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**FY2019 VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT
CALL FOR PROPOSALS
Publication Date: Friday, May 29, 2020
Grant Award ID # 2019-V2-GX-0035
Response to Written Questions Received**

Question submitted on June 24, 2020:

On p. 19 of the proposal it states under Written Proposals – “12-point Times New Roman font, double or single spaced, page numbered...” On page 20 under Project Narrative it states “The project Narrative must be written in a 12-point font double spaced, and kept to a maximum of 24 pages.” Please advise if the submission should be double or single spaced or only double spaced.

Answer: Reference page 19 of FY19 Call for Proposals

The written instructions for the **Project Narrative** is to be double spaced.

Question submitted on June 19, 2020:

On page 21 of the RFP, For the Implementation Plan it is asking for resources needed. Should we list all of the resources we will need for the implementation or only those that will be funded by this grant? Also it asks for projected costs. Is this number the same number as our total budget projection expenses?

Answer: Reference page 21 of FY19 Call for Proposals

The instructions were to...”Include a complete Implementation Plan with objectives, specific action steps, responsible person(s), timelines, resources needed, and projected costs.” OAG will review the application to make sure that the information presented is reasonable, understandable, measurable, achievable, and consistent with the solicitation.

Question submitted on June 19, 2020:

Also it asks for projected costs. Is this number the same number as our total budget projection expenses?

Answer: Reference page 21 of FY19 Call for Proposals

The “projected cost” may refer to the predicted total cost needed to complete the project, based on actual costs at any given point and may be routinely updated as applicable.

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Question submitted on June 9, 2020:

On page 4 of the RFP, one of the unallowable uses of VOCA funds is crime prevention activities. On p. 20 c Goal(s) it says provide a broad statement that conveys the intent to change, reduce, or eliminate the described problem. It appears to me that reducing or eliminating the described problem would be prevention which is prohibited. Even changing the problem might also be prevention depending on what the change is. Can you please clarify?

Answer: Reference page 4 of FY19 Call for Proposals

The purpose of the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) is to provide **assistance** to all victims of crime, thus, Crime Prevention activities is not an allowable use of VOCA Funds. VOCA funds shall be used to provide **direct victim assistance services** which **responds** to the immediate and long term needs of crime victims, not limited to, medical and emotional support, financial assistance, safety planning, transportation, physical needs of crime victims, provide notification of the criminal justice proceedings and preparation, and emergency safety needs. Further clarification can be found on page 3 of the Call for Proposals under the heading “**Overview and Purpose Area(s)**” in the VOCA Federal Guidelines which states that the direct victim assistance services are defined as those efforts that 1) respond to the emotional and physical needs of crime victims; 2) assist primary and secondary victims of crime to stabilize their lives after a victimization; 3) assist victims to understand and participate in the criminal justice system; and 4) provide victims of crime with a measure of safety and security.

Answer: Reference page 20 c Goal(s) of FY19 Call for Proposals

Page 20 c Goal(s) of Call for Proposals requires description of a problem and how grant activities would change, reduce or eliminate the problem. If the described problem is not a “crime” it follows that grant activities would not include “crime prevention”.



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