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Standing Announcement for Family Violence Prevention and Services/ Grants to North Carolina Domestic Violence Shelter and Prevention Programs

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Application Due Date: December 14, 2026

Family Violence Prevention and Services Act
Notice of Grant Funding Opportunity FY2026-2027
Family Violence Prevention and Services Domestic Violence Shelter and Supportive Services

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1. Program Overview and Funding Opportunity

1.1 PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The North Carolina Department of Administration Division for Women and Youth (hereinafter the "DW&Y") has received $4,136,423.00 in non-discretionary formula grants under the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA). These funds are intended to (1) assist states in efforts to increase public awareness about, and primary and secondary prevention of, family violence, domestic violence, and dating violence; and (2) assist states in efforts to provide immediate shelter and supportive services for victims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, and their dependents (42 U.S.C. § 10401(b)(1)-(2)).

Through this funding opportunity DW&Y is soliciting applications for competitive funding under the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act/Domestic Violence Shelter and Supportive Services Grant Program to Support Survivors of Domestic Violence (hereinafter referred to as "FVPSA CORE") from eligible organizations to implement projects that align with the program's objectives and address identified needs across North Carolina.

Applications will be evaluated through a competitive review process based on established eligibility requirements and program priorities. Funding awards will be contingent upon the availability of funds and successful completion of the application review and award process.

1.2 PROGRAM SCOPE

The Division for Women and Youth (DW&Y) seeks to strengthen and expand domestic violence services across North Carolina by providing competitive funding to eligible government entities, nonprofit organizations, and tribal organizations.

Activities supported by this program are determined by state and federal statutes and federal regulations. If an applicant receives an award, the funded project is bound by the provisions of this solicitation, all applicable award conditions, and Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)-specific implementing regulations. Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for HHS Awards are codified at 45 CFR§ 1370.20(a) All FVPSA grants from DW&Y are **reimbursement** grants. Reimbursement reports are submitted monthly.

1.3 PURPOSE AREAS
The purpose of the grant:

1) to confirm the federal commitment to reducing domestic violence; 2) to urge states, localities, cities, and the private sector to improve the responses to and the prevention of domestic violence, and encourage stakeholders and service providers to plan toward an integrated service delivery approach that meets the needs of all victims, including those in underserved communities; 3) to provide for technical assistance and training relating to domestic violence programs; and 4) to increase public awareness about and prevention of domestic violence and increase the quality and availability of shelter and supportive services for victims of domestic violence and their dependents 45 CFR § 1370.20(a). This announcement sets forth the application requirements, the application process, and other administrative and fiscal requirements for grants in fiscal year (FY) 2026.

STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1.4 PRIORITY AREA
Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 10407(a)(2)(B)(iii), the state will give special emphasis to the support of community-based projects of demonstrated effectiveness that are carried out by nonprofit private organizations and that have as their primary purpose the operation of shelters for victims of family violence, domestic violence, and dating violence, and their dependents; or provide counseling, advocacy, and self-help services to victims of family violence, domestic violence, and dating violence, and their dependents.

2. APPLICATION TIMELINE AND ELIGIBILITY

2.1 Application Timeline and Important Dates
The application is due in EBS by 11:59 pm December 14, 2026
Application review period is December 15, 2026 – January 30, 2027
Applicants notified of award decision by February 28, 2027

2.2 ELIGIBILITY

Eligible entities include government agencies or nonprofit private organizations (including faith-based and charitable organizations, community-based organizations, tribal organizations, and voluntary associations) that assist victims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, and their dependents, and that have a documented history of effective work concerning family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence.

An entity may apply, but will not be eligible for a grant until the entity has prequalified through a series of threshold requirements including:

1. All organizations must have an Unique Entity Identifier (UEI). The UEI is a 12-character alphanumeric value, and it is managed, granted, and owned by the government. UEIs are generated directly in SAM.gov.
2. The organization must have been in existence for at least five years. A non-profit organization must be a 501(c)(3) in good standing and not have any current revocations.
3. All eligible organizations must have at least a three-year history of working to increase public awareness about, and primary and secondary prevention of, family violence, domestic violence, and dating violence; or offer immediate shelter and supportive services for victims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, and their dependents in the State of North Carolina.

2.3 Project Period

The period of grant performance is:

- December 1, 2026 – September 30, 2027, for Year 1
- December 1, 2027 – September 30, 2028, for Year 2, but pre-award costs for Year 2 will be allowed if incurred during the months of October or November 2027

YEAR 1: All outstanding expenses must be paid, and the Final Reimbursement Report must be submitted via EBS within 30 days of the project end date of September 30, 2027, for Year 1. October 30, 2027, is the deadline for submission of the Final Reimbursement Report for Year 1.

YEAR 2: All outstanding expenses must be paid, and the Final Reimbursement Report must be submitted via EBS within 30 days of the project end date of September 30, 2028, for Year 2. October 30, 2028, is the deadline for submission of the Final Reimbursement Report for Year 2.

Year 2 funding is contingent upon the satisfactory completion of Year 1. Determination made by fully utilizing grant award amount, fulfilling match amount, program implementation, timely submission of the PPR and accurately and overall grant performance during Year 1.

3. APPLICATION PROCESS AND INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 HOW to APPLY

Applicants are required to submit application documents related to the funding. Visit the Division of Women and Youth's website page to access the application. Application documents consist of the project narrative/scope of work and a budget; completed applications and all required documentation are to be submitted through Enterprise Business Services (EBS) no later than 11:59 pm (EST) on **Monday, December 14, 2026**

EBS is the grant management system used by DW&Y. Applicants must register and create a Grantee Profile if they do not already have an existing Profile. Please visit the DW&Y website to access instructions.

3.2 GRANT APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Applications and complete budget must be received in the grants management system (EBS) by December 14, 2026. When in EBS, select the program **"FFY 26-27 SHELTER"** if you're applying for the Supportive Services and Immediate Shelter program or **"FFY 26-27 PREVENTION"** if you're applying for the Supportive Services and Prevention program. Then click the **"Create an Actual Budget"** button to upload this "Application Form" and submit an Actual Budget.

3.3APPLICATION REVIEW AND SELECTION PROCESS

DW&Y staff will review all applications based on the following criteria:

- The completeness of the grant application including the project description and purpose, the sustainability plan and the applicant's history of working with those impacted by domestic violence and intimate partner violence.
- Whether the grant application is within the purpose areas of the funding;
- The applicant's eligibility.
- Whether the grant application, the applicant, and the project are in compliance with all federal and state laws, regulations, and rules.
- Whether the proposed expenditures set forth in the project budget are allowable and allocable.
- Whether the applicant has any federal and/or state debt delinquency.
- Any and all risks associated with granting funds to the applicant.
- Whether the applicant is debarred or suspended by any federal or state department or agency.
- Whether the applicant maintains a current registration in SAM and has an active UEI.

3.4 GRANT AWARD AND NOTIFICATION PROCESS

The FVPSA program requires that DW&Y award a percentage of funds to Shelter Programs and another percentage to Prevention Programs.

- **Shelter Programs** - Not less than 70% of the total funds awarded must be to programs whose primary purpose is to provide immediate shelter and supportive services to adult and youth victims of domestic violence.

- **Prevention Programs** - Not less than 25% of the total funds awarded must be to programs whose primary purpose is to provide supportive services and prevention services.

DW&Y plans to award a total of 61 FVPSA CORE grants through the competitive application process. The grant awards are for a twenty-month period.

50 grant awards are designated for Shelter Programs.

- Award amount Year 1: $57,909.92 per shelter agency.
- Award amount Year 2: funding amount is contingent on the availability of FVPSA funding. Additionally, the subgrantee must remain in compliance with reporting requirements (timely

submission for PPR and reimbursement) and fiscal compliance. The organization must also submit a Year 2 budget for approval. A due date for the Year 2 budget will be provided later. A second application will not be required unless there is a change of program scope.

One grant award is designated for the Statewide Coalition

- Award amount Year 1: $105,000 NCCADV Allocation
- Award amount Year 2: funding amount is contingent on the availability of FVPSA funding. Subgrantee must remain in compliance with reporting requirements (timely submission for PPR and reimbursement) and fiscal compliance. The organization must also submit a Year 2 budget for approval. A due date for the Year 2 budget will be provided later. A second application will not be required unless there is a change of program scope.

Ten grant awards are designated for Prevention Programs.

- Award amount Year 1: $ $92,910.58 per prevention agency.
- Award amount Year 2: funding amount is contingent on the availability of FVPSA funding. Subgrantee must remain in compliance with reporting requirements (timely submission for PPR and reimbursement) and fiscal compliance. The organization must also submit a Year 2 budget for approval. A due date for the Year 2 budget will be provided later. A second application will not be required unless there is a change of program scope.

4. PROGRAM ACTIVITIES AND REQUIREMENYTS

CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

All applicants awarded funding from DW&Y must agree to:

1. Enter into a Grant Agreement between DW&Y and the applicant agency and agree to abide by all provisions of the Grant Agreement.
2. Enter into agreement to abide by all Special Conditions detailed in the Certified Assurances and Special Conditions.
3. Submit all reports in the prescribed format and time frames determined by DW&Y.
4. Cooperate with monitoring and site visits from DW&Y when deemed necessary by DW&Y.
5. Comply with federal guidelines contained within 45 C.F.R.

ALLOWABLE ACTIVITIES AND COSTS

Personnel, employee benefits, cost of supplies, and travel to perform the following activities are allowable costs:

• Prevention services such as outreach, healthy relationship education, teen dating violence prevention, school-based violence prevention, Domestic violence awareness campaigns, community workshops, educational outreach about available services.

• Counseling with respect to family violence, counseling or other supportive services provided by peers, either individually or in groups, and referral to community social services.

• Safety plan development and supporting the efforts of victims to make decisions related to their ongoing safety and well-being.

• Culturally and linguistically appropriate services.

• Technical assistance for victims with respect to obtaining financial assistance under Federal and State programs.

• Housing advocacy to assist domestic violence survivors in locating and securing safe and affordable permanent
housing and homeless prevention services.
• Medical advocacy, including referrals for healthcare services (including mental health, alcohol, and drug abuse treatment), but shall not include reimbursement for any healthcare services.
• Legal advocacy to provide victims with information and assistance through the civil and criminal courts, and legal assistance.
• Children's counseling and support services, and childcare services for children who are victims of family violence of the dependents of such victims, and children who witness domestic violence.

The following costs are allowable for shelters who provide emergency housing to victims:
• Operating expenses (rent, utilities, etc.) of the facilities for a domestic violence shelter at a prorated amount.
• Supplies for a shelter including food, clothing, and toiletries.

The following costs are allowable for the purpose of preventing future incidence of violence:
• Transportation, including public transportation, ride share, car repairs, or gas cards.
• Temporary refuge for emergency and immediate shelter including safe homes, rental subsidies, utilities and hotel vouchers. This does not include transitional or permanent housing.

Contractors and Consultants:
When a grant recipient contracts for work or services, the following is required:
1. All contractual services must be obtained through a procurement method. Verification of this method must be supplied upon completion of contract.
2. All consultant and contractual services shall be supported by written contracts signed by all parties stating the services to be performed, rate of compensation, and length of time over which the services will be provided.
3. A copy of all written contracts for contractual or consultant services shall be attached in EBS to the grant file upon their ratification.
4. Payments shall be supported by statements outlining the services rendered, date of Service and cost of service.
Any consultant costs exceeding the allowable rate (maximum of $81.25 per hour or $650 per day) will not be allowed.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS CONFIDENTIALITY

(a) In order to ensure the safety of adult, youth, and child victims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, and their families, grantees and subgrantees under FVPSA shall protect the

confidentiality and privacy of such victims and their families. Subject to paragraphs (c), (d), and (e) of this section, grantees and subgrantees shall not—

(1) Disclose any personally identifying information (as defined in § 1370.2) collected in connection with services requested (including services utilized or denied) through grantees' and subgrantees' programs;

(2) Reveal any personally identifying information without informed, written, reasonably time-limited consent by the person about whom information is sought, whether for this program or any other Federal, Tribal or State grant program, including but not limited to whether to comply with Federal, Tribal, or State reporting, evaluation, or data collection requirements; or

(3) Require an adult, youth, or child victim of family violence, domestic violence, and dating violence to provide a consent to release his or her personally identifying information as a condition of eligibility for the services provided by the grantee or subgrantee.

(b) Consent shall be given by the person, except in the case of an unemancipated minor it shall be given by both the minor and the minor's parent or guardian; or in the case of an individual with a guardian it shall be given by the individual's guardian. A parent or guardian may not give consent if: he or she is the abuser or suspected abuser of the minor or individual with a guardian; or, the abuser or suspected abuser of the other parent of the minor. If a minor or a person with a legally appointed guardian is permitted by law to receive services without the parent's or guardian's consent, the minor or person with a guardian may release information without additional consent. Reasonable accommodations shall also be made for those who may be unable, due to disability or other functional limitation, to provide consent in writing.

(c) If the release of information described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section is compelled by statutory or court mandate:

(1) Grantees and sub-grantees shall make reasonable attempts to provide notice to victims affected by the release of the information; and

(2) Grantees and subgrantees shall take steps necessary to protect the privacy and safety of the persons affected by the release of the information.

(d) Grantees and subgrantees may share:

(1) Non-personally identifying information, in the aggregate, regarding services to their clients and demographic non-personally identifying information in order to comply with Federal, State, or Tribal reporting, evaluation, or data collection requirements;

(2) Court-generated information and law enforcement-generated information contained in secure, governmental registries for protective order enforcement purposes; and

(3) Law enforcement- and prosecution-generated information necessary for law enforcement and prosecution purposes.

(4) Personally identifying information may be shared with a health care provider or payer, but only with the informed, written, reasonably time-limited consent of the person about whom such information is sought.

(e) Nothing in this section prohibits a grantee or subgrantee, where mandated or expressly permitted by the State or Indian Tribe, from reporting abuse and neglect, as those terms are defined by law, or from reporting imminent risk of serious bodily injury or death of the victim or another person.

(f) Nothing in this section shall be construed to supersede any provision of any Federal, State, Tribal, or local law that provides greater protection than this section for victims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence.

(g) The address or location of any shelter facility assisted that maintains a confidential location shall, except with written authorization of the person or persons responsible for the operation of such shelter, not be made public.

(1) Shelters which choose to remain confidential pursuant to this rule must develop and maintain systems and protocols to remain secure, which must include policies to respond to disruptive or dangerous contact from abusers, and

(2) Tribal governments, while exercising due diligence to comply with statutory provisions and this rule, may determine how best to maintain the safety and confidentiality of shelter locations.

TRAUMA-INFORMED PRACTICES AND INTERVENTIONS

Effective interventions and trauma-informed practices need to be in place to build skills and capacities that contribute to the healthy, positive, and productive functioning of individuals and families. An important component of promoting social and emotional well-being includes addressing the impact of trauma, which can have a profound effect on the overall functioning of victims of family violence, domestic violence, dating violence, and their dependents.

ACCESSIBILITY

To comply with federal law, services must be widely accessible to all victims of family violence, domestic violence and dating violence, and their dependents. Subgrantees must not discriminate on the basis of age, sex, disability, race, color, national origin, or religion (42 U.S.C. § 10406(c)(2)).

- *Sex or Gender Identity:* No person shall, on the ground of actual or perceived sex, including gender identity, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under, any program or activity funded in whole or in part through FVPSA. FVPSA grantees and subgrantees must provide comparable services to victims regardless of actual or perceived sex, including gender identity. This includes providing access to services for all victims, including male victims of family, domestic, and dating violence and not limiting services for victims with adolescent children (under the age of 18). Victims and their minor children must be sheltered or housed together unless requested otherwise by the victim. 45 CFR § 1370.5(a).

- *Sexual Orientation:* No person shall on the ground of actual or perceived sexual orientation be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under, any program or activity funded in whole or in part through FVPSA. 45 CFR § 1370.5(c).

- *Disability:* An individual with a disability shall not, solely by reason of her or his disability, be excluded from the participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance or under any program or activity conducted by an Executive agency. 29 U.S.C. 794(a).

- *Religious Freedom:* Programs shall not, in providing services, discriminate against a program beneficiary or prospective program beneficiary on the basis of religion, a religious belief, a refusal to hold a religious belief, or a refusal to attend or participate in a religious practice. 45 CFR § 1370.5(b).

- *Limited English Proficiency:* Subgrantees are required to take reasonable steps to provide services to persons with limited English proficiency (i.e., individuals who do not speak English as their primary language and who have a limited ability to read, write, speak, or understand English, including Deaf and hard of hearing persons).

- *Immigration Status:* All FVPSA-funded services must be provided without requiring documentation of immigration status since FVPSA-funded services do not fall within the definition of federal public benefit that would require verification of immigration status. 45 CFR § 1370.5(d).

- *Human Trafficking:* FVPSA-funded programs are strongly encouraged to safely screen for and identity victims of human trafficking who are also victims or survivors of domestic violence or dating violence and to provide services that support their unique needs. 45 CFR § 1370.10(d).

- *Voluntary Services:* Services must be provided on a voluntary basis, and no condition may be applied for the receipt of emergency shelter. 42 U.S.C. § 10408(d)(2).

- *Inappropriate Screening:* Subgrantees cannot impose conditions for admission to shelter by applying inappropriate screening methods, such as criminal background checks, sobriety requirements, requirements to obtain specific legal remedies, or mental health or substance use disorder screenings. 45 CFR § 1370.10(b)(10).

- *Income:* Services and resources supported by FVPSA cannot have any income eligibility requirements imposed upon individuals seeking to access those services and resources. FVPSA funded programs also cannot charge fees for the services provided.

4. BACKGROUND CHECKS

Subgrantees are required to perform background checks on all employees and volunteers who work directly with victims/survivors biennially. At a minimum, agencies should complete background checks through the local police department or background check company.

ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS

Administrative costs are an allowable expense but are limited to 15% of the total grant funded budget. Administrative costs include time to complete FVPSA required time and attendance sheets and programmatic documentation, reports, and required statistics; and administrative time to collect and maintain satisfaction surveys and needs assessments used to improve services delivery within the FVPSA funded project.

INELIGIBLE BUDGET ITEMS

The budget items listed below are ineligible and will not be supported by this program's funding:

- Direct financial assistance to a client such as cash, gift cards, or checks.
- Moving costs for victims.
- Food and beverages except emergency food and beverages for victims.
- Lobbying.
- Fundraising (including financial campaigns, endowment drives, solicitation of gifts and bequests, and similar expenses incurred solely to raise capital or obtain contributions) and time spent procuring funding (including completing federal and state funding applications).
- Purchase of real estate.
- Construction.
- Overtime is allowed, but to claim the increased rate, there must be a separate line item in the budget that includes the overtime rate of pay.

CONTRACTORS & CONSULTANTS

When a subrecipient contracts for work or services, the following is required:

1. All contractual services must be obtained through a procurement method. Verification of this method must be supplied upon completion of contract.
2. All consultant and contractual services must be supported by written contracts signed by all parties stating the services to be performed, rate of compensation, and length of time over which the services will be provided.
3. A copy of all written contracts for contractual or consultant services must be uploaded in the "Attachments" section of the grant application in EBS upon their execution.
4. Payments must be supported by statements outlining the services rendered, date of service, and cost of service.
5. Any consultant costs exceeding the maximum allowable rate (maximum of $81.25 per hour or $650 per day) will not be allowed.

INDIRECT COSTS

Indirect costs are costs of an organization that are not readily assignable to a particular project but are necessary to the operation of the organization and the performance of the project. Indirect costs are those that benefit more than one activity and are common or joint purpose costs.

Requesting indirect costs is optional. Applicants do not have to request indirect costs, but it is allowable. To calculate indirect costs, applicants must first determine the Modified Total Direct Costs (MTDC) amount of the project budget. Indirect costs that can be requested are not based on the entire project budget, but on the MTDC amount.

Applicants have two options when requesting Indirect Costs: 1) using a formal Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (ICRA); or 2) using a de minimis rate. These two options are outlined below.

1. **Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (ICRA)**

This is a formal rate agreement that an organization has applied for and received from the federal cognizant agency. Organizations will have a letter or other documentation that lists the federally negotiated rate. The rate in the ICRA must be accepted, unless otherwise specified by the federal awarding agency.

Applicants can request the percentage (as outlined in the ICRA) of the MTDC of their budget for indirect costs. If the applicant has an ICRA, the approved agreement must be uploaded in the "Attachment" section of the application in EBS.

2. **De Minimis Rate**

This can be used by organizations that have never had a federally approved Indirect Cost Rate Agreement. Under this approach, subgrantees can use a rate of up to 15% of the MTDC of their budget for indirect costs.

If an applicant elects to use the *de minimis* rate of 15% of MTDC, then it must provide a list of indirect costs, and the calculation used to determine the amount charged. If an applicant elects to include indirect costs in their proposed grant budget, this election must be included in the Budget Narrative section of the application.

MATCH REQUIREMENT

Matching or cost sharing means the portion of the project costs not paid by federal funds. Match is typically stated as a percentage of the total project costs for an award.

Grants awarded through the FVPSA program are subject to the matching requirements in 42 U.S.C. § 10406(c)(4). No grant shall be made to any entity other than a State or Tribe unless the entity agrees that, with respect to the cost to be incurred by the entity in carrying out the program or project for which the grant is awarded, the entity will make available (directly or through donations from public or private entities) non-federal contributions in an amount that is not less than $1 for every $5 of federal funds provided under the grant or 20% of the project cost. The non-federal contributions required may be in cash or in kind.

Additionally, per 2 CFR 200.306(b), matching funds must be: verifiable from the subgrantee's records; not included as contributions for any other federal award; necessary and reasonable for the accomplishment of the project or program objectives; allowable under subpart E; not paid by the federal government under another federal award, except where authorized by federal statute; included in the subgrantee's approved budget; and conform to all other provisions of 2 C.F.R. Part 200.

TRAVEL COSTS

Expenses and reimbursements for in-state and out-of-state travel must follow the most current federal travel policy or the subrecipient's travel policy, whichever is more restrictive.

PROGRAM COSTS

Costs must meet the following criteria:

1. Costs must be in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.
2. Costs must conform to any limitations or exclusions set forth in 45 C.F.R. Part 75 or the FVPSA Grant Program Requirements.

3. Costs must be consistent with policies and procedures of the FVPSA grant program and applied uniformly.
4. Costs must be adequately documented with supporting materials including receipts, invoices, timesheets, paystubs, etc.

SUPPLANTING
Federal funds must be used to supplement existing funds for program activities and cannot replace or supplant non-federal funds that have been appropriated for the same purpose. Supplanting occurs when a state, local, or tribal government reduces state, local, or tribal funds for an activity specifically because federal funds are available (or expected to be available) to fund that same activity.

MONITORING
All grant awards will be monitored by a CFWYI FVPSA Compliance Monitoring team using a combination of desk reviews and site visits. Additionally, the FVPSA team will review all submitted reports for timeliness and accuracy. Delinquencies and report contents will be addressed as needed by staff. Late and repeated incorrect reports could disqualify subrecipients from future funding.

AUDIT REQUIREMENTS
Pursuant to 45 C.F.R. Part 75, specifically, § 200.500 *et seq.*, recipients of federal funds are subject to annual audit requirements.

- *Audit required*: A non-federal entity that expends $1,000,000 or more during the non-Federal entity's fiscal year in Federal awards must have a single or program-specific audit conducted for that year in accordance with the provisions of this part. § 200.501(a).

- *Single audit*: A non-federal entity that expends $1,000,000 or more during the non-Federal entity's fiscal year in Federal awards must have a single audit conducted in accordance with § 200.514 except when it elects to have a program-specific audit conducted in accordance with paragraph (c) of this section. § 200.501(b).

- *Program-specific audit election*: When an entity expends Federal awards under only one Federal program (excluding research and development) and the Federal program's statutes or regulations, or the terms and conditions of the Federal award, do not require a financial statement audit of the entity, the entity may elect to have a program-specific audit conducted in accordance with § 200.507. § 200.501(c).

- *Exemption when federal awards expended are less than $1,000,000:* A non-federal entity that expends less than $1,000,000 during the non-Federal entity's fiscal year in Federal awards is exempt from Federal audit requirements for that year, except as noted in § 200.503 (Relation to other audit requirements), but records must be available for review or audit by appropriate officials. § 200.501(e).

DEFINITIONS
For the purposes of this part:

Dating violence means violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim and where the existence of such a relationship shall be

determined based on a consideration of the following factors: The length of the relationship, the type of relationship, and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship. This part of the definition reflects the definition also found in Section 40002(a) of VAWA (as amended), 42 U.S.C. 13925(a), as required by FVPSA. Dating violence also includes but is not limited to the physical, sexual, psychological, or emotional violence within a dating relationship, including stalking. It can happen in person or electronically, and may involve financial abuse or other forms of manipulation which may occur between a current or former dating partner regardless of actual or perceived sexual orientation or gender identity.

Domestic violence means felony or misdemeanor crimes of violence committed by a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim, by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common, by a person who is cohabitating with or has cohabitated with the victim as a spouse or intimate partner, by a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction receiving grant monies, or by any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction. This definition also reflects the statutory definition of “domestic violence” found in Section 40002(a) of VAWA (as amended), 42 U.S.C. 13925(a). This definition also includes but is not limited to criminal or non-criminal acts constituting intimidation, control, coercion and coercive control, emotional and psychological abuse and behavior, expressive and psychological aggression, financial abuse, harassment, tormenting behavior, disturbing or alarming behavior, and additional acts recognized in other Federal, Tribal State, and local laws as well as acts in other Federal regulatory or sub-regulatory guidance. This definition is not intended to be interpreted more restrictively than FVPSA and VAWA but rather to be inclusive of other, more expansive definitions. The definition applies to individuals and relationships regardless of actual or perceived sexual orientation or gender identity.

Family violence means any act or threatened act of violence, including any forceful detention of an individual, that results or threatens to result in physical injury and is committed by a person against another individual, to or with whom such person is related by blood or marriage, or is or was otherwise legally related, or is or was lawfully residing.

Personally identifying information (PII) or personal information is individually identifying information for or about an individual including information likely to disclose the location of a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, regardless of whether the information is encoded, encrypted, hashed, or otherwise protected, including, a first and last name; a home or other physical address; contact information (including a postal, email or Internet protocol address, or telephone or facsimile number); a social security number, driver license number, passport number, or student identification number; and any other information, including date of birth, racial or ethnic background, or religious affiliation, that would serve to identify any individual.

Primary prevention means strategies, policies, and programs to stop both first-time perpetration and first-time victimization. Primary prevention is stopping domestic and dating violence before they occur. Primary prevention includes, but is not limited to: School-based violence prevention curricula, programs aimed at mitigating the effects on children of witnessing domestic or dating violence,

community campaigns designed to alter norms and values conducive to domestic or dating violence, worksite prevention programs, and training and education in parenting skills and self-esteem enhancement.

Primary-purpose domestic violence service provider, for the term only as it appears in the definition of State Domestic Violence Coalition, means an entity that operates a project of demonstrated effectiveness carried out by a nonprofit, nongovernmental, private entity, Tribe, or Tribal organization, that has as its project's primary-purpose the operation of shelters and supportive services for victims of domestic violence and their dependents; or has as its project's primary purpose counseling, advocacy, or self-help services to victims of domestic violence. Territorial Domestic Violence Coalitions may include government-operated domestic violence projects as primary-purpose domestic violence service providers for complying with the membership requirement, provided that Territorial Coalitions can document providing training, technical assistance, and capacity-building of community-based and privately operated projects to provide shelter and supportive services to victims of family, domestic, or dating violence, with the intention of recruiting such projects as members once they are sustainable as primary-purpose domestic violence service providers.

Secondary prevention is identifying risk factors or problems that may lead to future family, domestic, or dating violence, and taking the necessary actions to eliminate the risk factors and the potential problem, and may include, but are not limited to, healing services for children and youth who have been exposed to domestic or dating violence, home visiting programs for high-risk families, and screening programs in health care settings.

Shelter means the provision of temporary refuge in conjunction with supportive services in compliance with applicable State or Tribal law or regulations governing the provision, on a regular basis, of shelter, safe homes, meals, and supportive services to victims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, and their dependents. State and Tribal law governing the provision of shelter and supportive services on a regular basis is interpreted by ACF to mean, for example, the laws and regulations applicable to zoning, fire safety, and other regular safety, and operational requirements, including State, Tribal, or local regulatory standards for certifying domestic violence advocates who work in shelter. This definition also includes emergency shelter and immediate shelter, which may include housing provision, rental subsidies, temporary refuge, or lodging in properties that could be individual units for families and individuals (such as apartments) in multiple locations around a local jurisdiction, Tribe/reservation, or State; such properties are not required to be owned, operated, or leased by the program. Temporary refuge includes a residential service, including shelter and off-site services such as hotel or motel vouchers or individual dwellings, which is not transitional or permanent housing, but must also provide comprehensive supportive services. The mere act of making a referral to shelter or housing shall not itself be considered provision of shelter. Should other jurisdictional laws conflict with this definition of temporary refuge, the definition which provides more expansive housing accessibility governs.

State means each of the several States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and, except as otherwise provided in statute, Guam, American Samoa, the United States Virgin Islands, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

State Domestic Violence Coalition means a Statewide, nongovernmental, nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization whose membership includes a majority of the primary-purpose domestic violence service providers in the State; whose board membership is representative of these primary-purpose domestic violence service providers and which may include representatives of the communities in which the services are being provided in the State; that has as its purpose to provide education, support, and technical assistance to such service providers to enable the providers to establish and maintain supportive services and to provide shelter to victims of domestic violence and their children; and that serves as an information clearinghouse, primary point of contact, and resource center on domestic violence for the State and supports the development of policies, protocols and procedures to enhance domestic violence intervention and prevention in the State/Territory.

Supportive services means services for adult and youth victims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, and their dependents that are designed to meet the needs of such victims and their dependents for short-term, transitional, or long-term safety and recovery. Supportive services include, but are not limited to: Direct and/or referral-based advocacy on behalf of victims and their dependents, counseling, case management, employment services, referrals, transportation services, legal advocacy or assistance, child care services, health, behavioral health and preventive health services, culturally and linguistically appropriate services, and other services that assist victims or their dependents in recovering from the effects of the violence. To the extent not already described in this definition, supportive services also include but are not limited to other services identified in FVPSA at 42 U.S.C. 10408(b)(1)(A)-(H). Supportive services may be directly provided by grantees and/or by providing advocacy or referrals to assist victims in accessing such services.

Underserved populations means populations who face barriers in accessing and using victim services, and includes populations underserved because of geographic location, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, underserved racial and ethnic populations, and populations underserved because of special needs including language barriers, disabilities, immigration status, and age. Individuals with criminal histories due to victimization and individuals with substance use disorders and mental health issues are also included in this definition. The reference to racial and ethnic populations is primarily directed toward racial and ethnic minority groups (as defined in section 1707(g) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300(u-6)(g)), which means American Indians (including Alaska Natives, Eskimos, and Aleuts); Asian American; Native Hawaiians and other Pacific Islanders; Blacks and Hispanics. The term “Hispanic” or “Latino” means individuals whose origin is Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or any other Spanish-speaking country. This underserved populations' definition also includes other population categories determined by the Secretary or the Secretary's designee to be underserved.