA of River Valley held 7 trainings and accepted 44 new volunteers into the program.

Since the Coronavirus pandemic began, it has negatively impacted the education of every child in the United States and, arguably, the world. In response to this, our program has improved services to children and their families by working with Illinois CASA to develop and implement an Educational Advocacy program. This program provided all CASA of River Valley program staff and volunteers with in-depth training on how to ensure CASA children did not fall further behind their peers academically. The CASA program monitored developmental milestones for children, collaborated with schools to monitor children’s grades and advocate for appropriate interventions, and provided all CASA children with new learning resources, subscriptions, and books that were appropriate to their age.

Budget Detail

	Total
Personnel: Include Total FTE (Both Fed and Match funded): FTE 2.0	\$114,400
Fringe	\$17,152
Equipment	\$0
Supplies	\$0
Travel	\$0
Contractual	\$0
Indirect / Other Costs	\$13,155
Totals Federal / State and Match:	\$144,707

BUDGET COMMITTEE GRANT RECOMMENDATION REPORT

Program Name: Court Appointed Special Advocate CASA Victim Assistance Program – Sangamon County

Program Agency DUNS: 054218524

Funding Source: FFY20 Victims of Crime Act: \$228,826

Agency Budget: \$947,006

Request Type: NOFO #1745-1652

Program Description

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- e) Evaluating and maintaining volunteer workloads.

Goals: Below is a list of the original Performance Measures used to evaluate each program. Each program selected their own performance measures to reflect their specific program model. This is provided as an FYI and not specific to any one program.

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Screening				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Outcome Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# 625 victims screened for eligibility by your agency.	# of victims screened for eligibility by your agency.	625	378	597
	# of victims not eligible for services by your agency and referred to a victim service provider. Please list the agencies to which you referred.			
# 244 clients will be provided services by your agency.	# of clients provided services by your agency	244	598	300
Information and Referral Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Outcome Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
#244 clients will receive information about the criminal justice process.	# of clients provided information about the criminal justice process.	244	598	300
	# of times staff provided information about the criminal justice process.		599	

<p># 244 clients will receive information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.</p>	<p># of clients provided information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.</p> <p># of times staff provided information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.</p>	<p>244</p>	<p>598</p> <p>523</p>	<p>300</p>
<p># 244 clients will receive referrals to other victim service providers (includes counseling).</p>	<p># of clients provided with referrals to other victim service providers. Please list the agencies to which you referred.</p> <p># of times staff provided referrals to other victim service providers.</p>	<p>244</p>	<p>598</p> <p>175</p>	<p>300</p>
<p># 244 clients will receive referrals to other services, supports, and resources (includes legal, medical, faith-based organizations, etc.)</p>	<p># ____ clients provided with referrals to other services, supports, and resources.</p> <p># of times staff provided referrals to other services, supports, and resources.</p>	<p>244</p>	<p>598</p> <p>442</p>	<p>300</p>
Personal Advocacy and Accompaniment Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
<p>#244 clients will receive individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).</p>	<p># of clients provided individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).</p> <p># of times staff provided individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).</p>	<p>244</p>	<p>598</p> <p>36</p>	<p>300</p>
<p>#244 clients will receive transportation assistance.</p>	<p># of clients provided with transportation assistance.</p> <p># of times staff provided transportation assistance.</p>	<p>244</p>	<p>598</p> <p>16</p>	<p>300</p>

#244 clients will receive interpreter services.	# of clients provided with interpreter services. # of times staff provided interpreter services.	244	0 0	300
Emotional Support or Safety Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# 244 clients will receive crisis intervention	# of clients provided with crisis intervention. # of crisis intervention sessions provided by staff.	244	14 14	300
Shelter/Housing Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# 244 clients will receive relocation assistance.	# of clients provided with relocation assistance.	244	7	300
# 244 clients will receive housing advocacy, or help with implementing a plan for obtaining housing (e.g., accompanying client to apply for Section 8 housing)	# of clients provided with receive housing advocacy, or help with implementing a plan for obtaining housing (e.g., accompanying client to apply for Section 8 housing) # of times staff provided assistance with receive housing advocacy, or help with implementing a plan for obtaining housing (e.g., accompanying client to apply for Section 8 housing)	244	598 37	300
Criminal/Civil Justice System Assistance				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# 244 clients will receive notification of criminal justice events (e.g., case status, arrest, court proceedings, case disposition, release, etc.)	# of clients provided notification of criminal justice events. # of times staff provided notification of criminal justice events.	244	598 228	300

# 244 clients will receive civil advocacy/accompaniment.	# of clients provided civil advocacy/accompaniment.	244	598	300
	# of times staff provided civil advocacy/accompaniment.		10	
# 244 clients will receive criminal advocacy/accompaniment.	# of clients provided criminal advocacy/accompaniment.	244	598	300
	# of times staff provided criminal advocacy/accompaniment.		9	

Required Trainings

<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# 4 staff will receive training on trauma-informed advocacy	# of staff trained	4	4	4
	# of trainings on trauma held		5	
# 50 of individuals interviewed to become a CASA volunteer.	# of individuals interviewed to become a CASA volunteer.	50	93	65
	# of individuals offered a volunteer CASA position.		44	
# 5 of volunteer trainings to be held.	# of volunteer trainings held.	5	4	4
	# of volunteers trained.		27	
# 52 of current CASA volunteers.	# of current CASA volunteers.	100	67	100
# 50 of cases to be reviewed and assigned to advocates.	# of cases reviewed and assigned to advocates.	50	59	50
	# of clients served by advocates.		598	
	# of supervision meetings held with advocates.		1413	

Public Awareness

<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
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Staff will engage in public awareness activities (e.g., development and distribution of print and online material, presentations, etc. to raise awareness of victim rights and services).	# ___ of hours staff engaged in public awareness activities (e.g., development and distribution of print and online material, presentations, etc. to raise awareness of victim rights and services).	4	4 232	4
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Priorities

While this funding opportunity responds to several priorities established by the 2017 ICJIA Ad Hoc Victim Services Committee, it most directly addresses priority areas #2 Fundamental Need, #3 Core Services, #5 Underserved Victims, and #9 Long-term Needs.

Program Funding Detail

This designation would support 12 months of funding, representing 24 of the 36 months of programming under the current NOFO. Any future designation recommendations for this program will be pursuant to staff analysis of program performance and will depend on fund availability.

Past Performance

CASA of Sangamon County conducted a Volunteer Survey of the CASA program. Some of the areas reviewed were to determine if our volunteers felt adequately prepared to serve as a CASA volunteer, had a clear understanding of the court system, had a clear understanding of the various forms of child abuse and neglect. This feedback will allow us to grow as an agency and better serve the children of Sangamon County. The second evaluation tool CASA of Sangamon County started using was an Exit Interview for Volunteers whether it was voluntary or involuntary. Exit interviews are important because they offer a deeper look at your workplace culture, day-to-day processes, management solutions, and volunteer morale.

CASA of Sangamon County staff attended Vicarious Trauma training given by Illinois Collaboration on Youth. It addressed trauma and its impact on those in caring professions. CASA has also made several new training resources available in our office library to our Advocates and staff, including several resources on Trauma Awareness and Trauma Informed Practices. CASA hired and trained three new Advocate Supervisors. They have assisted in the training of CASA volunteers as well coordinate and supervise casework responsibilities. CASA also increased the number children served from 94 children since December 2020 to 190 by November 1, 2021. CASA has also increased the number of Advocates from 46 at the end of December 2020 to 67 as of November 1, 2021. CASA currently has 5 Advocates in training.

Budget Detail

	Total
Personnel: Include Total FTE (Both Fed and Match funded): FTE 3.84	\$143,921
Fringe	\$49,892
Equipment	\$0
Supplies	\$1,055
Travel	\$0
Contractual	\$719
Indirect / Other Costs	\$33,239
Totals Federal / State and Match:	\$228,826

BUDGET COMMITTEE GRANT RECOMMENDATION REPORT

Program Name: Court Appointed Special Advocate CASA Victim Assistance Program – Southwestern Illinois

Program Agency DUNS: 080792859

Funding Source: FFY20 Victims of Crime Act: \$365,574

Agency Budget: \$847,212

Request Type: NOFO #1745-1652

Program Description

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- a) Training of volunteer advocates.
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- c) Assisting volunteers in case management and review.
- d) Providing consultation on cases as needed.
- e) Evaluating and maintaining volunteer workloads.

Goals: Below is a list of the original Performance Measures used to evaluate each program. Each program selected their own performance measures to reflect their specific program model. This is provided as an FYI and not specific to any one program.

GOAL: To provide core direct services to victims of community violence.				
Screening				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Outcome Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
325 victims screened for eligibility by your agency.	325 of victims screened for eligibility by your agency.	300	280	325
325 clients will be provided services by your agency.	# Of victims not eligible for services by your agency and referred to a victim service provider. Please list the agencies to which you referred.	0	0	0
	325 clients provided services by your agency	300	280	325
Information and Referral Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Outcome Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
325 clients will receive information about the criminal justice process.	325 clients provided information about the criminal justice process.	300	280	325
	325 times staff provided information about the criminal justice process.	300	280	325
325 clients will receive information about victim	325 clients provided information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.	300	280	325

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100 clients will receive referrals to other victim service providers (includes counseling).	100 clients provided with referrals to other victim service providers.	300	0	100
	250 times staff provided referrals to other victim service providers.	300		250
325 clients will receive referrals to other services, supports, and resources (includes legal, medical, faith-based organizations, etc.)	325 clients provided with referrals to other services, supports, and resources.	300	280	325
	600 Of times staff provided referrals to other services, supports, and resources.	300	577	600
Personal Advocacy and Accompaniment Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
325 clients will receive individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	325 clients provided individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	300	280	325
	325 times staff provided individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	300	280	325
0 clients will receive assistance filing for victim compensation.	0 of clients provided assistance filing for victim compensation.	300	0	0
	0 Of times staff provided assistance filing for victim compensation.	300	0	0
Emotional Support or Safety Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection

325 clients will receive crisis intervention	325 clients provided with crisis intervention.	300	280	325
	550 crisis intervention sessions provided by staff.	300	501	550
Shelter/Housing Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
__0_ clients will receive relocation assistance.	0 of clients provided with relocation assistance.	n/a	n/a	n/a
325 clients will receive housing advocacy, or help with implementing a plan for obtaining housing (e.g., accompanying client to apply for Section 8 housing)	325 clients provided with receive housing advocacy, or help with implementing a plan for obtaining housing (e.g., accompanying client to apply for Section 8 housing)	300	280	325
	325 times staff provided assistance with receive housing advocacy, or help with implementing a plan for obtaining housing (e.g., accompanying client to apply for Section 8 housing)	300	307	325
0 clients will receive criminal advocacy/accompaniment.	0 of clients provided criminal advocacy/accompaniment. 0 Of times staff provided criminal advocacy/accompaniment.	n/a	n/a	n/a
Therapy for Minor Victims				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
100 of clients provided with therapy.	100 clients provided with therapy.	0	0	100
500 Of therapy sessions provided by staff.	0 Of therapy sessions provided by staff.	n/a	n/a	500

Required Trainings				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
6 staff will receive training on trauma-informed advocacy	6 staff trained	6	14	6
	10 trainings on trauma held	10	10	10
200 individuals interviewed to become a CASA volunteer.	200 individuals interviewed to become a CASA volunteer.	200	133	200
	150 individuals offered a volunteer CASA position.	200	100	150
15 volunteer trainings to be held.	15 volunteer trainings held.	15	13	15
	100 volunteers trained.	100	70	100
200 current CASA volunteers.	200 current CASA volunteers.	175	152	200
200 cases to be reviewed and assigned to advocates.	200 cases reviewed and assigned to advocates.	300	90	200
	250 clients served by advocates.	300	196	250
	500 supervision meetings held with advocates.	300	900	500
Public Awareness				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
Staff will engage in public awareness activities (e.g., development and distribution of print and online material, presentations, etc. to raise awareness of victim rights and services).	#_800_ of hour’s staff engaged in public awareness activities (e.g., development and distribution of print and online material, presentations, etc. to raise awareness of victim rights and services).	n/a	n/a	800

If providing therapy:	100 clients provided with therapy.	0	0	100
100 clients will receive therapy.	# of therapy sessions provided by staff or through contracted services.	n/a	n/a	500

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Program Funding Detail

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Past Performance

Quantitative Program Measures

At the time of the submission of this continuation funding application for 2022, based up the first thru third quarter performance measures/standards, CASA of Southwestern Illinois has successful provided services to 204 new child victims. Additionally, CASA of Southwestern Illinois has provided services to 76 child victims to date (November 2021 – fourth quarter). Total to date – 280 new child victims. CASA of Southwestern Illinois projected to service 300 new child victims.

Based upon the year to date of 280 new child victims, at the anticipated closure (December 31st, 2021) of the fourth quarter, CASA predicts to exceed the projection of 300 new child victims.

Qualitative Program Measures

- 1) VOCA funding has allowed CASA of Southwestern Illinois to strengthen its program infrastructure to serve child victims waiting for child advocacy services.
- 2) CASA of Southwestern Illinois increased its presence in the court systems of St. Clair, Randolph, Madison, and Monroe counties of Illinois for child victims as demonstrated by VOCA funded personnel and CASA Volunteer Advocates’ participation and attendance in all judicial proceedings including shelter care child victims’ cases.
- 3) VOCA funding allowed CASA of Southwestern Illinois the opportunity to develop a risk management tool to assess severity of internal and external factors that defines the level of child victims’ services. Risk Assessment – age, gender, history of abuse, substance involvement, parental legal and substance abuse history, family support system, etc. The risk management assessment is a driver or indication of the overall customized individualized plan for the level of services for child victims.

Budget Detail

	Total
Personnel: Include Total FTE (Both Fed and Match funded): 5.50 FTE	\$205,807
Fringe	\$52,866
Equipment	\$1,500
Supplies	\$23,859
Travel	\$7,312
Contractual	\$74,230
Indirect / Other Costs	\$0
Totals Federal / State and Match:	\$365,574

BUDGET COMMITTEE GRANT RECOMMENDATION REPORT

Program Name: Court Appointed Special Advocate CASA Victim Assistance Program - Winnebago County CASA

Program Agency DUNS: 966478468

Funding Source: FFY20 Victims of Crime Act: \$270,800

Agency Budget: \$274,116

Request Type: NOFO #1745-1652

Program Description

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<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Outcome Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# ____ clients will receive referrals to other victim service providers.	# of clients provided with referrals to other victim service providers.	500	330	350
Personal Advocacy and Accompaniment Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# ____ clients will receive advocacy/accompaniment to emergency medical care.	# of clients provided with advocacy / accompaniment to emergency medical care.	0	0	0
# ____ clients will receive individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	# of clients provided individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits). # of times staff provided individual advocacy (e.g., assistance applying for public benefits).	100	330	330
Emotional Support or Safety Services				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection

# ____ clients will receive crisis intervention.	# of clients provided with crisis intervention. # of crisis intervention sessions provided by staff.	500	330	350
# ____ clients will receive individual counseling.	# of clients provided with individual counseling. # of individual counseling sessions provided by staff.	500	330 provided through the case worker agency, not casa	350
# ____ clients will receive emergency financial assistance.	# of clients provided with emergency financial assistance.	0	0	0
Criminal/Civil Justice System Assistance				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# ____ clients will receive civil advocacy/accompaniment.	# of clients provided civil advocacy/accompaniment. # of times CASA provided civil advocacy/accompaniment.	500	330 clients 314 Court Appearances	350
Required Trainings				
<u>Process Objectives/Standards</u>	<u>Process Performance Measures</u>	Year 1 - Projected	Year 1 – Actual (Quarters 1-4)	Second 12 Month– projection
# ____ staff will receive training on trauma	# of staff trained # of trainings held	10	10	10

Priorities

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Program Funding Detail

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Past Performance

As we have been working on growing our program, we have taken the time to strengthen our infrastructure to support our growth. We have increased accountability at all levels of the program from the volunteers to the board members. This also has allowed us to improve the quality of service to our families. We thought with the additional staff we would see an immediate increase in the number we are serving. What we did notice is with our growth we identified areas we needed to strengthen and infrastructures that needed to be addressed. We were hoping to meet the goal of 500 children served this year, however as of today's date of 11/18, we have served about 330 children.

Budget Detail

	Total
Personnel: Include Total FTE (Both Fed and Match funded): FTE 9.55	\$254,426
Fringe	\$16,374
Equipment	
Supplies	
Travel	
Contractual	
Indirect / Other Costs	
Totals Federal / State and Match:	\$270,800



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MEMORANDUM

To: Budget Committee Members
From: Shai Hoffman, Program Manager
Date: December 16, 2021
Subject: **FFY20 Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Fund**

This memo describes recommended changes to FFY20 Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Fund (CESF) designations.

The Illinois Department of Corrections (IDOC) was issued a CESF agreement from ICJIA in the amount of \$9,238,160. IDOC later notified ICJIA that it received an SFY22 General Revenue (GR) appropriation for the same purpose. To avoid supplanting, GR funds must be exhausted before federal CESF funds may be spent.

Staff recommends reducing the IDOC award while extending the end date of the period of performance to June 30, 2022. Staff further recommends re-designating those funds to 10 grantees that are successfully serving clients and managing subawards. These additional dollars would extend their periods of performance to June 30, 2022. CESF grantees project more than 70,000 additional clients will be served, as detailed below.

Services include:

- 165 recently incarcerated Cook County residents receiving substance abuse and mental health counseling.
- 190 organizations serving CESF clients receiving agency support.
- 256 juveniles in the custody of the state receiving residential placement or educational support.
- 340 families receiving rental and utility assistance, or emergency housing.
- 750 clients will receive counseling, forensic interviews, advocacy, and supportive services through Child Advocacy Centers.
- 3,500 child victims of abuse or neglect receiving educational and emotional support.
- 5,000 clients in disadvantaged communities receiving prepared meals, produce boxes and food vouchers for use at mobile markets.
- 10,000 victims of sexual assault or domestic violence receiving supportive services and counseling.

The table below details the grantees' current awards, recommended additional funding. If approved, the end date of these awards would be January 31, 2023.

Staff from the funded agencies will be available at the meeting to answer any questions.

Grantee	Current Designation	Supplemental Designation	Revised Designation	Additional Months of Funding
Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault	\$1,242,272	\$500,000	\$1,742,272	6
Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence	\$1,183,520	\$454,926	\$1,638,446	6
Children's Advocacy Center of Illinois	\$904,575	\$625,005	\$1,529,580	5
Illinois Association of Court Appointed Special Advocates	\$1,136,595	\$833,096	\$1,969,691	6
Lake County Crisis Center DBA A Safe Place	\$1,042,358	\$614,500	\$1,656,858	6
The Network	\$1,778,439	\$708,333	\$2,486,772	5
Urban Growers Collective	\$286,380	\$162,251	\$448,631	5
Monroe Foundation	\$398,211	\$208,335	\$606,546	9
Roseland Community Hospital	\$474,136	\$174,709	\$648,845	5
Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice	\$660,122	\$197,162	\$857,284	3
Subtotal	\$9,106,608	\$4,478,317	\$13,584,925	
Illinois Department of Corrections	\$9,238,160	(\$4,268,026)	\$4,970,134	6
Unallocated Funds	\$129,412	(\$129,412)	\$0	
Accrued Interest	\$80,879	(\$80,879)	\$0	
Total	\$18,555,059	\$0	\$18,555,059	

ICJIA staff will be available at the meeting to answer any questions.



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Budget Committee Members

FROM: Greg Stevens, Associate Director, Federal and State Grants Unit

DATE: December 16, 2021

RE: **State Fiscal Year 2022 Program Appropriations:**
A. Community-Based Violence Intervention and Prevention
B. Death Penalty Abolition Fund
C. Illinois Innocence Project

This memo describes proposed designations of State Fiscal Year 2022 appropriation funds for programs referenced above. Staff will be available to answer any questions.

A. Community-Based Violence Intervention and Prevention

Supplemental Documents

B. Death Penalty Abolition Fund

Public Act 725 ILCS 5/119(b) directed the transfer of all unobligated and unexpended monies remaining in the Capital Litigation Trust Fund to the Death Penalty Abolition Fund, a special fund in the state treasury, to be expended by ICJIA. These funds shall be used for services for families of victims of homicide or murder and for training of law enforcement personnel. Through current and past appropriations, ICJIA has used DPA funds to support crisis response and recovery services to family members of homicide and murder and provided training to law enforcement personnel.

Recommended Designations

In the December 15, 2020, Budget Committee Meeting, the Committee approved a notice of funding opportunity (NOFO) for grants to provide services for families of victims of homicide or murder.

This NOFO was posted for a total of 45 days. At the close of the NOFO, staff received a total of seven applications. All seven applications were eligible for review. Applications were scored through a merit-based review process by two teams of reviewers made up of internal and external reviewers. We made our recommendations by referring to the NOFO guidance that states to go down the scoring list from highest to lowest and select programs until the amount of funding is exhausted.

1. Lake County Crisis Center

Staff recommends designating \$286,703.52 in SFY22 DPA funds to the Lake County Crisis Center for a Safe Place's "Expanded Crisis Response Services for Families Experiencing Trauma due to Homicide Program." This funding will allow for the expansion of its crisis response services to include adult and child survivors of domestic violence or human trafficking related homicides. These services will be offered 24/7/365 and is expected to serve 40 clients during the 7-month grant period, by providing comprehensive mental health services, case management, and other trauma informed supportive services. This program will serve Lake County, suburban Cook County, and McHenry County.

2. James B. Moran Center for Youth Advocacy

Staff recommends designating \$75,000 in SFY22 DPA funds to the James B. Moran Center for Youth Advocacy for their proposed program "Services to Assist Families Experiencing Trauma." This funding will allow the Moran Center to provide legal representation to Evanston youth through the age of 26 involved in the criminal justice systems, case management, counseling, crisis management, and linkage to other supportive services, such as housing, food, and additional psychiatric services. This program will serve the City of Evanston/Evanston Township.

3. Family Resources, Inc

Staff recommends designating \$155,326.26 in SFY22 DPA funds to Family Resources, Inc. for their proposed program "Family Resources' Homicide and other Violent Crimes Program." This program will support families, children, and adults, that have been impacted by homicide through a survivor-centered, trauma-informed, and evidence-based approach. Services will include crisis response, case management/advocacy, individual support, group support, and therapy. These services are available 24/7/365 and provides on scene crisis response, emergency shelter, housing coordination, violent crime incident stress debriefings, crisis counseling, and provide one of the few evidence-based services offered to homicide survivors – restorative retelling. This program will serve Rock Island, Henry, and Mercer County Regions.

Additional information is provided in the attached Grant Recommendation Reports. Staff will be available to answer any questions.

C. Illinois Innocence Project

Recommended Designation Increase

The mission of the Illinois Innocence Project (IIP), founded in 2001 at the University of Illinois Springfield, is three-pronged:

- I. **Legal Advocacy** — IIP works to exonerate innocent men and women who were wrongfully convicted and imprisoned in Illinois for crimes they did not commit.
- II. **Reform** — IIP works toward reforms of the Illinois criminal justice system to prevent miscarriages of justice and to ensure people who have committed unlawful acts are brought to justice when someone else is convicted in their place.
- III. **Education** — IIP educates students, the public, and law enforcement about wrongful convictions, why they occur, and how to prevent them.

Staff recommends designating an additional \$50,000 in SFY22 Innocence Project funds to the existing \$900,000 that was designated on August 19, 2021 to the University of Illinois at Springfield to support the project for 12 months, for an amended grant amount of \$950,000. ICJIA had originally planned to retain \$100,000 of the \$1 million appropriation for administrative purposes; that amount will be reduced to \$50,000. Further details are available in the attached Grant Recommendation Report.

Staff will be available at the meeting to answer any questions.

BUDGET COMMITTEE GRANT RECOMMENDATION REPORT

Program Name: Death Penalty Abolition Fund – Lake County Crisis Center

Program Agency DUNS: 122324247

Funding Source: SFY22 Death Penalty Abolition Fund: \$286,703.52

Agency Budget: \$9,454,672

Request Type: Notice of Funding Opportunity 2162-1815

Program Description

Lake County Crisis Center will provide homicide response services for homicides in Lake County, suburban Cook County, and McHenry County including crisis response, case management, supportive counseling, referral services, youth therapeutic services, criminal justice advocacy, and linkage to other necessary supportive services.

Program Activities

- Funds will be used to expand Lake County Crisis Center – A Safe Place’s crisis response service for families experiencing trauma due to homicide. These services will include adult and child survivors of domestic violence or human trafficking related homicides. These services will be offered 24/7/365, will serve 40 clients during the initial 7-month funding period.
- Funds will be used to provide comprehensive mental health services, case management, and other trauma-informed supportive services.
- This program will serve Lake County, suburban Cook County, and McHenry County.

Goals

Lake County Crisis Center will screen 100% of referrals for additional services. 75% will receive additional supportive services. 100% of program staff will become trauma-informed providers and attend 3 continuing education trainings within the grant period. 4 households will receive rental and relocation assistance. 50% of referrals will receive crisis intervention services, 67% will participate in therapeutic counseling within 7 days of incident.

Priorities

ICJIA administers the Death Penalty Abolition Fund, created by Public Act 725 ILCS 5/119-1(b), which requires funds to be expended for services for families of victims of homicide or murder and for training of law enforcement personnel.

Program Funding Detail

This designation will support a funding period of 7 months, representing Year 1 of programming. Any future designation recommendations for this program will be pursuant to staff analysis of program performance and will depend on fund availability.

Past Performance

Not Applicable.

Budget Detail (Extended Grant)

	Total
Personnel Total FTE:	\$130,666.69
Fringe	\$43,512.11
Occupancy (Rent and Utilities)	\$15,074.48
Supplies	\$9,299.92
Travel	\$8,450
Contractual	\$7,000
Indirect / Other Costs	\$25,600.32
Other or Miscellaneous Costs: Visa Fees, Relocation Costs, Rental Assist	\$47,100
Total Federal	\$286,703.52

BUDGET COMMITTEE GRANT RECOMMENDATION REPORT

Program Name: Death Penalty Abolition Fund – James B. Moran Center for Youth Advocacy

Program Agency DUNS: 085865483

Funding Source: SFY22 Death Penalty Abolition Fund: \$75,000

Agency Budget: \$1,454,348

Request Type: Notice of Funding Opportunity 2162-1815

Program Description

James B. Moran Center for Youth Advocacy will provide homicide response services to youth through the age of 26 for homicides in the City of Evanston/Evanston Township including crisis response, case management, counseling, referral services, criminal justice advocacy and legal representation, and linkage to other necessary supportive services, such as housing, food, and additional psychiatric services.

Program Activities

Program activities will include crisis intervention, case management and supportive counseling, referral to mainstream benefits, linkage to medical, dental, and psychiatric care, and will provide criminal justice advocacy activities.

Goals

90% of clients access additional government resources/benefits. 90% of clients will have access to weekly trauma-informed therapy/counseling or other interventions within 7 days of incident. 100% of clients who do not have access to medical services, including physical, mental, or dental, will be receive those services. 100% of clients will have access to crisis intervention services, followed by ongoing case management and therapeutic services until no longer needed and clients are engaged in services. 100% of clients will receive a response to a crisis call within 24 hours. 75% of clients will be referred for additional services. 78% of clients will receive individualized, trauma-informed therapy/counseling services. 100% of social workers will participate in at least 2 trainings focused on trauma-informed services/care.

Priorities

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Program Funding Detail

This designation will support a funding period of 7 months, representing Year 1 of programming. Any future designation recommendations for this program will be pursuant to staff analysis of program performance and will depend on fund availability.

Past Performance

Not Applicable.

Budget Detail

	Total
Personnel Total FTE: 2	\$61,500
Fringe	\$9,088.86
Equipment	\$0
Supplies	\$0
Travel	\$3,360
Contractual	\$0
Other or Miscellaneous Costs; Client Support	\$51.14
Training and Education	\$1,000
Total Federal	\$75,000

BUDGET COMMITTEE GRANT RECOMMENDATION REPORT

Program Name: Death Penalty Abolition Fund – Family Resources, Inc

Program Agency DUNS: 078086246

Funding Source: SFY22 Death Penalty Abolition Fund: \$155,326.26

Agency Budget: \$10,878,472

Request Type: Notice of Funding Opportunity 2162-1815

Program Description

Family Resources, Inc. will provide services to adults and children that have been impacted by homicide through a survivor-centered, trauma-informed, and evidence-based approach. This program will serve Rock Island, Henry, and Mercer County Regions.

Program Activities

Program activities will include crisis intervention, case management, advocacy, individual and group support, on scene crisis response, emergency shelter, housing coordination, violent crime incident stress debriefings, crisis counseling, and restorative retelling.

Goals

80% of clients will report improvement post counseling. 100% of clients will be referred for additional supportive services. 100% of clients will participate in counseling within 7 days of incident. 100% of clients will receive government benefits within 60 days of referral, if applicable. 80% of clients will attend regular counseling within 60 days of referral. The program will also host and attend 4 trainings on trauma-informed care.

Priorities

ICJIA administers the Death Penalty Abolition Fund, created by Public Act 725 ILCS 5/119-1(b), which requires funds to be expended for services for families of victims of homicide or murder and for training of law enforcement personnel.

Program Funding Detail

This designation will support a funding period of 7 months, representing Year 1 of programming. Any future designation recommendations for this program will be pursuant to staff analysis of program performance and will depend on fund availability.

Past Performance

Not Applicable.

Budget Detail

	Total
Personnel Total FTE:	\$111,056.16
Fringe	\$31,800.18
Equipment	\$0
Supplies	\$904.17
Travel	\$6,665.75
Contractual	\$1,050
Indirect / Other Costs	\$0
Occupancy (Rent and Utilities)	\$2,450
Telecommunications	\$1,400
Total	\$155,326.26

BUDGET COMMITTEE GRANT RECOMMENDATION REPORT

Program Agency DUNS: 965932734

Funding Source: SFY22 State Budget Appropriation: \$1,000,000

Agency Budget: \$50,403,900

Request Type: Amendment

Program Description

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- III. **Education** — IIP educates students, the public, and law enforcement about wrongful convictions, why they occur, and how to prevent them.

Program Activities

IIP staff and students review about 300 requests for assistance annually; IIP has received 3,456 requests for assistance since 2001. IIP was intimately involved in the release of 16 innocent individuals, and the posthumous exoneration of another; these individuals being wrongfully imprisoned for a total of 346 years at a cost of \$13.7 million to Illinois taxpayers. IIP provides all legal representation and services at no cost, relying on charitable donations and grants to support its work.

Goals

Legal-Advocacy

- Maintain legal and organizational capacity to meet caseload demands.
- Renew capacity to investigate and litigate cases and initiate activities under the Latino Innocence Initiative.
- Screen and evaluate requests for assistance — IIP receives on average one request a day from inmates, families, and/or friends to provide legal help, which must be screened for eligibility and then, for eligible cases, evaluated to determine the case for innocence and what can be done to help the individual pursue legal avenues towards exoneration.
- Contract with investigators on specific cases to provide information necessary to determine next steps to be taken by legal staff.
- Involve University of Illinois Springfield undergraduate students to screen, examine, and evaluate requests for assistance.

- Provide legal and organizational support to meet operational needs unfunded by federal grants, which are restricted to certain types of DNA cases or cases with special circumstances, such as those involving guilty pleas, incentivized testimony, or work with prosecutors and Conviction Integrity Units.

Reform

- Educate policymakers on reforms to the criminal justice system of Illinois and reforms to prevent wrongful convictions.
- Present Wrongful Conviction Avoidance training classes to police cadets at the Police Training Institute at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.
- Work with PTI and policy makers to present Wrongful Conviction Avoidance training classes to other police training institutes in Illinois.

Education

- Educate and involve in case screening and evaluation University of Illinois Springfield undergraduate student volunteers, interns, and workers.
- Contract with exonerees to present to students in UIS Conviction of the Innocent classes as well as in the larger University and Springfield communities.

Priorities

Illinois has a long history of wrongfully convicting people who have been accused of the most serious crimes. As noted by the National Registry of Exonerations, Illinois, with 357 exonerations, places second only to Texas, with 397, for the greatest number of exonerations in the country.

Program Funding Detail

This designation would support 12 months of program funding. Any future designation recommendations for this program will be pursuant to staff analysis of program performance and will depend on fund availability.

Past Performance

Over the past year, IIP legal staff has worked on numerous motions and petitions and successfully gained a gubernatorial clemency/pardon of one individual and the release of four innocent individuals while maintaining a caseload of approximately 40 clients. IIP personnel continued to teach UIS and UIUC law school classes on wrongful conviction, speak to public audiences about the project, and hold training sessions with cadets at the Police Training Institute at UIUC. IIP worked with key legislators to get unanimous passage in the House of a bill that would increase compensation for those exonerated due to wrongful convictions, although the bill never made it through the Senate for final passage. IIP participated in numerous discussions on police reform and was central in getting the passage of legislation that would limit the use of deceit by police in the interrogation of juveniles.

Budget Detail

	Total
Personnel Total FTE: 11.43	\$576,764
Fringe	\$210,744
Supplies	\$0
Travel	\$12,941
Contractual	\$15,727
Indirect / Other Costs	\$133,824
Totals Federal / State and Match:	\$950,000