

# OVC Human Trafficking Funding Opportunities & Training Resources

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## **Today's Presenters**





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- Overview of the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC)
- OVC Anti-Trafficking Programs & Funding
- OVC Anti-Trafficking Tools & Resources
- Q&A



### **OVC Mission and Overview**



**Mission:** OVC is committed to enhancing the Nation's capacity to assist crime victims and to providing leadership in changing policies and practices to promote justice and healing for all victims of crime.



OVC funding supports—

- state victim compensation and assistance programs;
- · victims in tribal communities;
- human trafficking victims;
- · victims of international terrorism and mass violence;
- Training and technical assistance and information resources;
- · Federal agencies' provision of victim services; and
- · demonstration and community-based victim services projects.

## **Types of OVC Grants**



#### **Discretionary**

- Awarded directly to eligible recipients.
- Applicants apply directly via Grants.gov/JustGrants.
- Most often awarded on a competitive basis.



#### **Formula**

- Are typically administered and managed by State Administering Agencies (SAA) or other OVC-approved fiscal agents.
- Most often, are disseminated to SAAs on a noncompetitive basis.
- Distribution of funds among eligible recipients is either statutorily defined, or defined by distribution process specified by OVC.



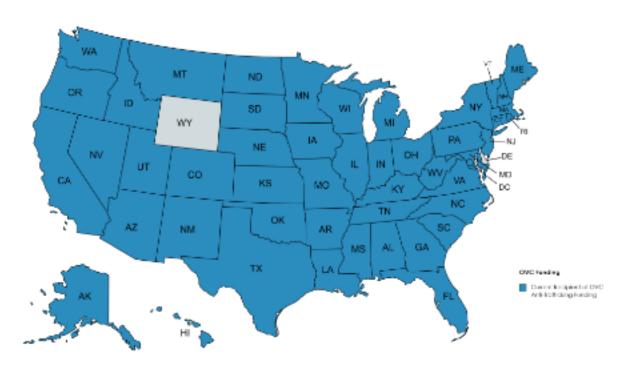






- OVC currently manages almost 500 anti-trafficking awards that total over \$325 million.
- The majority of OVC anti-trafficking funds support direct services to victims; multidisciplinary teams; statewide responses to child and youth trafficking; and TTA.
- OVC works closely with other federal partners, especially HHS, to implement complementary programming.

# OVC Anti-Trafficking Programs Across the U.S.



- There are currently OVC HT awards in 48 states, one territory, and Washington, D.C.
- OVC's website lists, by state, where the awards are funded.





## **Statutory Authority for Anti-Trafficking Programs**



#### Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000

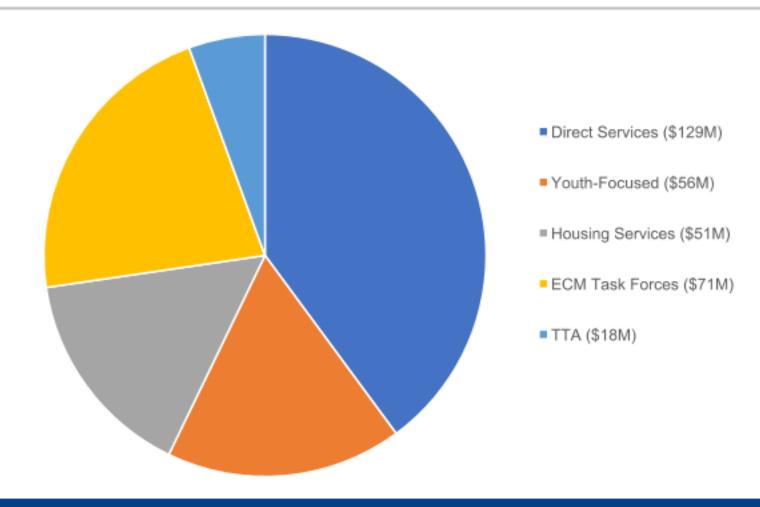
Subject to the availability of appropriations, the Attorney General may make grants to States, Indian tribes, units of local government, and nonprofit, nongovernmental victims' service organizations to develop, expand, or strengthen victim service programs for victims of trafficking, including programs that provide housing to victims of trafficking.

#### The 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b)(2) statute also requires:

- 25% Matching funds from applicants.
- Only up to 5% of OVC's anti-trafficking funding can be used for training and technical assistance.
- Only up to 3% of OVC's anti-trafficking funding can be used for research and evaluation.

## **OVC Current Anti-Trafficking Awards - \$325M**





## **Trafficking Victim Services Clients Served**

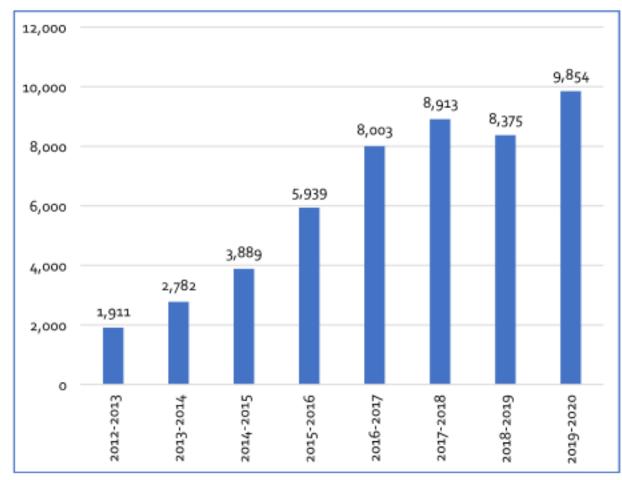






# Clients Served by OVC Anti-Trafficking Grantees 2012–2020\*

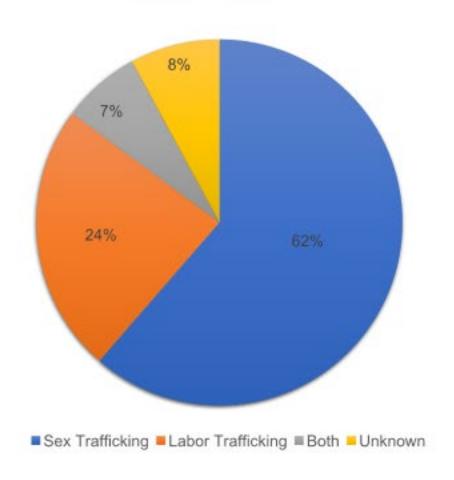
\*Data on this and the following 3 slides are from OVC's Trafficking Information Management System (TIMS) reported by recipients of the Human Trafficking Victim Services awards. Reporting Periods from July 1–June 30 of the next year.

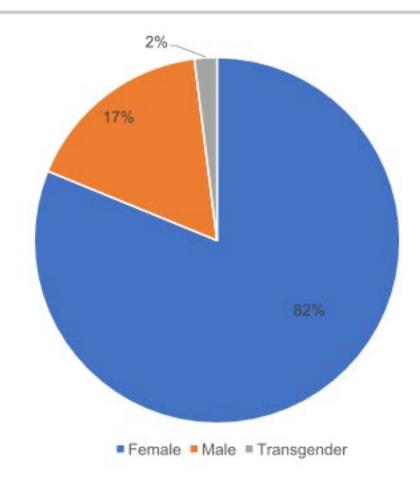


#### Types of Trafficking Experienced by Clients 2019–2020

#### Gender of Clients 2019–2020



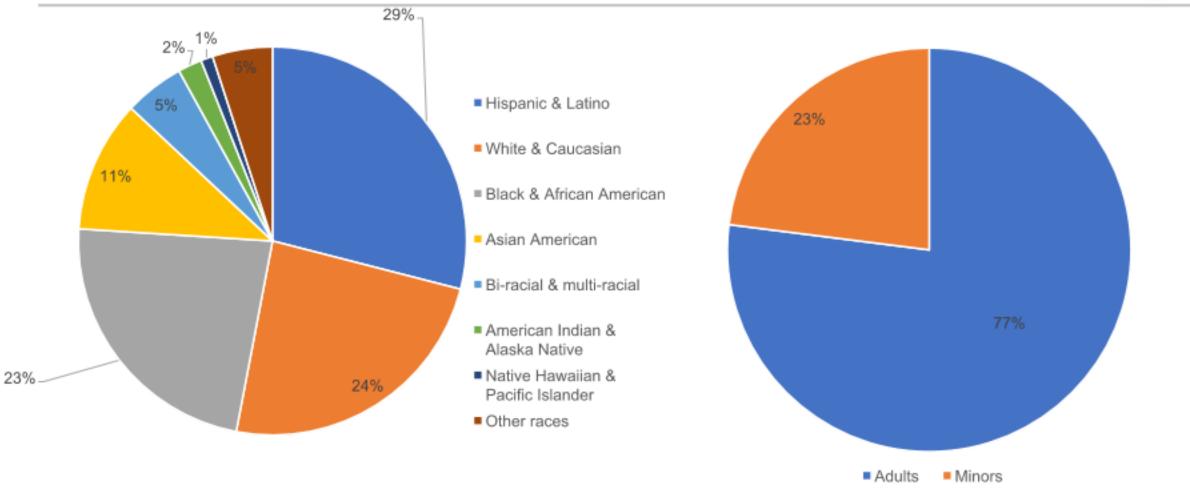




## Race/Ethnicity of Clients 2019–2020

#### Age of Clients 2019–2020





## Enhanced Collaborative Model Task Forces 2015–2020\*



- Conducted 11,470 new investigations.
- Identified over 15,000 potential sex and/or labor trafficking victims of crime.
- Over 3,000 individuals were criminally charged on human trafficking -related offenses.
- Over 1,200 individuals were found guilty, pled guilty, or accepted plea on human trafficking charges.

<sup>\*</sup>These self-reported data come from OJP Performance Measurement Tool (PMT) for recipients of the Human Trafficking Enhanced Collaborative Model. Reporting periods from October 2015 to September 2020.



- Under the <u>Services for Victims of Human Trafficking</u> program, OVC awarded over \$22M to develop, expand, or strengthen victim service programs for victims of human trafficking.
- Under the <u>Enhanced Collaborative Model Task Force to Combat</u> Human Trafficking program, OVC awarded over \$22M to develop, expand, or strengthen a multidisciplinary approach to fight human trafficking.
- Under the <u>Housing Assistance Grants for Victims of Human</u>
   <u>Trafficking</u> program, OVC awarded over \$15M to provide safe, stable housing and appropriate services to victims of human trafficking.



- Under the <u>Services for Minor Victims of Sex Trafficking</u> program, OVC awarded over \$8M to develop, expand, or strengthen victim service programs for those whose victimizations occurred when they were under 18.
- Under the <u>Training and Technical Assistance for Human Trafficking</u> <u>Service Providers</u> program, OVC awarded nearly \$3M to provide funding for TTA to anti-trafficking service providers.
- Under the <u>Improving Outcomes for Child and Youth Victims of Human</u>
   <u>Trafficking</u> program, OVC awarded nearly \$3M to improve responses to child and youth victims of trafficking, with a focus on coordination at the statewide or Tribal jurisdiction level.



- Under the <u>Enhancing Juvenile and Family Court Responses to Human</u>
   <u>Trafficking</u> program, OVC awarded over \$2M to develop/enhance programs
   to provide direct services and diversion programs for minor trafficking victims
   involved in the juvenile and family court systems.
- Under the <u>Field-Generated Human Trafficking Training and Technical</u>
   <u>Assistance for Law Enforcement</u> program, OVC awarded \$2M to develop innovative strategies to support jurisdictions engaged in identifying victims and investigating/prosecuting human trafficking crimes.
- Under the <u>Services for Minor Victims of Labor Trafficking</u> program, OVC awarded nearly \$2M to develop, expand, or strengthen victim service programs for those whose victimizations occurred when they were under 18.



- Under the <u>Preventing Trafficking of Girls</u> program, OVC awarded over \$1M to support prevention and early intervention programs for girls who are atrisk of, or are victims of, sex trafficking.
- Under the <u>Law Enforcement Human Trafficking Fellowship Program</u>, OVC awarded \$400K to support a Fellow to improve and expand the ability of law enforcement, prosecutors, and OJP-funded human trafficking task forces nationwide to conduct and implement victim-centered and traumainformed investigations and prosecutions.
- OVC supported awards made by the National Institute of Justice for more than \$2.6M under its <u>Research and Evaluation of Trafficking in</u> <u>Persons</u> portfolio to better understand, prevent and respond to trafficking in persons in the United States.





The Department of Justice Program Plan is a tool to help applicants and grantees find funding opportunities (solicitations) that to meet the needs of victims within their communities.

For more information, please visit <a href="https://grantsnet.justice.gov/programplan/html/Solicitations.htm">https://grantsnet.justice.gov/programplan/html/Solicitations.htm</a>





The <u>Understanding Human Trafficking</u> online training offers foundational learning on trauma-informed and victim-centered approaches to human trafficking. Some of the skills offered include—

- Implementing trauma-informed approaches to victim identification and outreach.
- Assessing victims for comprehensive service needs.
- Employing a collaborative victim service delivery model by connecting with local partners.
- Identifying accurate data and research on human trafficking.
- New strategies for researching and analyzing laws and policies that impact human trafficking, victim services, and victims' rights.

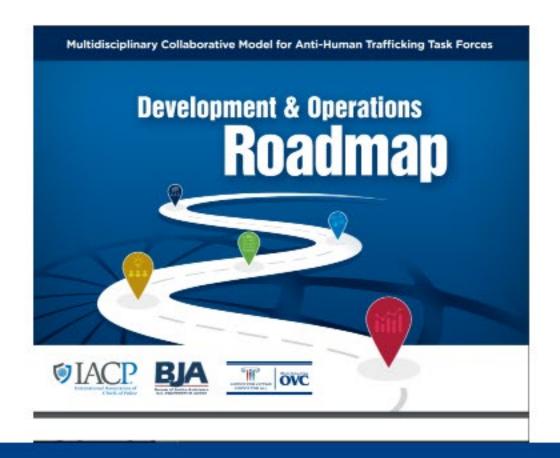
Over 17,000 individuals have taken this training!



## **Anti-Trafficking Resources: Task Forces**



The <u>Development and Operations</u>
Roadmap for <u>Multidisciplinary Anti-</u>
Human Trafficking Task Forces provides new and experienced anti-human trafficking task forces guidance to assess and plan task force development from start to sustainability.



## **Anti-Trafficking Resources: Employment**



Just released! Partnerships and Pathways to Economic Opportunity for Survivors of Trafficking: A Guide leads users through the detailed process of forming a collaboration and partnership between victim services agencies and workforce development or education programs, and provides relevant examples, cases, and resources to promote success.



## **Anti-Trafficking Resources: Outreach**



The <u>Faces of Human Trafficking</u> online video series is intended to be used for outreach and education efforts of service providers, law enforcement, prosecutors, and others in the community.

The series includes information about sex and labor trafficking, multidisciplinary approaches to serving victims of human trafficking, effective victim services, victims' legal needs, and voices of survivors.

Accompanying the video series is a discussion guide, four OVC fact sheets, and four posters that can be used to augment trainings and generate discussion.







## Anti-Trafficking Resources for the Field: Outreach



The <u>Human Trafficking Outreach Toolkit</u> provides service providers with recommendations on developing and disseminating trauma-informed outreach materials.

This toolkit offers a self-directed model to promote critical thinking when creating outreach campaigns across audience groups for purposes of awareness building, fundraising, client connection, and partner collaboration.

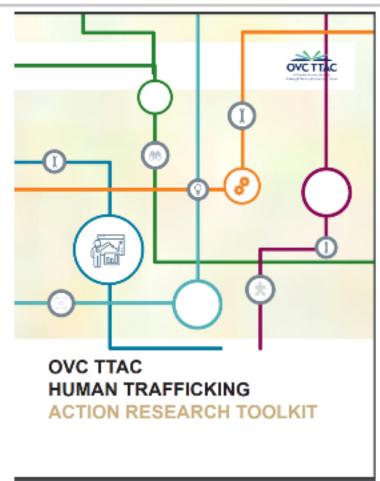


## Anti-Trafficking Resources for the Field: Research



The <u>Human Trafficking Action Research Toolkit</u> provides information, strategies, tools, and other resources to help organizations and programs understand and conduct action research. This includes—

- choosing a focus and partners,
- generating knowledge through data collection,
- leveraging data to develop an action plan,
- implementing the action plan, and
- reflecting and reporting.



## **Anti-Trafficking Resources: Young Survivors**



Just released! Child Victims and Witnesses Graphic Novels written for young survivors of trafficking to help them navigate the judicial system, plus an accompanying booklet that focuses on rights, roles, and responsibilities within the justice system.



### Where Can You Find These Resources?



You can find links to these resources and even more at –

https://ovc.ojp.gov





## **Questions?**