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Services*Training*Officers*Prosecution (STOP) Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) & Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP) 2012 Subgrantee Grant Administration Manual

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Introduction

How to Use this Manual

CJCC Staff created this manual to help subgrantees navigate some of the complexities associated with their STOP VAWA and/or SASP grants. This manual is **not comprehensive** and you may still encounter issues or questions related to managing your grant that are not covered in here. **This manual does not replace the requirements in your special conditions.** These conditions still govern your use of STOP VAWA and/or SASP funds. This manual should help you implement and abide by those special conditions more effectively.

This manual is meant to guide the implementation of your STOP VAWA and/or SASP subgrant. What follows is a detailed, though **not exhaustive**, description of the programmatic and financial guidelines you must follow to administer your grant funds successfully. The information contained in this manual is based on several sources including, but not limited to the [STOP VAWA Program FAQ's](#), the [2011 OJP Financial Guide](#), the [STOP legislation](#), and the [SASP Program FAQ's](#).

CJCC encourages subgrantees to download this manual to their computers and refer to it as often as they need to when they encounter questions or concerns related to their STOP VAWA and/or SASP grant.

Please note, CJCC may also update this manual from time to time as the Violence Against Women Act is reauthorized, new policies or guidance comes from the Office on Violence Against Women, new reimbursement or grant management policies are instituted here at CJCC or to address emerging issues subgrantees face. Staff will do their best to alert subgrantees about changes in this manual. You will know which version is most current by looking in the footer of each page. This current version is denoted "2.12" because it was created and finalized in February 2012.

We have also tried to make this manual as user-friendly as possible. The Table of Contents (TOC) on Pages 2-3 is fully clickable, i.e. you can click on any of the main or sub-headings on the TOC to go to the page that discusses the issue with which you are concerned. All of the text that is hyperlinked in this manual is fully functional – to go to the webpage containing the information that is referred to in the text, simply click on the hyperlinked text.

If you feel staff has not covered a certain topic thoroughly enough, or you see a gap in the topics covered in this manual, please give your feedback to one of the staff listed on the cover page.

Thank you for all the work you do on behalf of women and children victims of violence.

Overview of CJCC, STOP VAWA, and SASP

The Criminal Justice Coordinating Council

The Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) is the state planning and grants agency for criminal justice and victims' assistance programs that the Governor of Georgia has designated as the State Administering Agency. CJCC's enabling statute (O.C.G.A. § 35-6A-2) ensures its members represent all components of the criminal justice system. CJCC builds knowledge and partnerships among state, local, and non-governmental organizations to enhance the effectiveness of Georgia's criminal justice system and to develop and sustain results-driven programs, services and activities.

CJCC manages and subgrants federal formula funds allocated to the State of Georgia under the Services*Training*Officers*Prosecution program created by the Violence Against Women Act, 42 U.S.C.A. § 3796gg(b) and the Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP), 42 U.S.C. §14043g. In addition to managing these formula grants, CJCC also applies for competitive funding in partnership with subgrantee and local agencies through the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) and provides subgrantees with information and technical regarding upcoming funding opportunities. In the past, CJCC has applied for OVW's Rural Grants programs, Grants to Encourage Arrest, and Safe Havens program.

Services*Training*Officers*Prosecution (STOP) Formula Grants

The STOP program is meant to strengthen and coordinate the criminal justice and service provider response to violent crimes against women. By law, the state must allocate the annual STOP award as follows:

- 30% is reserved for victim services, of which 10% must be for culturally specific programs;
- 25% is reserved for programs that benefit law enforcement;
- 25% is reserved for programs that benefit prosecution;
- 5% is reserved for programs that benefit the courts;
- 15% is discretionary.

Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP)

SASP is the first federal funding stream solely dedicated to the provision of direct intervention and related assistance to victims of sexual assault. The law's purpose is to provide intervention, advocacy, victim accompaniment (e.g. to court, medical facilities, police departments etc.), support services, and related assistance for adult, youth, and child sexual assault victims. SASP-funded agencies may also provide services to victims' family and household members and to those whom the sexual assault collaterally affects.

Subgrantee Eligibility, Funding Cycles, and Priority Areas

Eligibility and Funding Cycles

The STOP VAWA program is open to offices and agencies of State government, local government, and Indian tribal government, as well as, to nonprofit, nongovernment victim services programs.

SASP directs grant dollars to support rape crisis centers and other nonprofit, nongovernmental organizations, including faith-based and other community organizations that provide core services, direct intervention and related assistance to sexual assault victims. Eligible recipients include rape crisis centers and other nonprofit organizations such as dual programs that serve domestic violence and sexual assault victims, and child advocacy centers.

CJCC generally makes competitive grants under the STOP VAWA or SASP program every four years. Continuation funding is awarded to organizations that receive funding during a competitive cycle for the following three years **depending on** the subgrantee's compliance with programmatic and financial reporting requirements. If a program changes scope, or loses staff, CJCC reserves the right to decrease a subgrantee's award upon grant continuation. As a general rule, CJCC does not increase grant awards from one year to the next during a continuation cycle.

STOP VAWA Priority Areas

The STOP program section of the Violence Against Women Act contains 14 purpose areas under which state administering agencies, such as CJCC, are allowed to make subgrants. Briefly, these purpose areas are:

1. Training for law enforcement officers, judges, court personnel, and prosecutors about how to effectively identify and respond to violent crimes against women;
2. Developing, training, or expanding units of law enforcement, judges, court personnel, and prosecutors to specifically target violent crimes against women;
3. Developing and implementing more effective police, court, and prosecution policies, protocols, orders and services to prevent, identify, and respond to violence against women – including sexual assault and domestic violence;
4. Developing, installing or expanding data collection and communication systems to identify and track arrests, protection orders, protection order violations, prosecution and the conviction of offenders who commit violent crimes against women;
5. Developing, expanding or strengthening victim services programs – including those that address stalking;
6. Developing formal and informal statewide, multidisciplinary efforts to coordinate community response to violence against women;
7. Training sexual assault forensic medical examiner personnel to collect and preserve evidence;
8. Developing, expanding, or strengthening victim service programs to address the

- needs and circumstances of older and disabled women who are violence victims;
9. Providing assistance to victims of domestic violence or sexual assault in immigration matters;
 10. To develop or expand programs to respond to the needs and circumstances of women victims of violence in Indian tribes;
 11. To develop or expand programs that assist law enforcement, prosecutors, judges or other court personnel in responding to the needs of elderly or disabled women victims of violence;
 12. To maintain core victim services while exploring innovative initiatives;
 13. To support the placement of special victim assistants (to be known as "Jessica Gonzales Victim Assistants") in local law enforcement agencies to serve as liaisons between victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking and personnel in local law enforcement agencies to improve the enforcement of protection orders; and
 14. To provide funding for law enforcement agencies and victim service providers for training, protocol implementation, and services for female victims of violence that is perpetrated by law enforcement agents (Crystal Judson Domestic Violence Protocol Program).

CJCC reserves the right to focus on any one of these priority areas in its requests for proposals, depending on the needs subgrantees and other stakeholders observe. In the past, CJCC has focused on programs that meet the first nine of the 14 priority areas, however, as needs and state demographics change, so may priority focus.

Sexual Assault Services Program Priorities

The **SASP** program is much narrower than STOP VAWA. The program is aimed at providing funding for direct services to male, female, adult and child victims of sexual violence. CJCC considers the following factors in the decision to distribute funds to eligible applicants:

- Sexual assault or rape crisis centers must currently receive funding from and be certified by the Georgia Department of Human Services¹;
- Rape crisis/sexual assault centers or programs must provide direct intervention and related assistance services;
- Dual programs that provide sexual assault and domestic violence services in currently underserved areas so they may enhance their sexual assault related direct interventions and assistance; and,
- Dual programs that provide sexual assault and child advocacy services in currently underserved areas so they may enhance their sexual assault related direct intervention and assistance.
- Giving priority to areas of varying geographic size with the greatest showing of need and considering the geographic area's population;
- Equitably distributing monies on a geographic basis, including both non-urban and

¹ For DHS guidelines for sexual assault and rape crisis centers see: Georgia Department of Human Services, Division of Family and Children Services, *Sexual Assault Centers: Site Visit Report*

- rural areas of various geographic sizes;
- Ensuring that the needs of previously underserved populations (as defined in, 42 U.S.C. §13925(a)(33)) are met;
- Expanding existing services into underserved geographic areas;
- Expanding the array of services offered or the types of victims served within existing geographic service areas to include underserved victims; and,
- Ensuring geographic access to services within a reasonable traveling distance while avoiding duplicating services within the same county.

Programmatic Requirements and Technical Assistance

Statistical Reporting

CJCC requires **one of two** different types of statistical reports for STOP VAWA Subgrantees, depending upon the type of project they are completing. SASP subgrantees should only use the **Victim Services Statistical Report (VSSR)** for quarterly reports. If a subgrantee is completing a STOP VAWA project that is primarily direct victim services or they should complete the **VSSR**. These reports must be submitted on a **quarterly** basis. If a subgrantee is completing a project that primarily benefits law enforcement, prosecution, the courts, probation/parole, or primarily involves training or fatality review, they should complete the **Criminal Justice System Services Report (CJSSR)**. These reports are due on a **semi-annual** basis.

Reports should be completed via the web-based platform, available January 2012, and located on [CJCC's website](#) under Grants>>Forms & Publications>>Programmatic Reporting Forms. Subgrantees will need their **current** grant number and password to access the reporting site. To find your current grant number, please check your grant award packet or most recently submitted Subgrant Expenditure Report. You will not be able to enter the site using an old grant number. Your password will be emailed to your project director listed on your grant award. If you have multiple grants with CJCC, your password will be the same for all your grants.

All STOP VAWA and SASP subgrantees must also submit the STOP VAWA and/or SASP Annual Reporting Form, which will also be available on CJCC's website under Grants>>Forms & Publications>>Programmatic Reporting Forms. These forms will be updated on an annual basis since the federal Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) creates these forms for the state subgrantees.

Dates for submitting VAWA and/or SASP **VSSR Quarterly** Reports are as follows (and are available on the Google Calendar on CJCC's website, so please be sure to add these to your agency's calendar):

Quarter 1:	January 1-March 31	Due: April 30
Quarter 2:	April 1 – June 30	Due: July 30
Quarter 3:	July 1 – September 30	Due: October 30
Quarter 4:	October 1 – December 31	Due: January 30

Dates for submitting STOP VAWA **CJSSR Semi-Annual** Reports are as follows (and are available on the Google Calendar on CJCC's Website, so please be sure to add these to your agency's calendar:

Period 1:	January 1-June 30	Due: July 30
Period 2:	June 30-December 31	Due: January 30

The due date for the **Annual** report may vary depending upon when CJCC receives the form from OVW. Generally, this report is **due around mid-February**. Subgrantees should check their email for a notice that this report has been released and a due date.

NOTE: As of the July 30, 2011 reporting period, CJCC no longer sends reminder emails to subgrantees about upcoming reports. The subgrantee is responsible for monitoring CJCC's website on or around the time this annual report is due to ensure they have the proper forms and instructions. Please **mark your calendars accordingly**. You may use the "Copy to My Calendar" option from CJCC's Google Calendar to add items directly to your agency calendar. To do this, simply click on the event you would like to add and select the "Copy to My Calendar" link.

(1) Reminders for Completing Your VSSR Form

The VSSR has seven (7) sections. Subgrantees must complete six (6) of the seven (7) sections during three of the four quarters. In the fourth quarter report, subgrantees **must also** complete the seventh section of narrative questions. As a courtesy, CJCC has provided in [Appendix 2](#) step-by-step instructions for subgrantees that use the ALICE program to collect their statistics to pull their VSSR reports. This document was prepared by the Partnership Against Domestic Violence.

The web-based tool has built-in validation capabilities. Subgrantees should be sure that their demographic data aligns with the number of victims they report serving in each category. Additionally, subgrantees should also ensure that the number of services they report are equal to if not greater to the number of victims they report serving. Incorrect or inaccurate data will not be accepted in the web-based system and the subgrantee **will not be able to submit** their VSSR on this platform until all the data is correct.

Below are common mistakes and reminders for successfully submitting your VSSR.

- Be sure that the number **new victims** served in each crime category is equal to the number of victims reported in each demographic section for that crime:
 - Example: If you report serving 12 new domestic violence victims in IIA; the numbers reported in the Age, Race, Gender, and Disability Categories for "Domestic Violence" victims in IIB should add up to 12.
 - If you are not sure about the demographic information for a victim, please include them under the "unknown" category for each demographic.
- Be sure that the number of services you report is **greater than or equal to** the number of new victims you report;

- Be sure the number of services you report for **existing victims** is **greater than or equal to** the total number of existing victims you report.

CJCC has created both a Quicksheet and a VSSR Terms Definitions & FAQ's document to help address more complicated or persistent issues related to completing the VSSR or to what kind of data you should collect.

(2) Subgrantees Who Receive Both SASP and/or VAWA and VOCA Victim Services Funds

If your agency receives funding to provide direct victim services through VOCA and VAWA and/or SASP, you **must report your statistics for each program separately**. Please be sure that whichever data collection method you use (a Client Management Information Systems such as ALICE, paper tallies, Excel worksheets, Time and Activity Reports) is able to track the clients you serve with either your VOCA or VAWA/SASP grant **separately**.

Examples:

- a. Suzy Advocate is funded through your agency's VOCA grant at 80% of her time and through your VAWA grant for 20% of her time. Suzy served 40 victims this quarter. You should report the following:

40 victims * 0.8 (proportion of time Suzy is on VOCA Grant) = 32 victims served with VOCA Funds

40*0.2 (proportion of time Suzy is on VAWA Grant) = 8 victims served with VAWA funds.

NOTE: If your agency receives VAWA funds but you serve victims of all kinds of crime (e.g. if you are a Sheriff's or Prosecutor's VWAP), you should only report victims of dating violence, sexual assault, domestic violence, stalking, or child victims of domestic violence and co-victims of sexual assault that you served on your **VAWA** and/or **SASP** VSSR. You **should not** be reporting burglary, larceny or any other type of victim.

- b. Suzy Advocate is funded through your agency's VOCA grant at 50% and Norene Counselor is funded through your VAWA grant at 75%. Suzy Advocate served 50 victims and Norene Counselor treated 30 victims. You should report the following.

50*0.5 (proportion of Suzy's time paid for with VOCA funds) = 25 victims served with VOCA funds

30*0.75 (proportion of Norene's time paid for with VAWA funds) = 22.5 (round to 23) victims served with VAWA funds.

The restriction on the kinds of victims that should be reported on your VAWA and/or SASP VSSR applies here as well.

- c. **If you cannot track statistics by the advocate serving the victim...** An alternative method to reporting statistics based on the advocate to whom the case is assigned, may be to report your agency's statistics based on the **proportion of your total budget that each grant represents**. In other words, if you cannot separate the services you provide either by the advocate who provides them or by the grant under which they are funded, you can take all of the statistics per quarter in your agency and multiple them by the proportion of your total agency budget that a grant represents.

Example:

Your agency's budget breakdown is the following:

VOCA Grant – 35%
SASP Grant – 5%
UnitedWay – 15%
Private Donations – 10%
Community Foundation Grants – 10%
Major Events – 15%
5% Funding – 10%

In the first quarter of your VOCA Grant (October 1-December 31) your agency served 25 child sexual abuse victims and 10 sexual assault victims. You would report:

$0.35 \times 25 = 9$ child sexual abuse victims
 $0.35 \times 10 = 4$ adult sexual assault victims

NOTE: Whatever your cutoff, you must report services and demographic data for those victims as well.

Outcome Performance Measures

Subgrantees funded to provide **direct victim services** with STOP VAWA funds and **all SASP** subgrantees must also collect outcome performance measure data from their clients. CJCC has provided survey instruments for subgrantees to distribute to clients who have **substantially completed services**. These surveys are available at CJCC's website under Grants>>Forms & Publications>>Outcome Performance Reporting Tools. Here you will find the survey tools and Excel spreadsheets to help you tally your data.

Outcome performance measures are reported through the Performance Vista's web tool. Links for this tool are located the STOP VAWA or SASP grant specific pages on CJCC's website. To navigate to these web pages go to Grant Programs>>(SASP or VAWA)>>Reporting. This tool **will be open only for a limited amount of time** during reporting periods (April 1-30, and October 1-30). Below are reporting due dates (these are also available on CJCC's Google Calendar):

Semi-Annual:	October 1 – March 31	Due: April 30
Annual:	April 1 – September 30	Due: October 30

For more information or technical assistance about collecting or reporting your outcome measure statistics, you may listen to the various webinars posted on [CJCC's YouTube Page](#).

Tardy Programmatic Reports or Continuation Applications

Delays in programmatic reports can cause CJCC to be late in its reporting requirements to our federal partners. Therefore, CJCC takes timeliness in programmatic reports **very seriously**. Please refer to [CJCC's subgrantee compliance policy](#) for the progressive sanctions imposed for chronic tardiness in programmatic or fiscal reports. A copy of the policy was included in your award packet as well.

If you are late with your programmatic or expenditure reports, you must submit a [Waiver Request](#) within **10 days** after the reporting deadline has expired. Your request will be considered and CJCC may grant the waiver **at its discretion**. The waiver will allow your agency to avoid penalties.

The subgrantee is responsible for abiding by **all special conditions**, reporting requirements, and deadlines. Tardy continuation applications will also result in an automatic recommendation to CJCC's governing council to reduce funding by 10%.

Training Materials: Subgrantee-Sponsored Training – STOP VAWA Subgrantees Only

As part of your special conditions, you must submit any agendas or materials for training your organization will provide to internal or external partners (e.g. police, prosecutors, judges, SANE's, other victim advocates etc.) and for which you will use STOP VAWA funds **at least 30 days** prior to the scheduled training.

This provision helps CJCC ensure that the training you are providing is fully allowable. Some considerations you should take when submitting a training agenda:

1. Does your training have a message primarily about preventing sexual assault, domestic violence, stalking, or dating violence?

If yes, this may be unallowable. STOP VAWA funds **may not** be used for activities focused primarily on prevention. CJCC reserves the right to pay for only that portion of the training that is allowable under the STOP VAWA purpose areas.

2. Is your training meant for middle school children or elementary school children?

If yes, this is not allowable. CJCC's special conditions specifically disallow activities or training for primary and secondary school children. You may use STOP funds to do outreach to victims of dating violence, stalking, sexual assault or domestic

violence in schools so long as the outreach focuses on the services your organization offers and is targeted to girls older than 13 years of age.

3. Do you plan on serving lunch or breakfast during your training?

If yes, then you must show on your agenda that this is a working lunch or breakfast according to [Chapter 15 of the 2011 OJP Financial Guide](#).² This chapter also includes helpful tips on keeping food and beverage costs allowable during any training or other program activity.

4. Do you plan on reproducing any copyrighted materials to include with your handouts?

If yes, then you must obtain permission from the author or organization that produced the copyrighted material. You must also state that any reproduced material is "Reprinted with permission." Be sure to keep copies of these permissions on file with your program. Appendix 1 of this manual Contains a Sample Letter you can use to request such permissions.

Additionally, all subgrantees who will use STOP funds to pay for training, must complete and submit the quarterly training session form online according to the same schedule as **quarterly VSSR's**. Expenses for training sessions that were not submitted via the online training form may be delayed in being reimbursed. A link to this form is located under Grants>>Grant Programs>>VAWA>>Reporting. Subgrantees must submit their projected training session dates according the schedule below:

Time Period During Which Training will Occur	Report Training By:
January 1-March 31	January 30
April 1-June 30	April 30
July 1-September 30	July 30
October 1-September 30	October 30

Training: External Training Events or Conferences

If you wish to send your staff to training events or conferences sponsored by other organizations you must submit an agenda detailing the contents of the training **30 days prior** to paying for the registration.

The same concerns that apply to your own sponsored training apply to conferences or events held by other organizations. Training should be germane to your project scope and should be primarily focused **on identifying and responding to** violent crimes against women.

² Office of Justice Programs (2011). 2011 Financial Guide. Available at:<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/financialguide/index.htm>.

What does CJCC mean by germane? For example, if you are funded for a special victims investigative or prosecutorial unit, you may request for your staff to attend training about investigative techniques for nonstranger sexual assault cases, or for how to conduct an evidence-based prosecution in domestic violence cases. **Training that focuses on prevention strategies for violence against women is not allowable.**

Printed Materials

As stated in your special conditions, you must request approval **30 days** prior to sending any publication to print or paying for any publication from an outside provider with STOP VAWA and/or SASP funds. The most commonly encountered issue with respect to paying for publications is that the proposed material is overly focused on prevention. If the publication is overly focused on prevention strategies it is unallowable. If you would like CJCC to pay for a publication that contains a substantial amount of prevention information, we may be able only to pay for the portion of the publication that does not include the prevention message. Remember, **publications should focus on alerting victims about the nature of violence against women and the services available to help them.**

If CJCC approves part of a publication for printing or distribution, you must include the following disclaimer language somewhere on the publication (even if the publication was purchased from another provider):

“Certain portions of this project are supported by Sub-Award No. _____ awarded by the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council administering office for the STOP Formula Grant Program. The opinions, findings, conclusions, and recommendations expressed on page(s) _____ of this publication does/do not necessarily reflect the views of the Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women or the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council. Page(s) ____ of this project is/are beyond the scope of the STOP (or SASP) Formula Grant Program, under which the above award was made, and thus was not funded with award no. _____.”

Also remember that any materials your agency prints that are fully paid for with STOP VAWA or SASP funds must contain the following acknowledgement language:

“This project is supported by Sub-Award No. _____ awarded by the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council administering office for the STOP Formula Grant Program. The opinions, findings, conclusions, and recommendations expressed in this publication/program/exhibition are those of the author(s) and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council or the Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women.”

(1) Printed Materials that Contain Religious Language

CJCC proudly funds various faith-based organizations to serve women and children victims of violence in Georgia. However, pursuant to the U.S. Department of Justice’s regulations, Equal Treatment for Faith-Based Organizations (Equal Treatment Regulations), 28 C.F.R. pt. 38, faith-based organizations cannot discriminate in service provision based on religion,

nor can they use federal funds for inherently religious activities.

Publications that contain religious language related to an agency's mission, vision, or goals should include the following disclaimer:

"While [Organization Name] is a [Religious Affiliation]-based organization, it does not use federal financial assistance for explicitly religious activities. [Organization Name] provides services to crime victims regardless of the victim's religious affiliation and does not require victims to participate in religious activities as a condition of receiving services."

Financial Requirements and Technical Assistance

Below is a brief overview of the fiscal requirements for STOP VAWA or SASP subgrantees. CJCC has prepared a more extensive financial management guide for all subgrantees. To download a copy of this go to [CJCC's Website](#) and navigate to: Grant Programs>>Forms & Publications>>Educational Tools and Training Resources. This financial guide contains more detailed information regarding audit requirements, allowable expenses, budget calculations, site visits and so on.

Match Requirement

STOP VAWA funded projects that benefit law enforcement, the courts, prosecution, or probations/parole must submit a minimum funding match of twenty-five percent (25%), which can be met through cash and/or in-kind contributions. Agencies **are not** required to provide matching funds if their grant is made from the victim services allocation of the STOP VAWA award or if they are funded with a **SASP** award. Non-profit victim service agencies are also not required to provide matching funds if they are funded to provide direct victim services³ with STOP VAWA funds, though they are still encouraged to provide matching funds. The applicant must identify the sources of the match in the budget section of the application.

STOP VAWA guidelines do not require the use of volunteers, however, the Council encourages subgrantees to use volunteers where appropriate. Please note, as of June 1, 2006, the Council values volunteer hours at \$12.00/hour.

To qualify matching funds must meet the following criteria:

- ✓ They must have the same potential use as the federal funds for which the grant is awarded – i.e. the activities for which funds are used must be **allowable** under the [STOP VAWA program guidelines](#).
- ✓ They must be expended during the grant period – e.g. a private foundation grant that has been awarded to you but starts after the federal grant period ends does not

³ **NOTE:** A nonprofit victim service provider funded under either the law enforcement, prosecution, courts or discretionary allocations may be required to provide matching funds. For example, a domestic violence shelter funded to provide judicial education may be required to provide match, even though the center is a nonprofit victim services agency. For a more detailed discussion, see pages 11-15 of the [STOP VAWA FAQ's](#).

- qualify.
- ✓ You must maintain a record of all the matching funds you use including: the source of the funds, when they were expended, and the amount.

If you are using volunteer labor as a match, you must provide a volunteer contract and a log of the number of hours each volunteer spent on the VAWA-funded project.

Budget Categories – Allowable and Unallowable Costs

Subgrantees are encouraged to refer to “[OMB Circular A-87, Cost Principles for State, Local, and Indian Tribal Governments](#)” or “[OMB Circular A-122, Cost Principles for Non-Profit Organizations](#)” (as applicable to your organization) for a detailed discussion of allowable and unallowable costs on federal grants. Subgrantees should note that they **cannot** request reimbursement for items not listed in their budgets during the course of the grant. If a subgrantee wants to add, change, or remove an item from any of the budget categories approved with their award package, they **must submit** a Subgrant Adjustment Request (“SAR”). Please see the section titled “Subgrant Adjustment Requests” for a detailed discussion of the procedure for submitting these. What follows below is a brief description of allowable and unallowable costs:

(1) Personnel

Personnel costs are eligible if they comply with the statements in the following checklist:

- ✓ Salaries for grant-funded positions must comply with the applicant agency’s employee salary classification schedule. Your agency should have submitted a “Salary Authorization Form” with your application to validate salary expenditures.
- ✓ Applicants must submit all grant-funded salaries for the Council’s approval. The Council will also determine the reasonableness of requested salaries and reserves the right to limit the grant-financed portion of any salary.
- ✓ Subgrantees may use grant funds for overtime pay, provided that the payment of overtime is allowable under the applicant agency’s policy. “Overtime pay” is remuneration for hours worked on a sub grant program in excess of full-time. “Full-time” is at least thirty-five (35) hours per week for sworn law enforcement officers and forty (40) hours per week for non-sworn personnel.
- ✓ The Council will not approve grant budget adjustment requests for reallocation of excess personnel funds created by a vacancy unless the subgrantee requests the reallocation **prior to sixty (60) days** before the grant expiration date. For VAWA and SASP subgrantees, final budget reallocations must be submitted by **October 1** for approval.
- ✓ Subgrantees may use grant funds to pay personnel leaving employment for accrued annual leave and/or accrued compensatory time if the Council approves, and if such use is in accordance with the subgrantee’s personnel policy. The proportion of

grant funds paid for accrued annual leave and accrued compensatory time may not exceed the proportion of funds used to pay the employee's salary.

- ✓ Funds may not be used to pay for on-call hours.

(2) Fringe Benefits

Fringe benefits should be based on actual known costs or an established formula. Fringe benefits are for the personnel listed in the "Personnel" budget category and **only for the percentage of time devoted to the project**. Fringe benefits on overtime hours are limited to FICA, Worker's Compensation, and State Unemployment Compensation. Costs included in this category are: FICA (employer's portion of the Social Security and Medicare taxes), employer's portion of retirement, employer's portion of insurance (health, life, dental, etc.), employer's portion of Worker's Compensation and State Unemployment Compensation. Each benefit for each position should be shown as a separate calculation/estimate.

(a) Example Personnel & Fringe Benefit Calculation:

1. Personnel

Suzy Victim Advocate	$\$30,000 * 75\%$	\$22,500
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2. Fringe Benefits

Suzy Victim Advocate	FICA: $\$30,000 * 0.0765 * 75\%$	\$1,721.25
	HealthIns: $\$200/\text{mth} * 75\% * 12$	\$1,800
	Pension: $\$30,000 * 0.02 * 75\%$	\$450
	Dental/Vision: $\$100/\text{mth} * 75\% * 12$	\$900

(3) Travel

Costs in this category are eligible if they comply with the statements in the following checklist:

- ✓ All travel expenditures must be in accordance with the most current [State of Georgia Statewide Travel Regulations](#) regardless of the applicant agency's travel policies. Three main provisions include:
 - Funding is authorized for travel within the program's service area only for mileage driven in personal vehicles for program/business purposes and may not exceed fifty (50) cents per mile (the current state maximum), the amount the program specifies as the mileage reimbursement rate, or the lesser of the two;
 - Funding is not authorized for lodging within 50 miles of the subgrantees' place of business; and,
 - Funding is not authorized for meals within thirty (30) miles of the subgrantees' place of business, and when traveling outside a thirty-mile radius, the employee must be away for more than 13 hours.

- ✓ Out-of-state travel must be justified and in accordance with U.S. General Services Administration [\(GSA\) per diem rates](#).
- ✓ Use of unbudgeted grant funds for out-of-state travel requires the Council's prior written approval and a sub-grant adjustment.
- ✓ Subgrantees using grant funds to develop and provide training through conferences or academies **may not** use grant funds to pay for participant transportation, lodging, per diem costs or other related costs. The Council must approve any exceptions.
- ✓ Subgrantees must document program personnel's completion of grant-funded training and certification courses. Subgrantees must justify to the Council in writing any non-completion of course requirements. Subgrantees may have to cover the cost of training if the Council fails to approve the justification letter submitted.

(4) Equipment

Equipment is any tangible, non-expendable personal property with a useful life of more than one (1) year and acquisition costs equal to or greater than \$5,000 per unit. Included in the definition of equipment are any other items a subgrantee chooses to capitalize in its own accounting records. Subgrantees may not apportion costs for equipment into smaller components to avoid the true acquisition costs.

A list of equipment purchases must be submitted to the Council and subgrantees may request additional equipment through grant adjustments. The Council will authorize equipment if the subgrantee demonstrates that it is necessary, essential to the successful operation of the grant projects and reasonable in cost.

Equipment purchased with grant funds is subject to the [Department of Administrative services' state surplus property procedures](#).

CJCC staff is available to assist sub-grantees with these procedures.

****NOTE:** Per your STOP VAWA special conditions, law enforcement equipment such as shields, armor, weapons, uniforms or badges, is not an allowable equipment expense. You may, however, purchase video or voice recorders, cameras etc. which may help gather evidence about domestic violence, dating violence, or sexual assault crimes. Please note however, if these purchases are intended for other investigations in addition to those of violent crimes against women, these purchases will need to be pro-rated to reflect the percentage of time they will be used to investigate VAW crimes.

(5) Supplies

Expenditures in this category are eligible if they comply with the statements in the following checklist:

- ✓ Supplies and direct operating expenses are costs directly related to the daily operation of the sub grant program that are not included in any other budget category and have an acquisition cost of less than \$5,000 per unit. Examples of allowable costs include office supplies, shared costs of office equipment, paper, printing, postage, classroom instructional supplies and educational resource materials.
- ✓ Funds **may not** be used to promote a program through paid advertisements or promotion gifts without the Council's prior written approval.
 - An **exception** – CJCC has allowed in the past for programs to use funds to pay for billboards to advertise a hotline or program services. Such a billboard must display the disclaimer language referenced above under "Printed Materials." CJCC reserves the right to allow or disallow requests on a case-by-case basis.
- ✓ The Council will not approve use of funds to purchase admission to any amusement park, recreational activity or sporting event.
- ✓ The State of Georgia's Non-Employee Group Meals Policy and the [OJP Financial Guide Three-Prong Test](#) governs subgrantees' use of grant funds for food, meals, beverages and related costs. This policy is included in the State Accounting Office's [Statewide Accounting Policy and Procedure Manual](#).
- ✓ Funds may not be used to pay for gift cards for victims to purchase food or other items. For example, an agency may not request reimbursement from their VOCA grant to pay for a WalMart gift card for a victim to purchase emergency household items following a crime. All such purchases must be accompanied by an itemized receipt for a reimbursement to be allowable.

(6) *Printing*

Expenditures in this category are eligible if they comply with the statements in the following checklist:

- ✓ Business cards are allowable only for STOP VAWA funded personnel.
- ✓ Program letterhead is an allowable expense.
- ✓ Costs for printing program-related materials are allowable. **Please see the "Printed Materials" section for the policy on obtaining approval for paying for such materials.**
- ✓ Brochures printed with grant funds must acknowledge the funding source. **Please see the "Printed Materials" section for the required language.**

(7) *Other*

Expenditures in this category are eligible if they comply with the statements in the following checklist:

- ✓ Individual consultant fees may not exceed \$450/day or \$56.25/hour, but may include actual time for preparation, evaluation and travel in addition to the time for the presentation or service. Consultant transportation, hotel, and incidental costs are not included in this maximum amount and may be specified separately under the contract.
 - According to the 2009 OJP financial guide, a **consultant** is “an individual who provides professional advice or services.” CJCC **does not fund** the use of consultants for general organizational administration or strategic planning efforts. All “professional advice or services” **must be directly related** to the provision of victim services, training, or other purpose area under the STOP VAWA grant.
 - Subgrantees requesting consultant expenses on their grant must be able to justify the rate they are requesting either using the provider’s billing history for a similar service, or using local market rates. For example, a subgrantee requesting a contract licensed therapist expense may use the therapists’ hourly billing rate with similar clients and submit invoices verifying this rate to justify the amount requested on the grant.
- ✓ Consultants who are state or local government employees, or are personnel at another CJCC-funded nonprofit or nongovernmental agency must show that the time they are spending on the grant is separate from the time CJCC is funding for work at their respective agency.
- ✓ See **Appendix 2** for a sample consultant contract.
- ✓ For-profit corporation or nonprofit consulting services must be determined through competitive bidding.
- ✓ Agencies may not request accounting, auditing, or bookkeeping services furnished through an independently-employed individual, unless the agency expends more than \$500,000 in federal funds during its fiscal year. If allowable, these services may not exceed \$56.25/hour or \$450/day. Reimbursement for these services will be pro-rated across all federal funding services.
- ✓ Costs for office rent and utilities are allowable if they are justified and if the agency provides a statement of comparable rates in the area. These costs will be pro-rated for grant-funded staff. Liability costs (such as malpractice insurance) are similarly allowable under these conditions. Subgrantees seeking to recover rent costs must furnish a copy of their lease agreement.

Expenditure Reimbursement Requests & Budget Adjustments

(1) Subgrant Expenditure Reports (SERs)

A subgrantee may submit a request for reimbursement on either a quarterly or monthly basis. Below are the due dates for either quarterly or monthly subgrant expenditure reports. CJCC staff does their best to approve and submit all SERs for payment within 14

days of receipt. This turn-around time strongly depends on whether the subgrantee has provided all the necessary documentation with their SER and is current with their programmatic reports. **Late programmatic reports or incomplete documentation will delay SER processing.**

Quarterly	30 days after Quarter end date	Ex.: January 1-March 31 Due: April 30
Monthly	15 days after Month end date	Ex.: January 1-January 31 Due: February 15

(2) Helpful Hints for Successful Approval of SER's

- ✓ For your SER to be approved, you **must have all your programmatic reports** (i.e. VSSR, VAWA Annual Report or CJSSR) submitted on time. For example, if you request reimbursement on a quarterly basis, and you are requesting payment for grant activities from April 1-June 30, your first Quarter VSSR (due April 30) must be received before you are reimbursed. **Delinquent or incorrect reports will result in delayed reimbursements.**
- ✓ Ensure your SER is on the correct form. You can access this form on [CJCC's website](#) by navigating to Grants>>Forms & Publications>>Expenditure Reporting Forms. Be sure to use the "VAWA Reporting SER Form" or the "SASP Reporting SER Form."
- ✓ Ensure your authorized grant official has signed these forms. For local government agencies such as District Attorney Offices, this should be your **Board Commission Chair**; for nonprofit organizations, this should be your **Board Chair**. **NOTE:** The authorized grant official can delegate signing authority once he/she signs and submits all award package documents. To delegate this authority, the authorized signor should submit a **signed** letter to CJCC stating the following:

"I [authorized signor], [Chairman of the Board of Commissions/Board Chair of XYZ Nonprofit] authorize [Name], [Title within organization] to sign any future forms and documents pertaining to subgrant #W(I)X-8-ABC."
- ✓ Be sure to include any supporting documentation with your SER. These include:
 - Travel Logs – applicable if you are requesting reimbursement for in- or out-of-state travel. Travel logs should include miles traveled if using your personal or company vehicle. Use the "Travel Expense Statement" under Grants>>Forms & Publications>>Expenditure Reporting Forms to submit this information.
 - Volunteer Timesheets – If you are using volunteer hours as match, you must submit these with your VSSR. You must also have a Volunteer Contract on file with CJCC for each volunteer whose time you are claiming as match. Sample contracts can be downloaded on [CJCC's Website](#) from the Grants>>Forms & Publications>>Applications and Awards Documents.
 - Payroll Register – if you are requesting personnel time reimbursements

- please submit the register with your SER to verify the salary.
 - Invoices – if you are requesting payment for contractor services or equipment costs, please include an invoice verifying the expenses and showing the work performed in the case of contractor services.
- ✓ Ensure all expenses listed on your SER were incurred during the current grant period. **Expenses incurred either before or after the grant period started will be disallowed** per the [OJP Financial Guidelines \(Chapter 7: Period of Availability of Funds, Obligation of Funds\)](#).
 - Subgrantees have between 15-30 days *after the end of a grant period* (depending on whether they report quarterly or monthly) to submit an SER with final expenses. *All expenses incurred during the last quarter or month of the grant period should be listed on this SER, regardless of whether the agency has completely paid for them.* For example, if your agency purchases a computer as specified in your budget in the last month of the grant award but intends to pay for the computer on arrival, you must include this incurred expense on your last SER to be reimbursed.

(3) Subgrant Adjustment Requests (SAR's)

Subgrantees must use subgrant adjustment requests to alert their Auditor/Examiner or Grant Specialist about any substantive changes related to their grants. Included in your agency's award packet was a subgrant adjustment request form that you must complete and return along with a detailed budget.

SAR's should be submitted to alert CJCC about any of the following changes to your grant:

- ✓ A change in the Authorized Signature for the grant;
- ✓ A change in the contact information for the Agency Point of Contact
 - NOTE: This is **very important**. We have received emails from frustrated subgrantees or former employees alerting us that we are still sending them grant information when they are no longer employed with an agency. To avoid this, please be sure to submit an SAR whenever your Agency Point of Contact changes. We **will not** change point of contact information based on an email alert or phone call.
- ✓ Changes in budget allocations;
 - All changes to budget allocations must be pertinent to the original project scope. If the budget reallocation request results in a substantial change in your program's scope, it may be disallowed. For example, if you have experienced turnover in personnel and would like to move money from personnel to equipment to purchase a new computer or software system, CJCC may question your request for additional computers, given that you have fewer personnel.
 - All budget allocation changes must be submitted **sixty (60) days prior** to the grant period end (i.e. by October 30 for most VAWA grants). Any SAR's requesting changes to budget allocations received after the 60th day **will not**

be approved.

- ✓ **NOTE:** All budget reallocation SARs must be submitted prior to the last sixty (60) days of the grant period and all expenses included in an SAR must be ***anticipated*** expenses to be incurred within those last 60 days. CJCC **will not** reimburse subgrantees for unapproved expenses incurred prior to the submission this final budget reallocation SAR.
- ✓ Changes in program scope or activities.

NOTE: All SAR's (except for final budget reallocations) must be submitted for any change **30 days** prior to that change taking effect. If you know that a staff member is leaving the organization or that the grant point of contact will change, please alert CJCC 30 days prior to this change so that staff can ensure the new point of contact receives proper technical assistance to manage your STOP VAWA and/or SASP grant.

(4) Site Visits and Other Financial Requirements

As part of its grant monitoring functions, CJCC's is required to perform site visits of its subgrantees on at least a biennial basis. Site visits give CJCC the opportunity to see up close all our subgrantees' good work. Generally, CJCC determines for whom to conduct site visits based on either on a risk assessment of subgrantee financial and programmatic viability, subgrantee requests for technical assistance, or a request from CJCC's governing Council.

CJCC site visit staff will alert the subgrantee about an upcoming site visit at least 2-weeks prior to the visit. The subgrantee will receive a Pre-Site Visit Questionnaire that they must complete and return to CJCC at least **1-week** prior to the visit.

Below is a list of record-keeping requirements that will make your site visit a success and keep your agency in compliance with the guidelines in the federal circulars cited above:

- ✓ Maintain all records related to a subgrant for 3 years after the grant is awarded closed. The clock for record-keeping for a particular grant starts from the date of notification that the grant has been closed fiscally and programmatically;
- ✓ Keep all receipts related to any supplies or equipment purchases made with grant funds;
- ✓ Maintain an inventory list of all equipment and the grant funds used to pay for each;
- ✓ Ensure you have timesheets for all grant-funded personnel during the grant period;
 - Timesheets should capture the number of hours worked, the grant to which the hours are assigned, and the activities performed on the grant.
- ✓ Ensure you have policies and procedures that separate accounting duties within your organization;
- ✓ Ensure you have an Equal Employment Opportunity Plan, that you have filed this with the Office of Civil Rights (if applicable) or that you have filed a federal [Certification Form](#). Refer to Section "A" of this form to determine if your agency is exempt or go to the Office of Justice Program's Office of Civil Rights [website](#).
- ✓ Keep copies of invoices for contractors listed on the grant and a copy of the contract between your agency and the contractor.
- ✓ Ensure your accounting system is able separate the expenses and revenue for each

of your subgrants from other general expenses and revenue or those associated with other grants;

- ✓ Ensure you have non-discrimination policies for service provision and that these policies are made available to clients and employees (described below.)

CJCC staff will review all of these documents, your accounting system, your personnel policies and procedures and a random selection of receipts and other documentation during the site visit. Staff will also address any programmatic reporting or other issues with which your agency may need technical assistance.

Non-Discrimination in Service Provision

As recipients of federal funds from the Department of Justice, all subgrantees are subject to the following federal non-discrimination laws:

- ✓ Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 - 42 USC § 2000d;
- ✓ Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 - 29 USC §794;
- ✓ The Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 - 42 U.S.C. § 3789d(c)(1);
- ✓ Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act - 42 U.S.C. § 12132;
- ✓ Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 - 20 USC § 1681 (applicable to all subgrantees that conduct training);
- ✓ The Age Discrimination Act of 1975 - 42 USC § 6101; and,
- ✓ Equal Treatment for Faith-Based Organizations - 28 C.F.R. Part 38 (prohibits discrimination based on religious affiliation during service delivery).

Information about these laws can be found on the Department of Justice, Office of Civil Rights [website](#). Generally, to be compliant with these laws, subgrantees may not discriminate on the basis of sex, national origin, immigration status, religion, race, color, disability status, or age when providing services. Clients who feel they have been discriminated against may file a complaint with CJCC or the Office of Civil Rights. If a finding of discrimination is made against your agency, you must file these findings with the Office of Civil Rights.

To ensure your agency is providing the best possible services to all persons in your community, you should have a nondiscrimination policy for service provision. Disseminate the policy widely amongst your employees and clients seeking your services. An easy way to ensure all victims you serve are made aware of this policy is to include the language below in any publications or brochure about your agency that you distribute:

“The _____ Program does not discriminate against individuals or groups on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, immigration status, or disability. If you believe you have been the target of discrimination, you have the right to file a civil rights complaint. Information on how to file a civil rights complaint can be found on the Office of Justice Programs website: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/about/ocr/complaint.htm>.”

Finally, all subgrantees must be prepared to make reasonable accommodations for persons seeking services who are either limited English proficient (LEP) or disabled to be compliant

with the above nondiscrimination laws. For information and resources for providing services to LEP or disabled individuals, visit LEP.gov or Georgia's [Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator's Office](#). You may also contact CJCC for technical assistance with questions or concerns.

Technical Assistance Resources

CJCC Technical Assistance

CJCC staff is committed to providing all subgrantees the best subject matter and financial technical assistance possible. For technical assistance related to programmatic reports or concerns or fiscal reports please contact:

Financial Reports and Requirements:

Tonya Jenkins, Grants Specialist
Tonya.Jenkins@cjcc.ga.gov
404.657.1998

Programmatic Reports and Applications:

Stefanie Lopez-Howard, Planning & Policy Development Specialist
Stefanie.Lopez-Howard@cjcc.ga.gov
404.657.1960

Wesley Acosta, Operations Analyst
Wesley.Acosta@cjcc.ga.gov
404.657.2073

National Technical Assistance Resources

Below are some websites subgrantees may find useful to the programmatic or fiscal management of their STOP VAWA grant.*

(1) Fiscal Grant Management:

Office of Justice Programs, [2011 Financial Guide](#);
Government Auditing Standards, [2003 Revision](#)
Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board, [Generally Accepted Accounting Principles](#)

(2) Some National and State Resources and OVW-Funded Technical Assistance Websites

Prosecution:

[AEquitas](#)
[National District Attorney's Association](#)

* **NOTE:** The opinions or facts expressed in these websites do not represent those of CJCC or its staff.

Law Enforcement:

End Violence Against Women International ([EVAWI](#))
International Association of Chiefs of Police ([IACP](#))
Maryland Network Against Domestic Violence ([MNADV](#))

Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners:

Sexual Assault Forensic Examiners Technical Assistance Project ([SAFEta](#))

Judges:

National Center for Juvenile and Family Court Judges ([NCJFCJ](#))
Center for Court Innovation ([CCI](#))
National Judicial Education Program ([NJP](#))

Cultural Competency:

Immigrant Women Program ([IWP](#))
[ASISTA](#)
Women of Color Network ([WCN](#))
[FaithTrust Institute](#)
Sisters of Color Ending Sexual Assault ([SCESA](#))

Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault/Stalking/Dating Violence:

Battered Women's Justice Project ([BWJP](#))
Georgia Coalition Against Domestic Violence ([GCADV](#))
Georgia Network to End Sexual Assault ([GNESA](#))
National Network to End Domestic Violence ([NNEDV](#))
National Coalition Against Domestic Violence ([NCADV](#))
National Network to End Violence Against Immigrant Women ([NNEVAIW](#))
National Sexual Violence Resource Center ([NSVRC](#))
Rape, Abuse, and Incest National Network ([RAINN](#))
National Center for Victims of Crime, Stalking Resource Center ([NCVC, SRC](#))

Probation/Parole:

Battered Women's Justice Project ([BWJP](#))
American Probation and Parole Association ([APPA](#))

Batterer Intervention Programs

[Emerge](#)
[Georgia Commission on Family Violence](#)
[The Duluth Model](#)

Appendix 1: Sample Letter for Reprint Permissions

[Organization Name]

[Date]

[Addressee Information]

RE: Request to Reprint [Full citation of article, legislation, case etc.]

To Whom It May Concern:

[Organization Name] respectfully request the [Publication Name] permission to reprint the above referenced [article/legislation/summary etc.] in an educational course for [describe the audience to whom the course is targeted].

The title of the course in which the publication will be reproduced is [Course Title.] The course is exclusively for educational purposes and is aimed at educating [audience] about [brief description of course goals.]

This course is free of charge. [Organization Name] will include the article, with your publication's permission, in the [course binder, course website, course handouts etc.].

If this request meets with your approval, please forward to us the language your publication wants us to include on the reprinted copies to designate these were reprinted with permission.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Appendix 2: Sample Consultant Contract

CONSULTING AGREEMENT

This Consulting Agreement, effective [INSERT DATE] is between [PARTY X] and [PARTY Y].

1. PURPOSE OF AGREEMENT. This agreement shall cover consulting services to be performed by PARTY X for PARTY Y. PARTY X agrees to perform the following duties in fulfillment of this agreement:
 - a. INSERT PROJECT SCOPE.
2. CONSULTING FEES AND EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENTS. During the term of this Agreement, PARTY Y shall pay PARTY X a consulting fee of \$X per hour. In addition to the consulting fee, PARTY Y shall reimburse PARTY X for all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in performing the services for PARTY Y. PARTY X shall submit invoices for services performed and expense reports as expenses and fees are incurred, but at least twice a month. All expense reimbursements will be in compliance with the [INSERT] guidelines.
3. TERM. This agreement will take effect on and continue through [INSERT DATE]. This Agreement may be extended beyond the initial term only if agreed, in writing, by PARTY X and PARTY Y.
4. GENERAL. PARTY X shall perform the consulting services as an independent contractor and not as an employee, partner, joint venturer or principal of PARTY Y. This Agreement may be modified or amended only as agreed in writing by both parties. This Agreement contains the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes all prior or contemporaneous negotiations or agreements between the parties relating to the consulting services. This Agreement is governed by [INSERT STATE] State law.

By: _____
PARTY X

PARTY Y

Date: _____

Date: _____

APPENDIX 3: Pulling ALICE Reports for Quarterly VSSR

Introduction:

CJCC Staff would like to thank Carolyn Booth, Grant Manager, at the Partnership Against Domestic Violence (PADV) for putting this guide together. While your agency's ALICE program may be configured a bit differently and you may not provide every single service that PADV does, CJCC staff hopes the information in this appendix helps streamline your report collection and VSSR submission. **Also Note: This pulls data in a format that works for the previous Excel version of the VSSR. You may need to modify this for the changes made via the web-based form.**

If you have any questions about the contents of this Appendix, please contact Carolyn Booth at Carolyn@padv.org.

Instructions:

Alice Report 1 – Determining Legal Advocacy NEW Clients (Adult Shelter, Adult Outreach, Child Outreach) for **VSSR Section IIA – Victims by Category of Victimization (New Victims) AND VSSR Section IIB – Victim Demographics New Victims Only** tabs of the Victims Service Statistical Reporting Form VER.3.10.xls

- **Report Type:** *Combined Intakes & Calls*
- **Select Report from Left Box:** *Demographic Activity Statistics and Query*
- **Start Month/Year, End Month/Year:** *Put in the first month of the quarter and year, last month of the quarter and year*
- **Service Category:** *Legal Advocacy*
- **Place a check:** *Select all service names in a service category*
- **Click CREATE**
- **Custom Age Range:** *CJCC (choose this option from the box that displays)*
- **Click DONE**
- **Which field will be used as the unique identifier?** *Select ID#*
- **Choose 'New clients – those with NO other activities between'** *and put a start date (a year earlier if you want) and the end date should be the day before the quarter you are reporting on.*
- **Click DONE**

PADV runs Alice Report 1 for Agency Gwinnett and Fulton then combines the results for entry into the VSSR Section IIA – Victims by Category of Victimization (New Victims) and VSSR Section IIB – Victim Demographics – New Victims spreadsheets.

PADV places each county or counties served in Column A of VSSR Section IIA.

PADV places number of clients served for each county under the Domestic Violence column of the VSSR Section IIA report.

*For VSSR Section IIB, utilizing the Alice report, place all the AGE, RACE/ETHNICITY, and DISABILITY information under the section marked **Domestic Violence** of this sheet.*

Alice Report 2 – Determining Legal Advocacy Existing Clients (Adult Shelter, Adult Outreach, Child Outreach) for **VSSR Section IIC – Victims by Category of Victimization (Existing Victims)** tab of the Victims Service Statistical Reporting Form VER.3.10.xls

- **Report Type:** *Combined Intakes & Calls*
- **Select Report from Left Box:** *Demographic Activity Statistics and Query*
- **Start Month/Year, End Month/Year:** *Put in the first month of the quarter and year, last month of the quarter and year*
- **Service Category:** *Legal Advocacy*
- **Place a check:** *Select all service names in a service category*
- **Click CREATE**
- **Custom Age Range:** *CJCC (choose this option from the box that displays)*
- **Click DONE**
- **Which field will be used as the unique identifier?** *Select ID#*
- **Choose 'Existing clients – those with other activities between'** *and put the start date as the first day of the quarter reporting on and the end date should be the last day of the quarter you are reporting on.*
- **Click DONE**

PADV runs Alice Report 2 for Agency Gwinnett and Fulton then combines the results for entry into the VSSR Section IIC – Victims by Category of Victimization (Existing Victims).

PADV places each county or counties served in Column A of VSSR Section IIC.

PADV places number of clients served for each county under the Domestic Violence column of the VSSR Section IIC report.

Alice Report 3 – Determining Services Received by Legal Advocacy Clients for New Clients for **VSSR Section III – Victims by Type of Service Received (New Victims)**

- **Report Type:** *Activity*
- **Select Report from Left Box:** *Units of Services*
- **Start Month/Year, End Month/Year:** *Put in the first month of the quarter and year, last month of the quarter and year*
- **Service Category:** *Legal Advocacy*
- **Client type:** *OUTREACH clients (then this entire process must be done for ADULT SHELTER clients)*
- **Place a check:** *Select all service names in a service category*
- **Click CREATE**
- **Click the box to create a Query Report**
- **Click DONE**
- **In the first row of the Query, select County as the data item, 'is' in the operator columns, and put in the first county showing on the new clients report (example: Dekalb)**
- **Click SELECT**
- **On the next box, CHECK 'Show unduplicated count by ID#'**

- **Choose 'New clients – those with NO other activities between'** and put a start date (a year earlier if you want) and the end date should be the day before the first day of the quarter you are reporting on.
- Click **DONE**

Send this report to the printer. This report will need to be run for each county that contains new clients utilizing Legal Advocacy during the reporting period (and then run again after OUTREACH clients to print all ADULT SHELTER clients). In PADV's case, sometimes this is run up to 20 times or more as the clients served are from all over the state of Georgia. CJCC has an information sheet that shows where different legal activities match to their columns. At PADV, here is the way our terms match to CJCC report requirements:

<u>CJCC Column Heading</u>	<u>PADV field to match</u>
In-Person Crisis Counseling	This can be copied from Section IIA figures showing for domestic violence new clients served – as all PADV clients are considered in-person, in-crisis counseling
Telephone Hotline Crisis Counseling	PADV leaves this column blank and doesn't report
Follow-Up	This is the exact same data that is now showing under the In-Person Crisis Counseling – simply cut and paste
Therapy	PADV leaves this column blank
Group Treatment	PADV leaves this column blank
Safe Shelter	PADV leaves this column blank
In-Person Information/Referral	PADV leaves this column blank
Telephone Contact/Information & Referral	PADV leaves this column blank
Outreach/LE Contacts	PADV leaves this column blank
Emergency Financial Assistance	PADV leaves this column blank
Emergency Legal Advocacy	Looking at each individual county report printed to show client legal advocacy activities, place the clients showing 'TPO'
Other Emergency Assistance	Looking at each individual county report printed to show client legal activities, place the number of clients showing 'safety planning'
Criminal Justice Support/Advocacy	Looking at each individual county report printed to show the client legal activities, place the number of clients showing 'Legal Advocacy'
Personal Advocacy	PADV leaves this column blank
Assistance in Filing Victims' Compensation	Looking at each individual county report printed to show the client legal activities, place the number of clients showing 'Victims Comp'
Assistance w/Applying	PADV leaves this column blank

<u>CJCC Column Heading</u>	<u>PADV field to match</u>
TANF, Medicaid, et.	
Non-Emergency Legal Advocacy	PADV leaves this column blank
Other	PADV leaves this column blank

To complete VSSR Section IV – Total Units of Service Delivered to All Clients

Alice Report 3 –VSSR Section IV – Total Units of Service Delivered to All Clients

- **Report Type:** Activity
- **Select Report from Left Box:** Units of Services
- **Start Month/Year, End Month/Year:** Put in the first month of the quarter and year, last month of the quarter and year
- **Service Category:** Legal Advocacy
- **Client type:** OUTREACH clients (then this entire process must be done for ADULT SHELTER clients)
- **Place a check:** Select all service names in a service category
- Click **CREATE**
- Click the box to create a **Query Report**
- Click **DONE**
- In the first row of the Query, select **County** as the data item, 'is' in the operator columns, and put in the first county showing on the new clients report (example: Dekalb)
- Click **SELECT**
- On the next box, CHECK **'Show unduplicated count by ID#'**
- **Choose 'All Clients'**
- Click **DONE**

Send this report to the printer. This report will need to be run for each county that contains new clients utilizing Legal Advocacy during the reporting period (and then run again after OUTREACH clients to print all ADULT SHELTER clients). In PADV's case, sometimes this is run up to 20 times or more as the clients served are from all over the state of Georgia. CJCC has an information sheet that shows where different legal activities match to their columns. At PADV, here is the way our terms match to CJCC report requirements:

<u>CJCC Column Heading</u>	<u>PADV field to match</u>
In-Person Crisis Counseling	This can be copied from Section IIA figures showing for domestic violence new clients served – as all PADV clients are considered in-person, in-crisis counseling
Telephone Hotline Crisis Counseling	PADV leaves this column blank and doesn't report
Follow-Up	This is the exact same data that is now showing under the In-Person Crisis Counseling – simply cut and paste
Therapy	PADV leaves this column blank
Group Treatment	PADV leaves this column blank
Safe Shelter	PADV leaves this column blank

<u>CJCC Column Heading</u>	<u>PADV field to match</u>
In-Person Information/Referral	PADV leaves this column blank
Telephone Contact/Information & Referral	PADV leaves this column blank
Outreach/LE Contacts	PADV leaves this column blank
Emergency Financial Assistance	PADV leaves this column blank
Emergency Legal Advocacy	Looking at each individual county report printed to show client legal advocacy activities, place the clients showing 'TPO'
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Personal Advocacy	PADV leaves this column blank
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Assistance w/Applying TANF, Medicaid, et.	PADV leaves this column blank
Non-Emergency Legal Advocacy	PADV leaves this column blank
Other	PADV leaves this column blank