



**O-OVW-2023-171487**  
**OVW Fiscal Year 2023 Legal Assistance for Victims Grant Program Expanding**  
**Legal Services Initiative - Solicitation**  
 Department of Justice  
 Office on Violence Against Women

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**GENERAL INFORMATION**


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<b>Document Type:</b>	Grants Notice
<b>Funding Opportunity Number:</b>	O-OVW-2023-171487
<b>Funding Opportunity Title:</b>	OVW Fiscal Year 2023 Legal Assistance for Victims Grant Program Expanding Legal Services Initiative - Solicitation
<b>Opportunity Category:</b>	Discretionary
<b>Opportunity Category Explanation:</b>	
<b>Funding Instrument Type:</b>	Grant
<b>Category of Funding Activity:</b>	Law, Justice and Legal Services
<b>Category Explanation:</b>	
<b>Expected Number of Awards:</b>	8
<b>CFDA Number(s):</b>	16.524 -- Legal Assistance for Victims
<b>Cost Sharing or Matching Requirement:</b>	No

<b>Version:</b>	Synopsis 1
<b>Posted Date:</b>	Dec 21, 2022
<b>Last Updated Date:</b>	Dec 21, 2022
<b>Original Closing Date for Applications:</b>	Mar 06, 2023
<b>Current Closing Date for Applications:</b>	Mar 06, 2023
<b>Archive Date:</b>	
<b>Estimated Total Program Funding:</b>	\$3,200,000
<b>Award Ceiling:</b>	\$400,000
<b>Award Floor:</b>	\$400,000

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**ELIGIBILITY**


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<b>Eligible Applicants:</b>	Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments) Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized) Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education Others (see text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility" for clarification) Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
<b>Additional Information on Eligibility:</b>	Eligible applicants are limited to: Private nonprofit entities, territorial organizations, Indian tribal governments, and tribal organizations in the United States or U.S. territories. For more information, see the Eligibility Information section of this solicitation.

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**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**


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**Agency Name:**

Office on Violence Against Women

**Description:**

This program is authorized by 34 U.S.C. § 20121. The Legal Assistance for Victims (LAV) Grant Program (CFDA 16.524) is intended to increase the availability of civil and criminal legal assistance needed to effectively aid adult and youth (ages 11 to 24) victims of domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, or sexual assault, by providing funds for comprehensive direct legal services to victims in legal matters relating to or arising out of that abuse or violence. "Legal assistance" is assistance in: a) divorce, parental rights, child support, tribal, territorial, immigration, employment, administrative agency, housing, campus, education, healthcare, privacy, contract, consumer, civil rights, protection or other injunctive proceedings, related enforcement proceedings, and other similar matters; b) criminal justice investigations, prosecutions, and post-conviction matters (including sentencing, parole, and probation) that impact the victim's safety, privacy, or other interests as a victim; c) alternative dispute resolution, restorative practices, or other processes intended to promote victim safety, privacy, and autonomy, and offender accountability, regardless of court involvement; or d) post-conviction relief proceedings in state, local, Tribal, or territorial court, with respect to a conviction of a victim relating to or arising from domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or sex trafficking victimization of the victim. 34 U.S.C. § 12291(a)(24)(C).

The LAV Grant Program's Expanding Legal Services Initiative (ELSI) is intended to enable eligible organizations that do not currently offer legal services to establish a program that provides legal representation to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. Organizations funded under this solicitation may be eligible for up to five years of funding, two years under this solicitation and an additional three years of noncompetitive funding, provided certain conditions are met.

For additional information about the LAV Grant Program and related performance measures, including how awards contribute to the achievement of program goals and objectives, see:

OVW grant program information: [OVW Grants and Programs Webpage](#).

Program performance measures under the Measuring Effectiveness Initiative: [VAWA Measuring Effectiveness Initiative webpage](#).

Program-specific sections in OVW's most recent report to Congress on the effectiveness of VAWA grant programs.

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**Link to Additional Information:** [Full Announcement](#)

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