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**Lead Entity Underserved Areas and Victim Groups
NOFO # 1744-2438**

RESPONSE TO APPLICANT QUESTIONS

Live Technical Assistance Session Recording

The LIVE technical assistance session was recorded. You can view the recording [LINK](#) and download the slides. The session provided NEW information regarding this funding opportunity. An overview of the NEW administrative cost restriction and budget completion will be reviewed.

Day posted: February 17, 2023

Question

Can you please confirm that Lead Entity applicants are not required to submit the subgrantee NOFO package and application with our VAWA Lead Entity Underserved Areas and Victim Groups application to ICJIA?

We do see that Program Narrative Question 6 requires a full description of the process the grantee will use. Furthermore, we understand that the successful Lead Entities are required to submit the NOFO package to ICJIA for approval before releasing the solicitation. Ideally, we would like a few additional days to finalize our NOFO package and we would plan to submit to no later than March 1, unless it is a required component of the application.

Response

Thank you for your question.

You are correct. Lead Entity applicants are NOT required to submit the subgrantee funding opportunity (solicitation) at the time the VAWA Lead Entity Underserved Areas and Victim Group application is due, February 20, 2023.

Day posted: February 10, 2023

Question

In the Program Narrative Form – Page 1 Question 3: The question says “*Besides the services funded through this NOFO, what (if any) other victim services does your agency provide? Include examples of how these services are coordinated with the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) funded activities.*”

Is this the underlined section a typo and it should read VAWA funded activities? Please confirm.

Response

No, the question asks the applicant to provide examples of coordination between this program (VAWA) and other Federal funding sources; like Victims of Crime Act (VOCA).

Question

In the Program Narrative Form – Page 1 Question 4: The question says “Describe your agency’s fiscal experience and capacity to manage grants. Describe your agency’s history and expertise in the provision of services to victims of domestic violence or sexual assault in underserved communities or victim groups, include information on the network of direct services providers you will fund through this program.” The underlined part of this question is the same as question 2. Is this an error and this underlined section should be removed? If not, please provide some guidance on what difference you would like to see in the responses to these similar questions.

Response

No, this is not an error. Under **Project Implementation**, Q4 is in reference to Fiscal and Capacity to manage grants. In THIS response, the applicant should include history and expertise in FISCAL management of grants.

Under **Agency Capacity and Expertise** Q2 is based on the overall history of the applicant’s agency in provision of services to victims of domestic violence or sexual assault to underserved victim groups.

Day posted: February 3, 2023

There were no questions for the week of: **January 30, 2023**, through **February 2, 2023**

Day posted: January 27, 2023

Question

My name is [REDACTED]. I am trying to download the VAWA Lead packet application, but I am having the hardest time. Is it possible for you to send it to this email? My phone number is [REDACTED]. Thanks!

Response

Thank you for the email. You can find the packet on the ICJIA website here:
<https://icjia.illinois.gov/grants/funding/lead-entity-underserved-areas-and-victim-groups/>

OR you can click on this link and download the NOFO packet directly
https://agency.icjia-api.cloud/uploads/1744_2438_VAWA_Lead_Entity_NOFO_Packet_c635db3019.zip

The NOFO packet is a zipped file, containing, PDF, Word, and Excel files.

As with any grant opportunity, we encourage interested parties to read through the NOFO Instructions and meet eligibility requirements before completing any of the forms and questions.

Last day for question submission is February 16, 2023