

Justice Reinvestment Grant

Victims 10% Annual Progress Reporting

As part of the Justice Reinvestment grant monitoring process, each victim services provider has been asked to respond, in narrative form, to an **Annual Progress Report**. This Progress Report asks the provider to detail how they are using grant funds to meet specific criteria.

Here is a more detailed description of the criteria and examples of how a provider may respond:

Meeting the needs of the marginalized and underserved

Identify the targeted underserved population and detail how the organization is using grant funds to reach that population. *Ex: Outreach efforts target and serve homeless victims of crime, wherever they are, recognizing that those individuals may not feel comfortable or welcome approaching a brick-and-mortar service location.*

Addressing access barriers

Barriers come in many different forms and can keep individuals from accessing badly needed services. Responses may include a description of a specific barrier and how the provider is working to remove it. *Ex: Hiring a Russian speaking clinician to address language and cultural barriers to better serve the growing Russian population in the service area.*

Increasing capacity where services are difficult to access, limited or non-existent

Geographic barriers can make it difficult for a provider to deliver the same level of service. This disadvantages those who are more isolated, particularly in rural communities. *Ex: Tele-counseling stations are may be located in libraries, probation offices and schools and offer immediate private access to victim services professionals – a benefit to rural locations that are historically cut off from services.*

Investing in trauma informed services

Trauma informed services stem from an organizational structure and treatment framework that involves understanding, recognizing, and responding to the effects of all causes of trauma. *Ex: Engage in regular trainings and meetings around the provision of trauma-informed services allowing for modifications in the delivery of services to demonstrate an understanding of how a survivor might perceive what is happening.*

Criteria



Criteria were developed to help guide how service providers targeted 10% funds. Each provider's application for funding was required to address all four criteria:

- Demonstrate need for the proposed services in the community targeting **marginalized and underserved** populations in the community;
- Address **access barriers**, such as but not limited to: language, literacy, disability, transportation and cultural practices;
- Increase capacity for areas where services are **difficult to access**, are limited or non-existent; and
- Invest in **trauma-informed** interventions and services.

The Criminal Justice Commission recognizes that implementation is a process and can result in plan changes based on new information or circumstances. Victim service providers will be asked to describe any current or planned deviations from activities proposed in the original grant application.