



Sexual Assault Victim Services (SAVS) 2026 Non-Competitive Grant

Funding Announcement

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Funding Announcement Description

SAVS grant funds are intended for the development, expansion, enhancement, and/or support of comprehensive sexual assault services and are available to victims of sexual assault regardless of where they reside in Wisconsin. See SAVS Grant Program Guidelines on the [DOJ website](#) for additional information.

Important Dates

Application Due Date: October 17, 2025

Project Start Date: January 1, 2026

Project End Date: December 31, 2026

Anticipated Funding Amount

Current SAVS subgrantees may apply for continuation funding at their current level of funding for one year. Total funding amount is \$2,226,800.

Match/Cost Sharing Requirement

No match is required. Wis. Stat. § 165.93(2)(b) requires the organization not receive more than 70 percent of its operating budget from grants.

Eligibility

This is a non-competitive grant announcement. **Only current SAVS subgrantees are eligible** to apply for continued funding.

To be eligible for a SAVS grant, an applicant must be a nonprofit or public agency that provides or proposes to provide all the following services to sexual assault victims:

- Advocacy and counseling services.
- Crisis telephone line services on a 24 hours per day and 7 days per week basis.
- Professional education about intervention for sexual assault victims and community education programs for the prevention of sexual assault.



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- Services for persons living in rural areas, men, children, elderly persons, physically disabled persons, culturally specific groups and other groups of victims that have special needs. This subdivision does not require the applicant to provide services to any group of persons that does not reside in the applicant's service area.

See [SAVS Grant Program Guidelines](#) on the [SAVS webpage](#) for the SAVS Program Description.

Eligible Expenses

Allowable expenses may include, but are not limited to, the following:

Prevention Efforts

- Increase collaboration with local universities and/or technical college campuses.
- Specialized prevention project/campaign with local school districts.
- Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM) outreach and community events.

Equipment

- Technology needs and data tracking systems.
- Vehicles for sexual assault programming (SANE response client transport, etc.).

Emergency Client Assistance

- Gas cards, taxi vouchers, bus vouchers, etc.
- Safe housing emergency funds (no direct cash assistance)
- Improve SANE response “go-bags” for victims receiving medical advocacy services.
- Pay for the sexual assault services portion of the 24/7 crisis/hotline.

Staff Development and Consultant/Contractual Costs

- Civil legal assistance, translation/interpretation services, therapy, bookkeeping, etc.
- Agency hiring a consultant to provide trainings to local multidisciplinary teams (MDTs), sexual assault response teams (SARTs), or other system partners.
- Hiring a consultant to provide in-house training on sexual assault issues and/or topics.
- Hiring a consultant to provide training to the community on sexual assault issues and/or topics.
- Sending SAVS-funded and non-SAVS funded staff to trainings related to sexual assault. These staff may attend out-of-state trainings/conferences with pre-



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approval. Travel-related expenses are allowable.

Personnel and Employee Benefits

- Salary and fringe benefits.

Other

- Other justifiable service needs for victims and survivors of sexual assault.

Examples of *unallowable* services include:

- Victim's cost/reimbursement for expenses incurred during the commission of a crime
- Forensic medical examinations.
- Investigation services to prosecute the crime.
- Sex offender treatment and rehabilitation.

All expenses must be new and cannot be used to supplant, replace, or divert other sources of support.

Application Components

The application will be completed in Egrants. The following sections outline the information requested in the application. Egrants will time out each session after 30 minutes which may result in lost data. It is recommended to write answers outside of Egrants and then copy and paste them into Egrants.

Main Summary Page

This page will ask for information about your agency and the individuals responsible for the application and grant award. Please identify a financial officer, project director, and signing official. These individuals **cannot** be the same person.

- The **Financial Officer** is the individual responsible for financial activities in your organization while the project director will be overseeing project operations.
- The **Project Director** will be the main point of contact for all SAVS-related grant communications.
- The **Signing Official** should be the highest elected official, or a designated proxy by the highest elected official, for the agency.



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Then, please select the corresponding State Senate Districts, Congressional Districts, and State Assembly District from the drop-down menu.

In the Brief Project Description text box, describe your project in 150 words or less with the following format.

“[Name of Agency] [identify component, if more than one] will provide [major categories or types of services] to [description of clients in terms of types of crime(s) and other relevant demographics] in [county(ies)].”

Please use an identifying title of your project, which includes “SAVS” at the start of the project. For example, “SAVS: 2026 Non-Competitive Grant.”

Approval Checklist

Answer Yes or No to each question.

Performance Measures

Open the performance measures section and change the page status to “Complete”; then SAVE the page.

Budget Detail

Complete a project budget that covers costs for January 1, 2026–December 31, 2026, using the following categories. For each category, please describe how the items in that category will be used during the grant. This should include cost calculations for each budget line item.

Personnel: Provide salary information for employees funded through the grant. For each employee, list position title and name. Only staff that are directly working on the SAVS funded program and activities can be charged to the grant. Do not include contractors in this budget category.

Employee Benefits: Employee benefits are for those listed in personnel and should be pro-rated for the time devoted to the project.



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Staff Development: To be used for direct staff, supervisors, and administrative staff supporting the SAVS program. Volunteers and non-SAVS funded staff may also attend sexual assault related training with SAVS funds. Include registration fees and travel expenses in this budget category.

Travel: Any travel excluding training purposes. Travel must relate to the provision of sexual assault victim services. All reimbursements will be at [current state rates](#) and are subject to change.

Equipment: For tangible non-expendable personal property having a useful life of more than one year and acquisition cost of \$5,000 or more per unit.

Supplies and operating expenses: Includes consumables such as paper, general office supplies, postage, liability insurance, and software. This category can include operating expenses such as rent and utilities.

Indirect costs: Include allowable prorated indirect/administrative costs.

Consultants/Contractual: All costs associated with individuals or entities providing services through a contractual agreement must be included in this section. Consultant fees more than \$650 per day or \$81.25 per hour day require additional justification and require approval. The [consultant](#) and [contractual](#) checklists can be used as a resource for this type of expense.

Other: Items that do not fit into specific categories.

Project Narrative (limit two pages)

Describe how SAVS funds will be used by the agency to provide services to sexual assault victims. The narrative must include responses to the following questions:

1. Describe how the agency currently provides or proposes to provide sexual assault victim services within the proposed service delivery area.
 - a. If the service is provided by a subcontractor and/or subaward, please describe how the services will be provided.



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2. What program changes did you encounter during the past year, and how will you address these in year four of the project?

Required Attachments

Under this section, please type “See Attached” in the section response box and upload the documents. Attachments that are not requested in this Funding Announcement will not be considered.

- [SAVS Eligibility Checklist](#)
 - List of Agency Board of Directors including name and position in community.
 - Job Description for Each Position Funded by SAVS
- If applicable:*
- Indirect Cost Rate *either*
 - Federally Approved Negotiated Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (NICRA)
 - or*
 - [Certification to Apply 15% de Minimis Indirect Cost Rate](#)

Application Registration Requirements

Egrants Registration

All applications must be submitted through the Wisconsin Department of Justice’s web-based grants management system called [Egrants](#). If you are new to Egrants, you will need to register to access the system.

Register [online](#), and complete the self-registration process. On the account registration site, select DOJ Egrants.

Authorization to access Egrants can take several days depending on registration activity. The DOJ help desk is open Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. If you have any problems using Egrants, please contact the help desk at Egrants@doj.state.wi.us or call (608) 267-9068 or toll free at (888) 894-6607 during business hours.



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Application Review and Award Criteria

All applications must be submitted on or before the deadline and will be screened for completeness and compliance with the instructions provided in this announcement.

Post-Award Special Conditions/Reporting Requirements

Award documents will be sent to the project director of each awarded agency. Agencies awarded funds under this announcement are required to provide regular progress reports. The schedule for reports will be included in the grant award materials. When received, please review all grant award **special conditions** and **Egrants reporting requirements**. A brief outline of the required reports is listed below.

Fiscal Reports – Subgrants are paid three times during the grant period. Fifty (50%) of the award is disbursed at the beginning of the grant year for the first six months of expenses. Subgrantees must then submit two quarterly fiscal reports for reimbursement for the third and fourth quarter reporting periods. The final reimbursement will be issued after the SAVS final reports are received and approved.

Program Reports- Subgrants will report on project activities on a semi-annual basis. Subgrants will also submit a final report at the end of the grant period.

SAVS Statistical Requirements – As required by Section [165.93\(3\)](#), Wis. Stats, requires all SAVS subgrantees to report statistics from the grant period. The Statistical Requirements Report is due with final fiscal and program reports but is completed via REDCap.