

### **SASP RFP – Questions and Answers**

- 1. Can SASP funding be used to fund a “Patient Education Program” with a local hospital to inform patients about the availability of Sexual Violence services in their area? Annual costs estimated at \$2,500 and includes online listing and a 30 second commercial airing every 20 minutes in the local emergency room, 24 hours per day and 7 days per week for a full year.**

The “Patient Education Program” described above would be allowable under this award.

- 2. Are the following expenses considered allowable: staffing expenses (salary, taxes, benefits) for a dedicated sexual assault advocate, mileage for travel to meet underserved survivors in rural locations, office supplies to include a laptop for said advocate to maximize his/her mobility when serving underserved persons in rural areas?**

The expenses described above would be allowable.

- 3. Can you clarify the maximum award available? Is it up to \$173,751 per year for three years (total of \$521,253) or \$173,751 total (\$57,917 per year for 3 years)?**

Applicants may request up to \$173,751 for the first year to provide sexual assault services in accordance with this RFP for the 2018-2019 term. Awards for subsequent years are anticipated to be the same or a similar amount.

- 4. Do you have any examples of how other agencies have incorporated a specific advocate service for the underserved populations (Spanish speaking an (LGBTQ in our area specifically).**

Agencies have funded bilingual advocates to work in specific counties or with specific populations. One agency dedicated funds to a volunteer coordinator position to recruit and manage Spanish-speaking volunteers. Another agency used grant funds to increase awareness of sexual assault services and work with survivors in the LGBTQ+ community.

- 5. Out of scope activities: providing training to allied professionals and the community. Does this include information on program services (such as location of office and services provided)?**

The dissemination of information about program services such as location of the office, hotline number, and services provided is an allowable activity under this award.

**6. Does this grant cover non-direct costs such as:**

- office space (rent)**
- utilities**
- cell phone**
- laptop**
- internet access**
- payroll fees**

Non-direct costs such as those listed above are allowable for this award.

**7. This grant prohibits funds to be used for “sexual assault forensic examiner projects” does this include accompaniment and advocacy with survivors by advocate at examinations?**

Intervention and related assistance may include accompaniment and advocacy through medical, criminal justice, and social support systems, including medical facilities, police, and court proceedings. Advocacy during forensic examinations is allowable under this award.

**8. This grant prohibits the “establishment and maintenance of Sexual Assault Response Team” does this include attendance by staff at SART maintained and established through another program?**

Attendance by staff at meetings of the local SART that is maintained and established through another program is an allowable activity under this award.

**9. Will this funding pay for operational expenses or will it be restricted to pay for salaries only like OAG is?**

This funding can be used for operational activities.