



Office of Victim Services

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Governor

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Director

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County of Albany (District Attorney)
6 Lodge Street, 4th Floor
Albany NY 12207

RE: VOCA Grant Program Application Number 116063

Funding Source: Victims of Crime Act Victim and Witness Assistance Grant Program

Dear Applicant:

It is my pleasure to inform you that the New York State Office of Victim Services (OVS) has awarded your Victim Assistance Program funding for the period October 1, 2022, through September 30, 2025, under the Victim and Witness Assistance Grant Program. Your contract number is C11203GG and your revised tentative award amounts are:

2022-2023: \$489,709.66

2023-2024: \$489,709.66

2024-2025: \$489,709.66

As always, award amounts are considered tentative until successful contract negotiations are completed. Award amounts are dependent on the availability of funds.

Also please note:

OVS will do everything possible to secure the funding to meet the three-year commitments outlined in this letter. However, we think it prudent to mention that the level of funding New York will receive from the Federal Victim of Crime Act (VOCA) Victim Assistance Award in the future is unclear. It was hoped that the VOCA fix would result in large revenue deposits into the Crime Victims Fund. To date we have not seen the level of revenue that would suggest that awards will be able to be maintained at the 2022 level or at the extraordinarily high levels OVS

received from 2015-2019. As the federal funding picture becomes more certain, we will continue to keep OVS grant recipients informed about anticipated future funding levels. However, grant recipients should be mindful that if federal funding levels are reduced, OVS may have to reduce funding during this grant period. Grant recipients will be given ample notice of future funding levels, but we wanted to ensure that our grantees know that the potential exists for funding levels to be impacted during this grant period of 2022-2025.

Included with this letter is a contract checklist and supporting documents to assist you with finalizing your grant. Additional OVS documents required to execute your agency's grant contract can be found on [2022 VOCA RFA](#). Completed documents should be uploaded into the Grants Gateway in the Grantee Document folder. Please contact your OVS Contract Manager **Dolly Bernard** at **Dolly.Bernard@ovs.ny.gov** or **518-457-6197** should you need assistance.

Please note that while you will be completing the contract negotiation process in the NYS Grants Gateway, no information from your original application was transferred from the CFA (Consolidated Funding Application) into the NYS Grants Gateway. This means that you will need to re-enter your budget and adjust & upload all applicable supporting documentation to reflect your actual award amount. Please submit all the required documents and make all budget adjustments by the close of business on 8/15/2022. Your agency's submission will be considered complete when it contains all the items on the attached checklist.

On behalf of the Office of Victim Services we look forward to continuing our shared efforts to provide quality services to victims of crime in New York State.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Elizabeth Cronin', written in a cursive style.

Elizabeth Cronin, Esq.
Director