

Victims of Crime Act (VOCA)
Orientation 2024 - 2025



Wisconsin Department of Justice
Office of Crime Victim Services (OCVS)

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Presenters: OCVS Grants & Training Team

## Goals & Objectives



- Provide an overview of how to manage your VOCA award
- Review OCVS' expectations
- Explain VOCA-specific deliverables
- Connect you with resources
- Answer questions
- Share an update on DOJ's victim services funding proposal

#### Victim Services Coalition Introductions















## Agenda



- Welcome & Introductions
- OCVS Overview
- OCVS Expectations for Award Management
- Break
- OCVS Expectations for Award Management Continued
- Q&A
- Attorney General's Remarks
- Conclusion & Survey

#### Office of Crime Victim Services (OCVS) Overview



### Office of Crime Victim Services (OCVS)

Direct Victim
Services

Crime Victim Compensation

Policy Initiatives

Grants & Training

#### **OCVS Grants & Training Team**

Introductory Training

Nuts & Bolts for Victim Witness Professionals

Introductory Training for Victim Services Providers (ITVSP)

Expert Training

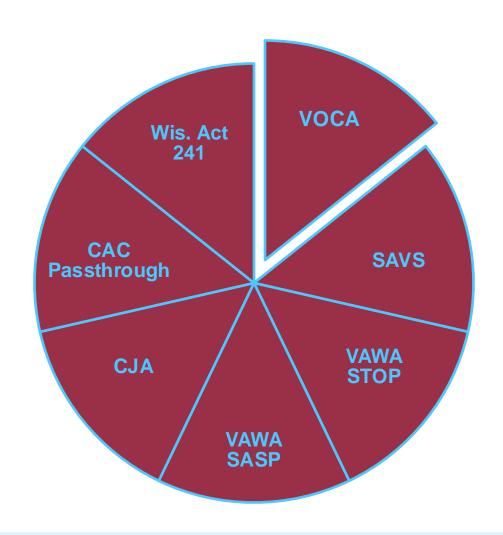
#### **SANE Nurse Training**

- 64-hour adult & pediatrics
- Simulation Lab

### Forensic Interviewer Training

- WIFIG
- Expert Testimony

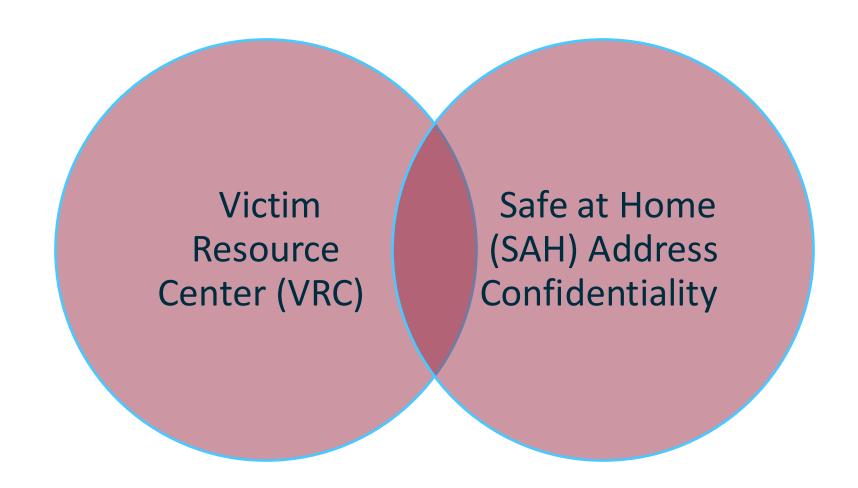
## **OCVS Grants & Training Team**



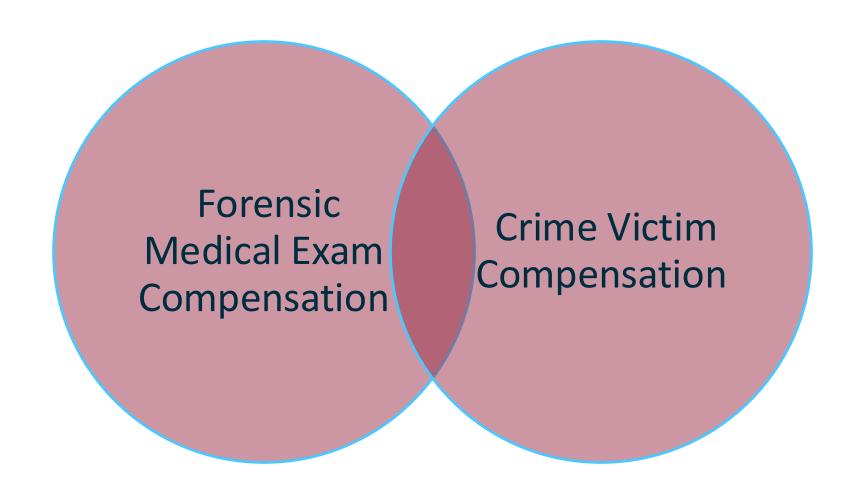
## **OCVS Grants & Training Team**

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OCVS Financial Grants Manager	VOCA Administrator	
	<u>https</u>	://www.doj.state.wi.us/ocvs/ocvs-grant-programs

#### **OCVS Direct Victim Services**



#### Crime Victim Compensation Program (CVC)



### Crime Victim Compensation Requirement

## Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) TERMS AND ASSURANCES OF SUBGRANT AWARD

- IX. ASSURANCES By acceptance of this subgrant award, the Subgrantee assures that:
- A. Compliance. The Subgrantee shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) and federal and state Program Guidelines.
- B. Non-supplantation. Funds will not be used to supplant other sources of support.
- C. Direct services. Funds will be used only to support direct services to crime victims.
- D. **Eligible agency.** The applicant is a public agency, a non-profit organization or a combination of public agency and non-profit organization. If a non-profit organization, it is duly incorporated under Wisconsin Statutes or appropriate statutes of other recognized jurisdiction.
- E. Coordinated efforts. The Subgrantee will promote, within the community served, coordinated public and private efforts to aid crime victims.
- F. **Use of volunteers.** The Subgrantee shall, unless waived in writing by the Department, incorporate the use of volunteers in the delivery of victim services.
- G. Crime Victim Compensation assistance. The Subgrantee will assist victims in seeking available crime victim compensation benefits.

#### You Received Your VOCA Award - Now What?



#### Federal & State Guidance Governing VOCA



#### **VOCA Decision Making Resources**

Special Conditions of Federal award



VOCA Rule



**DOJ Grants Financial Guide** 



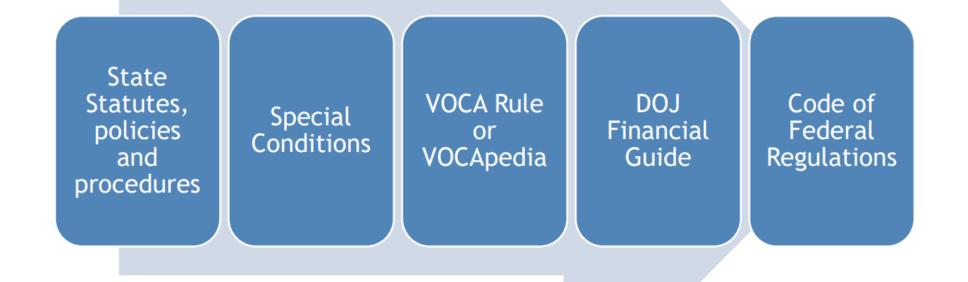
2 C.F.R. 200



State statutes, policies and procedures



#### **VOCA Decision Making Process**



#### Wisconsin VOCA Guidelines

## VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT (VOCA)



State Program Guidelines

Wisconsin Department of Justice Office of Crime Victim Services 17 West Main Street P.O. Box 7951 Madison, WI 53707 (608) 267-2251

## Uniform Guidance 2 CFR 200 Updates



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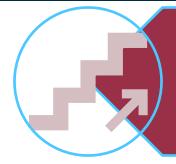
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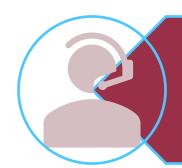
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Equipment Threshold

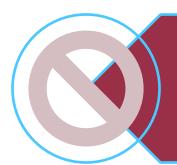
#### **Audit Threshold**



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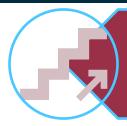


Contact your grant manager

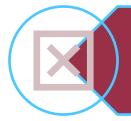


Cannot pay for audit if under new threshold

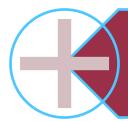
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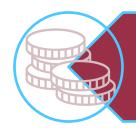
Increased to 15% of modified total direct costs (MTDC)



Not automatic



New certificate required



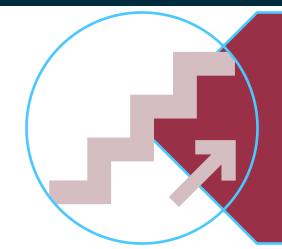
No additional funds available

#### MTDC Subaward Threshold Increase

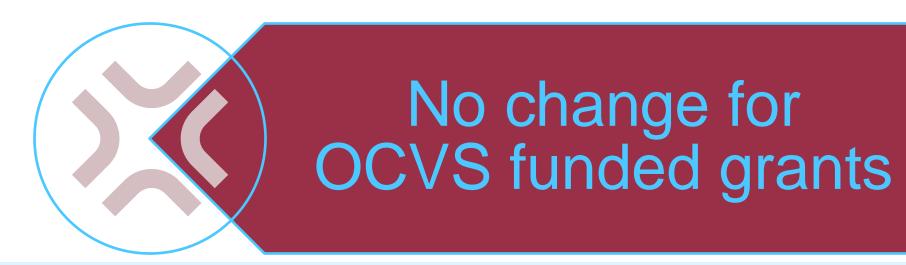




#### Tips for Equipment Threshold



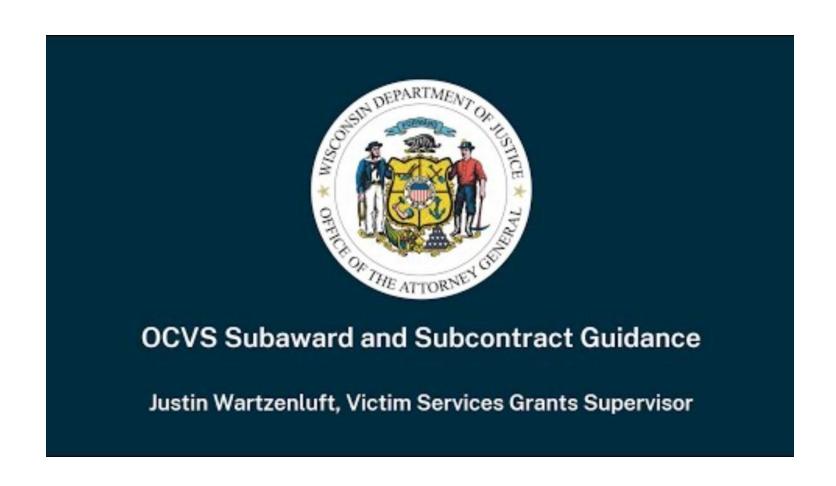
Increased to \$10,000 at the federal level



#### OCVS Subcontract and Subaward 101



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## Communication and Compliance



#### Communication



#### Maintaining Compliance

Submit reports on time

Submit budget modifications as needed

Create policies & procedures to manage your grant

Keep grant supporting documentation

Follow the WI VOCA Guidelines Communicate – please ask if you are not sure

#### Time Keeping for VOCA Funded Staff



## **VOCA Special Conditions**



#### Federal VOCA Special Conditions

# Example: Suitability to Interact with Minors

#### OCVS Required VOCA Special Conditions (examples)

Audit Requirement

Match Waiver

Contractual/Subaward

Pooled Staff & Volunteers Documentation

Level 3 Monitoring

**Volunteer Waiver** 

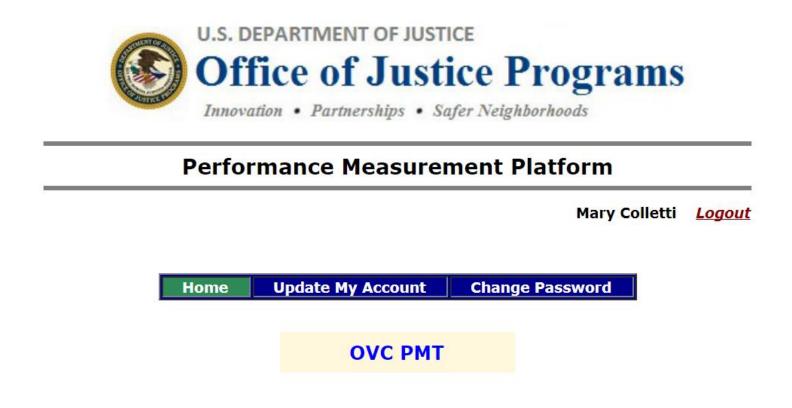
## Reporting



#### **VOCA Grant Reporting Requirements**

Financial Status Report (FSR)	Egrants	Quarterly (4) or Monthly Reporting (12)
Program Report	Egrants	Semi-Annual Report
		Final Program Report
OVC PMT	Performance Measurement Platform	Quarterly Reporting (4 Reports)

# Office for Victims of Crime Performance Measurement Tool (OVC PMT) <a href="https://ojpsso.ojp.gov/">https://ojpsso.ojp.gov/</a>



\*\*\* Staying Logged-In \*\*\*
Keep this window open for navigation to all of your assigned OJP applications!

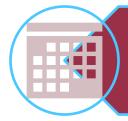
# Financial Status Report (FSR)



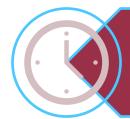
#### **FSR Information**



#### Complete in Egrants



Submit either monthly or quarterly

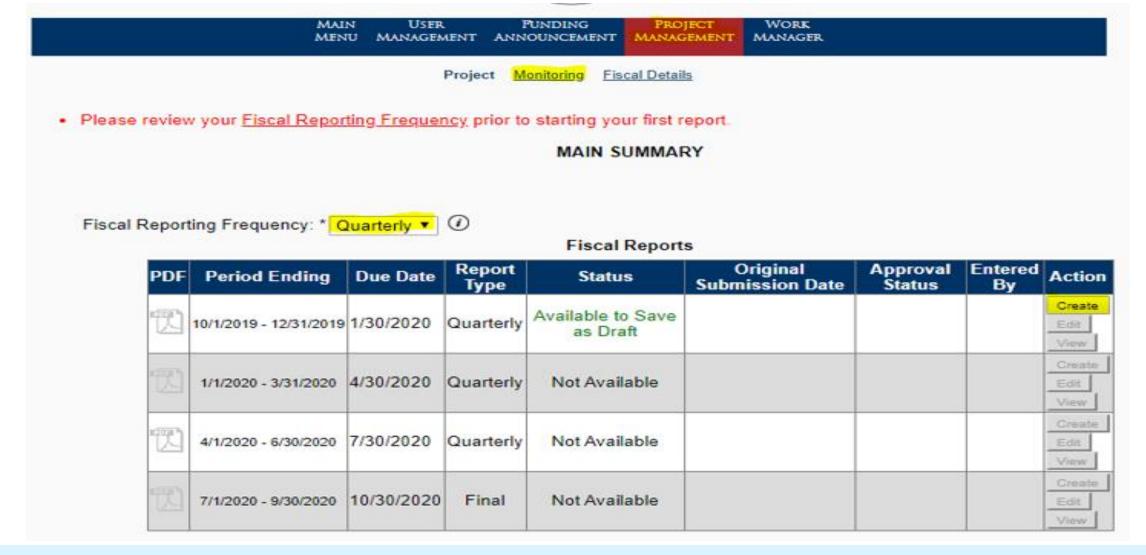


Due 30 days after reporting period



Must include all relevant attachments

#### Where do I start?



# Working in the FSR

#### This Report only covers the period

Report Start: 10/1/2019 Report End: 12/31/2019 Project Period: 10/1/2019 To 9/30/2020

#### FISCAL REPORT

Final Report: \* No ▼
Report Status: Draft

Approval Status: Pending

Last Submitted Date: Status Updated By:

Financial Information	Budget	Expenditures To Date	Current Period	New Expenditures To Date			
Federal	354,031.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Cash Match (New Approp.)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
In-Kind Match	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Total Σ	354,031.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			

Budget Categories Expand All **		Budget	Expenditures To Date	Current Period	New Expenditures To Date
Personnel	+	209,009.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Employee Benefits	+	78,650.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Staff Development	+	10,295.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Travel (Including Training)	+	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Equipment	+	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Supplies & Operating Expenses	#	56,077.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Consultants/Contractual	#	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Indirect	+	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other	+	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Total Σ	354.031.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

#### Remarks and Attachments

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Certifications

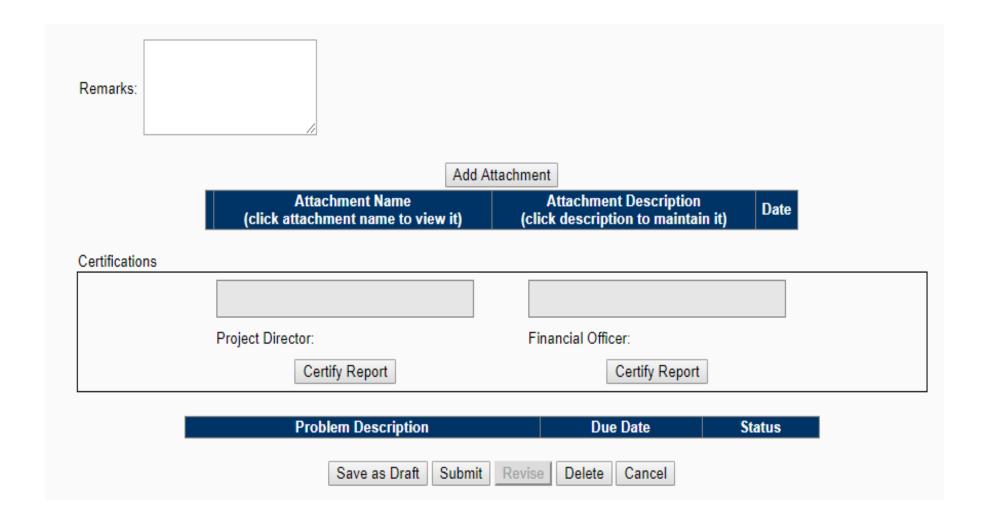
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	Dele	eie	Reporting Spreadsheet 07-2024	Pool Staff 07-2024	10/22/2024								
		(Attach to	FSR).xlsx										

WCH Emergency Fund July 2024.xlsx

10/31/2024

Emergency Fund July detail

# Certifying the FSR



# **OCVS Payment Schedule**

OCVS needs at least 6 to 8 weeks to approve and reimburse an FSR.



Program managers

Allowability and supporting documentation



Financial managers

Budget and supporting documentation



Bureau of Budget and Finance

Final review and payment

# Time and Effort



# What is required for Staff & Volunteers?

There must be a clear trail from time worked to the amounts claimed.

Not based on estimates or percentages – <u>Actual Time</u>

No predetermined allocation

An after-the-fact accounting

Staff reflect on how time was spent

Employee states their time and effort

Certified by employee and supervisor

#### Time and Effort Timesheets

# Timesheets

- Required for all staff and volunteers, even if salaried
- Need to answer three things
  - What work was done? (time with client, reviewing case notes, responding to crisis, etc.)
  - How long was the work done for? (15 minutes, 1 hour, all day, etc.)
  - How much is VOCA paying for?

#### Agency Name BI-WEEKLY TIME SHEET

Employee Name:_									:	Sign	ature															_			
Approved By:																													
Pay Period:																													
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SAVS																													0
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Official																													0
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# BREAK (15 minutes)



# Match



#### What is match – Match Definition

# The non-federal share of costs that subgrantees are required to contribute to the VOCA project.

#### What is match – Continued

You may add any of the below into your VOCA project

Non-federal Funding Sources

**Donated Services** 

Donated Goods & Materials

# Match Requirements and the VOCA Project

Tribal Programs

- No match

required

Non-federal Funds

Same
Requirement for
VOCA Federal
Funds

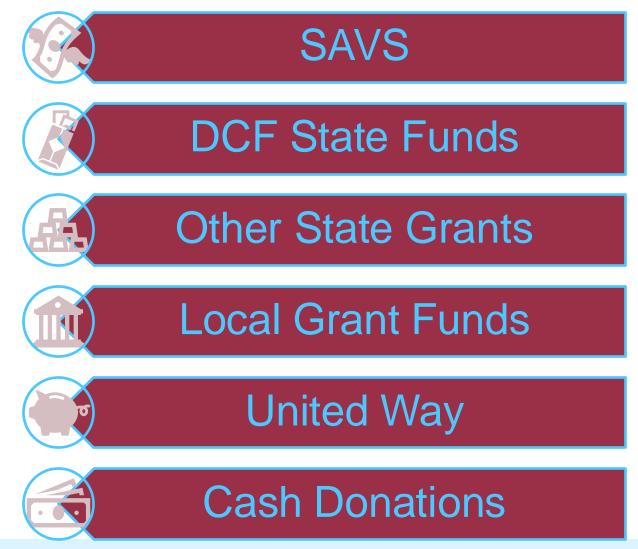
Match Waiver Option

# Two Types of Match

# Cash Match

# In-Kind Match

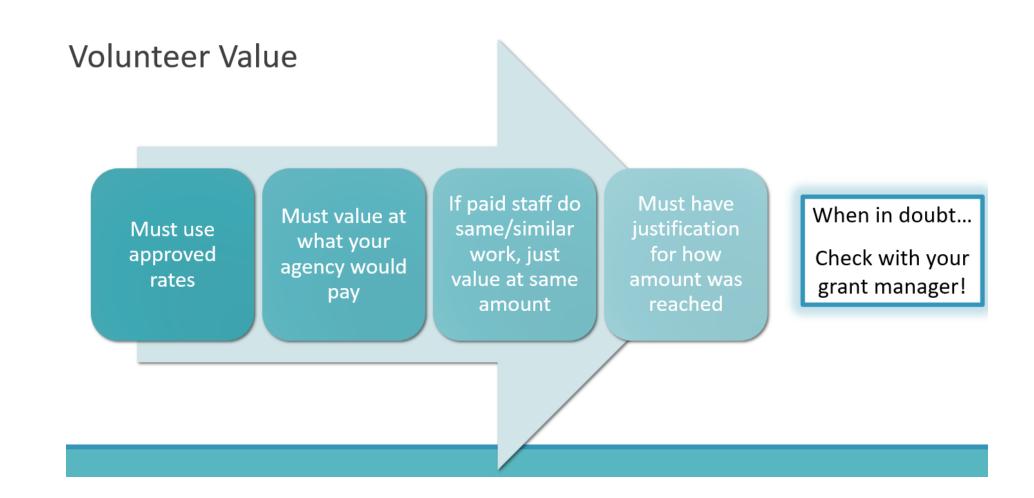
#### Cash Match



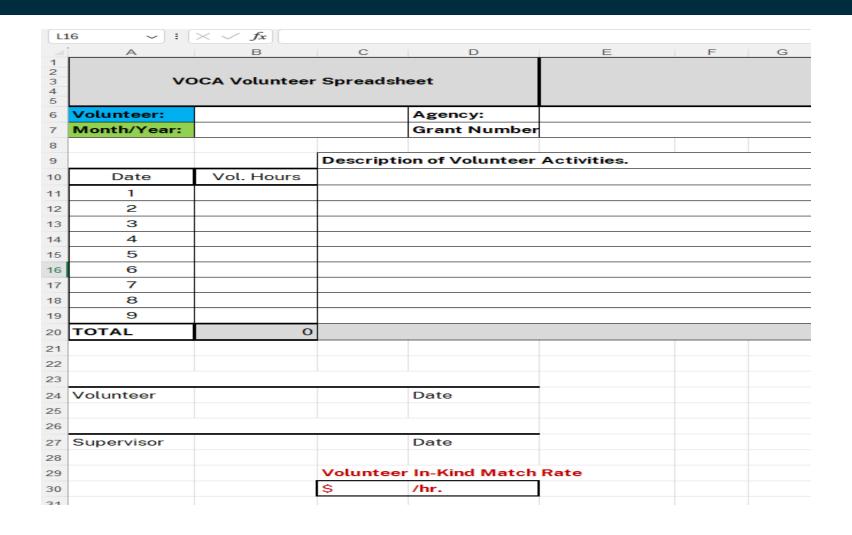
#### In-Kind Match



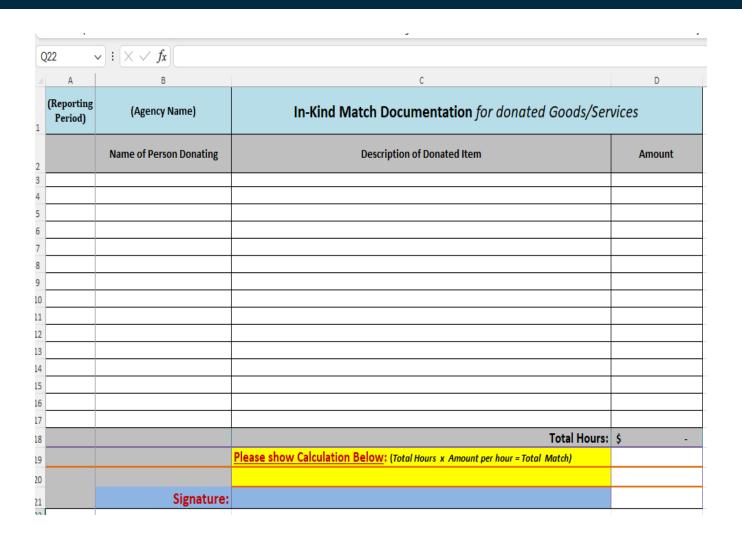
#### In-Kind Match - Volunteers



## In-Kind Match – FSR Documentation Example



#### In-Kind Match – FSR Documentation Donated Goods Example



# **VOCA Goals and Objectives**



Please submit by Wednesday, January 15



# Why are goals & objectives needed?

# Goals & objectives are a federal VOCA requirement.

Accountability

Clarity

Communication

**Monitors Progress** 

Motivation

Organization Success

#### SMART Goals



#### Goals are:

- Broad
- General intentions
- Intangible
- Abstract
- Difficult to measure

#### Objectives are:

- Narrow
- Precise
- Tangible
- Concrete
- Measurable

# Goals & Objectives – VOCA Goals

#### **VOCA Goals**

Respond to the emotional, psychological, or physical needs of crime victims

Assist victims to stabilize their lives after a victimization

Assist victims to understand and participate in the criminal justice system

Restore a measure of safety and security for the victim

# Goals & Objectives – OCVS Priority Areas

- By-and-for organizations that provide victim services to communities impacted by inequity.
- Demonstrated, improved, and intentional collaboration in <u>rural</u> areas amongst system partners and other service providers.
- Demonstrated, improved, and intentional collaboration around sexual assault victim services amongst system partners and other service providers.
- Maximized use of resources in each community to serve all victims of crime.

# Goals & Objectives

# Example



Please submit by **Wednesday, January 15** 



Goal #1: Restore a measure of safety and security for the victim



Objective #1A: 80% of those served will indicate that they know additional ways to remain safe



#1A Timeframe: Q1-Q4



Measurement Criteria: 80% of those served will agree with the statement: "I know more ways to plan for my safety"



Evaluation Plan: Surveys collected monthly from program staff. Results are reviewed by the Program Director quarterly.

# **Budget Modifications**



# When to do a budget modification

#### **Staff Changes**

- Hiring of new employees
- Staff turnover
- Internal changes and/or restructures

# Categories over budget

 Changes that are 10% or \$500 over a budget category

New line items

Project
Director,
Financial
Officer,
Signing
Official
changes

### **Important Points**

There is no limit on the number of modifications that can be submitted

Must be submitted through Egrants

Modifications change the fiscal report budget

Modifications are NOT retroactive

An agency must NOT incur expenses until modification is approved

A modification is approved after the Grant Adjustment Notice is signed

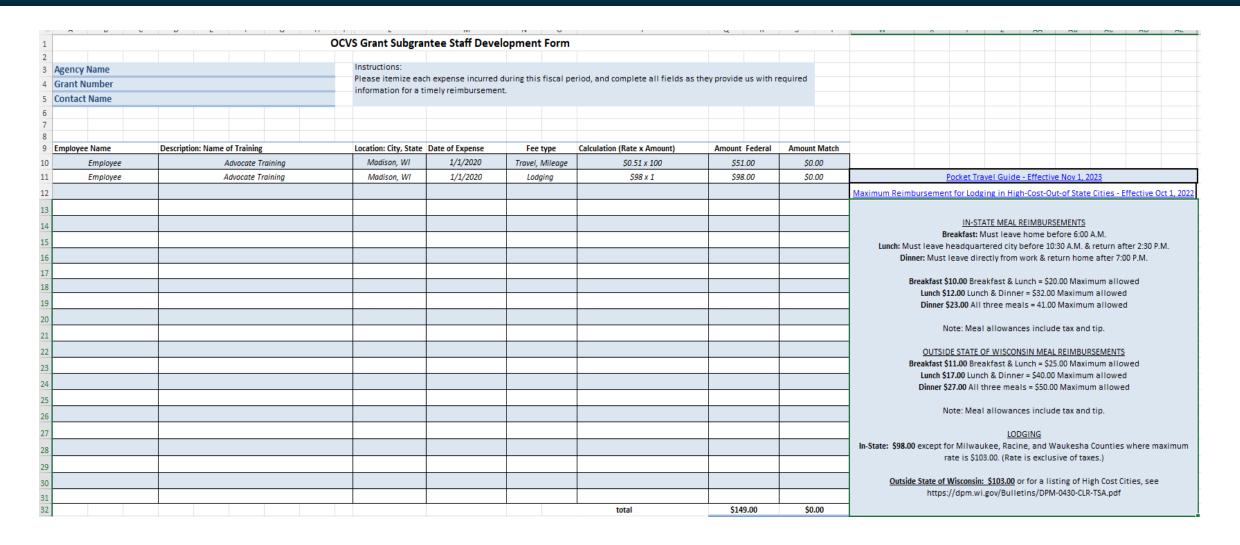
OCVS CANNOT and WILL NOT pay for expenses incurred before approved modification

Retroactive staff changes are not reimbursable

# Staff Development



# Staff Development Form





# Attorney General's Remarks



# **VOCA Orientation QR Survey Code**





To use a QR code on your phone, open your phone's camera app and point it at the QR code. Your phone will automatically detect and display a link on the screen, which you can tap to access the associated information. Most modern smartphones can scan QR codes directly through the native camera app without needing a separate QR reader app.





Thank you!