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Crime Prevention and Justice Assistance Division
Grants and Planning Branch

Addendum 1

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To

Request for Proposals

RFP Number: AG-CPJAD-VAWA-2013-WF

**Victim Services for Adult Female Victims of Domestic
Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking**

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The Department of the Attorney General, Crime Prevention and Justice Assistance Division, Grants and Planning Branch is issuing this addendum to AG-CPJAD-VAWA-2013-WF, Victim Services for Adult Female Victims of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault or Stalking for the purposes of:

- Responding to questions that arose at the orientation meeting of July 15, 2014 and written questions subsequently submitted in accordance with Section 1-V, of the RFP.
- Amending the RFP.
- Final Revised Proposals

The proposal submittal deadline:

- is amended to <new date>.
- is not amended.
- for Final Revised Proposals is <date>.

Attached is (are):

- A summary of the questions raised and responses for purposes of clarification of the RFP requirements.
- Amendments to the RFP.
- Details of the request for final revised proposals.

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Responses to Question Raised by Potential Applicants For
RFP No. AG-CPJAD-VAWA-2013-WF, Victim Services for Adult Female Victims of
Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault or Stalking

1. Where can we find the Office on Violence Against Women's (OVW) Frequently Asked Questions related to STOP Formula Grants under the 2005 VAWA Reauthorization?

The website link for OVW's Frequently Asked Questions related to STOP Formula Grants is at: <http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/docs/stop-formula-faq.pdf>.

2. Since the eligibility of VAWA funding through the Attorney General are being determined under the 2005 Reauthorization of VAWA, are services for transgender people eligible under this RFP?

Yes. Services for transgender people are allowable under this RFP. The Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) issued an answer to a similar question in its "Frequently Asked Questions on STOP Formula Grants" document. It states "the (VAWA) statute does not restrict provision of services under STOP-funded projects based on sexual orientation or gender identity. In addition, consistent with the policy on serving men with STOP funds, gay, bisexual, and transgender male victims who request services should not be refused such services based on their sex."

The website link to the OVW's Frequently Asked Questions is provided in the response to Question 1.

3. What was the allocation percentage of STOP funds by county in the last victim services funding cycle?

The estimated county allocation percentages for FY 2012 STOP funds for victim services are: Honolulu City and County – 49%, Maui County (including Molokai and Lanai) – 27%, Hawaii County – 16%, and Kauai – 8%.

The calculation of county allocation percentages are based on the location of services being delivered, not on where the agencies' offices are physically located. Some of the agencies awarded are providing services statewide or to specific counties.

4. When was the last RFP for victim services issued by the Department of the Attorney General?

The last RFP was issued on June 3, 2013 and due on July 8, 2013.

5. Does the Department have a definition of what type of transitional services it is seeking?

The Department does not have a specific definition or guidelines for what type of transitional services it is seeking. The Department is generally interested in core services that will help victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence and/or stalking.

6. What are the reporting requirements once an agency is awarded and a contract is established?

Monthly and quarterly fiscal reports are required. A grantee must also submit a six month progress report every six months for the duration of the project period, including a final six month progress report. A STOP Annual report is required by the Office on Violence Against Women on February 1st for each calendar year that the project is active.

7. Does the Department have a description of its service goals in regards to coordinated community response? Is there a tiered or ranked list of goals that the Department wants accomplished for the different criminal justice agencies?

The Department does not have a description of its service goals in regards to coordinated community response efforts and it does not have a tiered system which ranks one type of coordinated community response over the other. For more guidance on what the VAWA State Planning Committee established as priority areas for criminal justice agencies, see the State of Hawaii Implementation Plan for the STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grant for FY 2012 through 2014. It can be found in the Plan Priorities and Approaches section at http://ag.hawaii.gov/cpja/files/2013/01/VAWA-Implementation-Plan-FY-2012_2014.pdf.

8. The RFP mentions not putting proposals in a 3-ring binder. Does the Department want it bound with a binder clip or in a pressboard folder?

We do not require the submitted proposals to be bound in any specific way. We only require that it not be submitted in a 3-ring binder. A binder clip or pressboard folder is acceptable.

9. Are there page limits to the different sections or the entire application document?

No. There are no page limits for the different sections or entire application document.