

OVC FY 2026 Housing Assistance for Victims of Human Trafficking

Grants.gov Funding Opportunity Number: O-OVC-2026-172692

Application Deadlines in Eastern Time (ET):

1. Complete SF-424 and Submit in Grants.gov: **September 28, 2026, by 11:59 p.m. ET**
 2. Submit full application in JustGrants: **October 5, 2026, by 8:59 p.m. ET**
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1. BASIC INFORMATION

Purpose of the Funding

The Office of Justice Programs (OJP) is committed to advancing work that furthers the U.S. Department of Justice's (DOJ) mission to keep our country safe and secure and uphold the rule of law and protect the rights of American citizens. OJP provides federal leadership, funding, and other critical resources to directly support law enforcement, combat violent crime, protect American children, provide services to American crime victims, and address public safety challenges, including human trafficking and the opioid crisis.

This is a notice of funding opportunity (NOFO) for the **OVC FY 2026 Housing Assistance for Victims of Human Trafficking**. This opportunity will fund organizations that provide housing and associated support services to victims of human trafficking as defined by 22 U.S.C. § 7102(11). The primary focus of this program is to provide rapid rehousing (i.e., transitional housing and supportive services that assist human trafficking victims in moving as quickly as possible into permanent housing and achieving stability).

Under this program, transitional housing refers to both transitional housing assistance and short-term housing assistance, which are defined as follows:

- Transitional housing assistance is temporary housing offered for at least 6 months and no more than 24 months that helps victims transition into permanent housing. Transitional housing is not an extended shelter stay.
- Short-term housing assistance is rental assistance and/or other financial assistance (e.g., security deposits, utility assistance, relocation costs) offered for at least 6 months and no more than 24 months that helps victims transition into permanent housing. Short-term housing assistance is not emergency shelter, rental assistance offered for less than 6 months, or financial assistance for victims not provided with housing.

Projects under this program must be used for one or more of the following purposes:

- Transitional housing, including funding for the operating expenses of a newly developed or existing transitional housing program.
- Short-term housing assistance, including rental or utilities payment assistance and assistance with related expenses, such as payment of security deposits and other costs incidental to relocation to transitional housing.

In addition to providing transitional housing, projects must also include support services designed to enable victims of human trafficking and any dependents to—

- Locate and secure permanent housing;

- Secure employment, including obtaining employment counseling, occupational training, job retention counseling, and counseling to reenter the workforce; and
- Integrate into a community by providing victims and dependents with services, such as transportation, counseling, childcare services, case management, and other assistance. Participation in the support services is voluntary.

The majority of funds must be allocated for housing services; however, applicants are also expected to dedicate project funds to other services that will assist victims and eligible family members in securing permanent housing. Examples of supportive services include, but are not limited to, case management, mental health and substance use treatment services, employment, and education services. See Appendix A for the types of services OVC funds.

- Provision of supportive services is limited to individuals receiving housing assistance under this NOFO and their eligible family members.
- For some victims and in some housing markets, the short-term use of emergency shelter or crisis housing may be required to facilitate access to long-term, sustainable housing. If the applicant proposes a project involving some level of emergency shelter or crisis housing, the applicant must work with victims to identify longer-term housing as soon as it is safe and feasible for the victim (while also providing necessary case management and support services).
- While a portion of funds allocated may be used for emergency shelter or crisis housing, applications focused primarily on those services are out of scope for this NOFO and may be excluded from peer review consideration. See Appendix B for definitions and background on housing services.

Input From Survivors of Human Trafficking

OVC encourages applicants to propose and implement ongoing engagement with individuals who have survived human trafficking to inform their programming.

Program Requirements

Applicants that receive funding under this program will be required to—

1. Comply with 22 U.S.C. § 7115, requiring award recipients under this program to have or implement privacy and confidentiality policies and procedures that conform with the requirements of 34 U.S.C. § 12291(b)(2). Section 12291(b)(2) specifies the confidentiality and privacy condition applicable to awards under the Violence Against Women Act of 1994, commonly referred to as the “VAWA Confidentiality Provision.” For the purposes of this OVC program, the phrase “under this subchapter” in the VAWA Confidentiality Provision shall be understood as referring to “this OVC program.” Applicants that do not already have policies and procedures that comply with the VAWA Confidentiality Provision may propose to use award funds to develop these.

2. Ensure that any staff, partner staff, or service providers working with trafficking victims are licensed and trained to work with such victims.
3. Ensure that the project coordinator/program director and other relevant staff participate in any grantee orientations.
4. Offer referrals to support services for trafficking victims who secure permanent housing. Support services for clients who transition into permanent housing are limited to advocacy, support groups, case management, and minimal financial assistance.

Information on Managing Human Trafficking Awards

For more information on implementation of OVC Human Trafficking awards, please consult the [OVC Human Trafficking Program FAQs](#).

See the [Eligible Applicants](#) section for eligibility details.

Funding Details

Announcement Type	Initial
Assistance Listing Number	16.320
Statutory Authority	22 U.S.C. § 7105(b)(2)
Grants.gov Opportunity Number	O-OVC-2026-172692
Expected Total Amount of Funding	\$16,800,000
Anticipated Number of Awards	17
Award Type(s)	Grant
Anticipated Award Amount	Up to \$1,200,000
Expected Award Period(s)	36 months starting on January 1, 2027

Key Dates and Times

NOFO Release Date	August 19, 2026
SAM.gov Registration/Renewal	Begin the process as soon as possible, and no later than September 14, 2026
Step 1: Grants.gov Deadline	11:59 p.m. ET on September 28, 2026
Step 2: JustGrants Deadline	8:59 p.m. ET on October 5, 2026

See [Questions?](#) at the end of this NOFO for agency contact information.

2. ELIGIBILITY

Eligible Applicants

The types of entities that are eligible to apply are:

Government Entities

- State governments
- County governments
- City or township governments
- Native American Tribal governments (federally recognized)
- Native American Tribal governments (other than federally recognized)

Educational Organizations

- Public and state-controlled institutions of higher education

Public Housing Organizations

- Public housing authorities
- Indian housing authorities

Nonprofit Organizations

- Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), other than institutions of higher education

Other

- Other units of local government

“Other” Entities Definition:

- **Other Units of Local Government:** For the purposes of this notice of funding opportunity, other units of local government include towns, boroughs, parishes, villages, or other general purpose political subdivisions of a state.

Cost Sharing (Match) Requirement: This NOFO requires cost sharing (match). See [Program Description: Cost Sharing \(Match\) Requirement](#) for details on the cost sharing (match) calculation and what types of contributions are acceptable. If your application does not include the required cost sharing, it will be deemed ineligible for funding.

Limit on Number of Applications:

You may submit more than one application if each application proposes a different project in a different geographic area. If a project will be carried out by two or more entities (project partners), only one entity may submit the application. The other entities (project partners) must be proposed as subrecipients rather than co-applicants. An entity may be proposed as a subrecipient in more than one application. For additional information regarding subawards, see the [Application Resource Guide](#).

Additional Eligibility Factors

Nonprofit organizations that hold money in offshore accounts for the purpose of avoiding paying the tax described in 26 U.S.C. § 511(a) are not eligible to apply.

3. PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Statutory Authority

22 U.S.C. § 7105(b)(2)

Agency Funding Priorities

To help meet its mission, OJP may give priority consideration to applications proposing (as applicable within the scope of this NOFO) projects designed to advance the goals listed below:

- (a) Directly supporting law enforcement operations (including immigration law enforcement operations);
- (b) Combatting violent crime;
- (c) Supporting services to American citizens;
- (d) Protecting American children; and
- (e) Supporting American victims of trafficking and sexual assault.

Note: Addressing these priorities is one of many factors that OJP considers in making funding decisions. Receiving priority consideration does not guarantee funding.

Unallowable Activities: The following are certain unallowable costs and certain activities that are out of the program scope and will not be funded.

1. Out of program scope is any program or activity, at any tier that, directly or indirectly, violates (or promotes or facilitates the violation of) federal immigration law (including 8 U.S.C. § 1373) or impedes or hinders the enforcement of federal immigration law—including by failing to comply with 8 U.S.C. § 1373, give access to DHS agents, or honor DHS requests and provide requested notice to DHS agents.
2. Out of program scope is any program or activity, at any tier that violates any applicable Federal civil rights or nondiscrimination law. This includes violations that (1) indirectly violate the law, including by promoting or facilitating violations; or (2) unlawfully favor individuals in any race or protected group, including on a majority or minority, or privileged or unprivileged, basis, within a given area, population, or sector.
3. As specified in the [DOJ Grants Financial Guide](#), in Chapter 3.13 “Unallowable Costs” (“Legal Services for Aliens”), any obligations of funds,

at any tier, under this award to provide (or to support the provision of) legal services to any removable alien or any alien otherwise unlawfully present in the United States shall be unallowable costs for purposes any award made under this notice, but the foregoing shall not be understood to apply: (1) to legal services to obtain protection orders for victims of crime; or (2) to immigration-related legal services that may be expressly authorized or required by any law, or any judicial ruling, governing or applicable to the award.

Goals and Objectives of This Funding Opportunity

Goal 1: Increase the quality and availability of housing and other services to support victims of human trafficking (as defined in 22 U.S.C. § 7102(11)) by funding national, state, and local victim service organizations.

- **Objective 1:** Increase the number and type of housing models, services, and programs available to serve various types of human trafficking victims.
- **Objective 2:** Improve outcomes for victims of human trafficking by providing support services.

Goal 2: Increase support services for victims to successfully transition to permanent housing.

- **Objective 1:** Increase the number and type of services and programs designed to help human trafficking victims successfully transition to permanent housing.

For a description of how awards under this NOFO will contribute to achieving these goals and objectives, see the [Performance Reports](#) section below.

Expected Outcomes

OJP expects recipients to submit deliverables and performance reports, as described below. Read the [Application Resource Guide](#) for more information. OJP will measure success by reviewing a recipient's submission of performance reports and data and the extent to which project implementation reflects progress toward the goals and objectives of this NOFO.

Deliverables

Recipients do not need to submit any deliverables other than the standard items in the [Post-Award Requirements and Administration](#) section.

Performance Reports

OJP requires recipients to submit regular performance reports that communicate progress toward achieving [Program Goals and Objectives](#). Read information on

[performance reporting](#). Award recipients will receive further guidance on post-award reporting requirements.

Cost Sharing (Match) Requirements

This funding opportunity requires cost sharing (match) from the award recipient. Read the [DOJ Grants Financial Guide](#) for additional definitions and requirements of cost sharing (match), including the allowable sources of both in-kind and cash cost sharing.

Recipients must satisfy this cost sharing (match) requirement with cash and/or in-kind contributions.

Explanation of the Calculation

This funding opportunity requires a 25-percent match based on the total project costs. Federal funds awarded may not cover more than 75 percent, and you must cover at least 25 percent of the total project costs.

Read the [Application Resource Guide](#) for steps on calculating the amount of match based on your budget.

4. APPLICATION CONTENTS AND FORMAT

Application Contents List

OJP will only consider applications that contain all required parts, which are marked ***Required*** below. Refer to the [DOJ Grant Application Submission Checklist](#) for application instructions.

Application Item	Submission Type
Step 1: Grants.gov	
Application for Federal Assistance: SF-424 *Required*	Online Form
Step 2: JustGrants	
Standard Applicant Information *Required*	Online Form
Proposal Abstract	Text Box
Data Requested with Application - Financial Management and System of Internal Controls Questionnaire (including Applicant Disclosure of High-Risk Status) - Agency Funding Priorities Inventory	Online Form

Proposal Narrative *Required*	Attachment
Budget *Required*	Online Form
Other Budget/Financial Attachments • Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (if applicable) • Consultant Rate (if applicable) • Limitation on Use of Award Funds for Employee Compensation for Awards Over \$250,000; Waiver (if applicable) • Disclosure of Process Related to Executive Compensation (if applicable)	Attachment
Letter of Intent and Memorandum of Understanding	Attachment
Additional Application Components • Tribal Authorizing Resolution (if applicable) • Curriculum Vitae or Resumes • Timeline	Attachment

In addition to the items marked ***Required*** in the table above, the following are considered basic minimum requirement elements that are considered in the responsiveness review:

- The application is submitted by an eligible applicant.
- The requested award amount does not exceed the award ceiling.
- The proposed budget includes in-kind or cash match.
- The application is responsive to the scope of the NOFO.

Standard Applicant Information ***Required***

Review and edit as needed the information imported from the SF-424 submitted in Grants.gov. Add ZIP codes for areas affected by the project.

Proposal Abstract

In JustGrants, enter a proposal abstract (limited to 2,000 characters) summarizing the proposed project. As abstracts for funded projects are public, do not include any personally identifying information (e.g., staff names). The abstract should include the following information:

- The name of the applicant's proposed project.
- The purpose of the proposed project (*i.e.*, what the project will do and why it is necessary).
- Where the project will take place (*i.e.*, the service area, if applicable).

- Who will be served by the project (*i.e.*, who will be helped or have their needs addressed by the project).
- What activities will be carried out to complete the project.
- The subrecipient(s)/partner organizations or entities, if known.
- Deliverables and expected outcomes (*i.e.*, what the project will achieve).

View an example of a [proposal abstract](#).

Data Requested with Application

Financial Management and System of Internal Controls Questionnaire (including Applicant Disclosure of High-Risk Status)

Review information on this [questionnaire](#).

Agency Funding Priorities Inventory

Applicants seeking priority consideration under the [Agency Funding Priorities](#) section should answer the inventory questions in their entirety in the web-based form in JustGrants.

Proposal Narrative ***Required***

Format of the Proposal Narrative

Submit the narrative as an attachment in JustGrants. The document should:

- Be double-spaced, using a standard 12-point size font
- Have no less than 1-inch margins
- Have numbered pages
- Not exceed 8 pages

Tables, charts, and graphs may be included in the Proposal Narrative and can be created in a legible font smaller than 12-point. These items will count toward the page limit.

If the Proposal Narrative does not follow this format, OJP may reduce score/ranking of the application.

Sections of the Proposal Narrative

The Proposal Narrative must include the four sections listed below. If you want priority consideration, the Proposal Narrative must state which [priority\(ies\)](#) your project will advance and describe how it will do so.

1. Description of the Need (5% of application score): What critical issue or problem do you propose to address with this project? Please include:

- A brief explanation of the need, gap, or issue to be addressed by the proposed project.

- Supporting information, data, or evidence to demonstrate the need's existence, size, and impact on the target population and community using multiple sources beyond hotline data. Applicants should cite the sources of this data, which could include local, state, and federal data regarding investigations and prosecutions and data from victim service providers or other local stakeholders.
- How the need relates to the purpose of the NOFO.
- A description of current efforts to address the housing service needs of trafficking survivors in the geographic area. At a minimum, applicants must identify the total number of victims they previously served within the targeted geographic area and the types of victims they have served (sex and labor trafficking victims). Applicants must cite the sources of this data.
- A demonstration of existing and sustained victim services rates, caseloads, and expenses that align with the requested level of funding and an explanation of how the proposed project is not duplicative of current efforts to address the housing needs of trafficking survivors in the geographic area.

2. Project Goals and Objectives (15% of the application score): How will the proposed project address the need identified and address the purpose of the NOFO? Please include:

- Project goals (goals are broad, visionary statements on what you hope to accomplish).
- Project objectives (objectives are specific outcomes you plan to achieve through project activities).
- How your project goals and objectives relate to the [goals and objectives of the funding opportunity](#).
- How the proposed project will enhance the community's response to labor trafficking.

3. Project Design and Implementation (35% of application score): How will you implement project activities that meet the project goals and objectives? Please include:

- What activities you will conduct to achieve the proposed goals and objectives.
- How you will deliver or complete those activities.
- When the activities will take place.
- Who in your organization will staff the activities, including key staff.
- Who will participate in and benefit from the activity.
- What deliverables, reports, and other items will be produced as part of the project.
- If you plan to use subrecipients to help conduct the project, please name them (if they are known) or describe how you will identify them. Please describe their role

in conducting project activities, and how subrecipient activity will be tracked and monitored.

- How housing will be provided, including the type of housing (whether housing is program-owned, program-rented, or has a landlord/tenant relationship); the anticipated location; the method for determining client eligibility (e.g., screening, eligibility requirements); housing rules and regulations; and a fee schedule (if applicable).
- How the project will support the successful transition to permanent housing.

4. Capabilities and Competencies (30% of application score): What administrative and technical capacity and expertise do you bring to successfully complete this project? Please include:

- A short description of your capacity to deliver the proposed project and meet the post-award requirements, if funded, including collecting and reporting the required performance measure data and managing the administrative and financial aspects of the award.
- A description of who will be responsible for these tasks and how they will collect the data.
- A description of projects or activities your organization has conducted, or is currently conducting, that demonstrates your ability to undertake the proposed project activities.
 - For services that are proposed to be subawarded to project partners or provided as match by other organizations, the applicant must submit a corresponding Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) or letter of intent (LOI) outlining the work to be conducted (see [Letter of Intent or Memorandum of Understanding \(MOU\)](#)).
 - **If an applicant does not have documented experience serving victims of human trafficking**, the application must include a victim service provider as a required partner in an LOI or MOU and should demonstrate that the victim service provider is significantly involved in the project design and development.
- A summary of relevant experience of team members with key responsibilities for implementing the project, including the capacity and expertise of lead and proposed project partners to respond to all types of human trafficking.

Project Evaluations: An applicant that proposes to use award funds to conduct project evaluations must follow the guidance on [project evaluations](#).

Budget and Associated Documentation

Budget (15% of application score) ***Required***

Use the Budget Detail Worksheet (Web-Based Form) to submit the budget. Read information on [budget preparation](#) and [JustGrants Application Submission Training](#).

- List each cost needed to implement the project under the appropriate cost category.
- Clearly name and describe each cost.
- Show the computation of each cost (e.g., cost per unit, number of units, and total cost).
- Enter narrative, as needed, to explain the cost calculations and connection to your project goals, objectives, and activities.
- Include only costs that are reasonable, allocable, and necessary to implement the project. They must be allowable under the funding statute and agency requirements.¹

The following information specific to this funding opportunity will help you develop your project budget.

- OVC permits applicants proposing to implement victim services programs to allot a portion of their budget for assessment or evaluations activities.
- All recipients and subrecipients (including any for-profit organization) must forgo any profit or management fee.
- Funding Restrictions: The following activities cannot be supported with grant funds.
 - Holding Beds: Grantees may not “hold beds” in a housing facility by charging their cost to the grant and keeping them empty until a victim needs the bed when other victims need access to the beds, as this would be considered an unallowable contingency payment (see 2 C.F.R. § 200.433 (c)).
 - Stipends/Incentives to Participate in Services: Neither cash nor non-cash stipends or incentives may be paid to victims to encourage their participation in services. Noncash stipends (e.g., taxi or ride share vouchers, public transportation tickets or tokens, childcare services, or gift cards for meals that are necessary when participants receive services) are allowable.
 - Savings Accounts for Victims: Federal funds cannot be invested in savings accounts for victims.
 - Financial Support for Private Residence: Grant funds may not be used to keep victims in their privately owned homes or to prevent them from losing such housing.

¹ See [2 C.F.R. Part 200, Subpart E](#) and the [DOJ Grants Financial Guide](#). Read information on [unallowable costs](#) that apply to all funding opportunities.

- Cash Assistance: Grantees may not provide direct cash assistance to victims of human trafficking. Limited and controlled use of gift cards to meet the urgent and short-term needs of victims of human trafficking is allowable.
- Construction or purchase of property.
- Purchase of vehicles.
- Primary Prevention Activities: Per 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b)(2), the purpose of this funding is to support victim service programs; therefore, applicants should not propose primary prevention activities under this program.
- Promotion of Prostitution: Per 22 U.S.C. § 7110(g), the following statutory language applies to all awards under this NOFO:
 - Restriction on programs: No funds made available to carry out this chapter, or any amendment made by this chapter, may be used to promote, support, or advocate the legalization or practice of prostitution. Nothing in the preceding sentence shall be construed to preclude assistance designed to promote the purposes of this Act by ameliorating the suffering of, or health risks to, victims while they are being trafficked or after they are out of the situation that resulted from such victims being trafficked.
 - Restriction on organizations: No funds made available to carry out this chapter, or any amendment made by this chapter, may be used to implement any program that targets victims of severe forms of trafficking in persons described in section 7102(11) of this title through any organization that has not stated in either a grant application, a grant agreement, or both that it does not promote, support, or advocate the legalization or practice of prostitution. The preceding sentence shall not apply to organizations that provide services to individuals solely after they are no longer engaged in activities that resulted from such victims being trafficked. Pursuant to the statute above, OVC requires grantees under this program to agree to the following award condition: *Recipient certifies that it does not promote, support, or advocate the legalization or practice of prostitution, nor will it use grant funds or program match funds to promote, support, or advocate the legalization or practice of prostitution.*

Budget/Financial Attachments

- **Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (if applicable):** If the budget includes indirect costs calculated using a current, federally approved indirect cost rate, upload your indirect cost rate agreement. Read information about [indirect costs](#).
- **Consultant Rate (if applicable):** Read information on [limits to consultant rates](#) and whether you need to request approval to exceed those limits.

- **Limitation on Use of Award Funds for Employee Compensation for Awards Over \$250,000; Waiver (if applicable):** Read information on this [limitation](#) and to determine whether you need to submit a waiver.
- **Disclosure of Process Related to Executive Compensation (if applicable):** An applicant that is a nonprofit organization may be required to make certain disclosures relating to the processes it uses to determine the compensation of its officers, directors, trustees, and key employees. Read information about this [disclosure and documentation](#) to upload.

Letter of Intent and Memorandum of Understanding

For each named partner involved in the project (whether as a subrecipient that will receive federal funds to carry out part of the federal award, or otherwise), applicants should include a signed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) or a letter of intent (LOI) that confirms the partner's agreement to support the project through commitments of staff time, space, services, or other project needs. These documents demonstrate the commitment of partner organizations to participate in the project. An MOU is a formalized commitment of staff and/or resources that is signed by authorized representatives of both partner organizations. An LOI indicates the organizations' intention to partner, but the details of the commitment have not been fully worked out and officially agreed to.

Each MOU or LOI should include the following:

- The names of the organizations involved in the agreement.
- What service(s) and other work will be performed under the agreement and by what organization.
- The duration of the agreement.

If an applicant does not have documented experience in serving victims of human trafficking, the application must include an LOI or MOU from an anti-trafficking service provider as a required partner that is significantly involved in the project design and development. MOUs and LOIs should be submitted as one separate attachment to the application. Unsigned draft MOUs may be submitted with the application, but the applicant should describe in a cover page to the attachment why it is unsigned.

Additional Application Components

Attach these in JustGrants:

- **Tribal Authorizing Resolution (if applicable):** Read information on whether you may need to submit a [Tribal Authorizing Resolution](#).
- **Curriculum Vitae or Resumes:** Provide resumes of key personnel who will work on the proposed project or a description of the experience and skills of key personnel necessary to implement the project.

- **Timeline:** Provide a timeline listing key activities and milestones, and the quarters during which they will take place.

Disclosures and Assurances

Read the [disclosures and assurances](#) and complete them in JustGrants:

- Disclosure of Lobbying Activities
- Disclosure of Duplication in Cost Items (if applicable)
- DOJ Certified Standard Assurances
- DOJ Certifications
- Applicant Disclosure and Justification – DOJ High-Risk Grantees (if applicable)

5. SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND DEADLINES

The [DOJ Grant Application Submission Checklist](#) provides instructions for how to submit your application by the [deadlines](#). [Executive Order \(E.O.\) 12372](#) (Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs) does not apply to this funding opportunity: read the [Application Resource Guide](#) for details. Read OJP's policy for applicants to [request late submission](#) due to technical difficulties, severe weather, or natural or manmade disasters.

6. APPLICATION REVIEW INFORMATION

The [Application Resource Guide](#) explains the responsiveness review, review criteria, and review and selection process, including risk review, and deciding official. Refer to the [Application Contents List](#) for all required application components and other basic minimum requirement elements that are considered in the responsiveness review. The [Proposal Narrative](#) and [Budget](#) sections of this NOFO indicates the weight of peer review criteria.

7. AWARD NOTICES

Read about the [award notification](#) process.

8. POST-AWARD REQUIREMENTS & ADMINISTRATION

Read the [Application Resource Guide](#) for more information about: standard award terms and conditions, administrative and national policy requirements, and post-award reporting requirements.

9. QUESTIONS?

NOFO Contact	Name: OJP Response Center Phone: 800-851-3420 or 202-353-5556 (TTY for hearing-impaired callers only) Email: OJP.ResponseCenter@usdoj.gov Hours: 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. ET, Monday–Friday
SAM.gov Help Desk	Website: sam.gov/help Hours: 8 a.m.–8 p.m. ET, Monday–Friday (closed federal holidays)
Grants.gov Help Desk	Phone: 800-518-4726 Email: support@grants.gov Website: grants.gov/support Hours: 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (closed federal holidays)
JustGrants Help Desk	Phone: 833-872-5175 Email: JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov Hours: 7:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m. ET, Monday–Friday and 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. ET on Saturday, Sunday, and federal holidays.

Appendix A: Examples of Generally Statutorily Allowable Uses of Funds

Type of Service	Service Provision Terms
Information and Referral	- Information about the criminal justice process - Information about victims' rights, how to obtain notifications, etc. - Referral to other victim service programs - Referral to other services, supports, and resources - Information about substance use disorder treatment and support - Referral to substance use disorder treatment and support
Personal Advocacy/Accompaniment	- Victim advocacy/accompaniment to emergency medical care or forensic exam - Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment - Individual advocacy (e.g., assistance in applying for public benefits or other low-cost alternatives) - Performance of medical or nonmedical forensic exam or interview, or medical evidence collection - Intervention with employer, creditor, landlord, or academic institution - Child or dependent care assistance - Transportation assistance - Interpreter services - Family reunification
Emotional Support, Safety, and Health Services	- Crisis intervention - Hotline/Crisis line counseling - On-scene crisis response - Individual therapy/mental health services - Dental services - Support groups - Emergency financial assistance - Provision of emergency medical care - Provision of long-term, non-therapeutic medical care (with the prior approval of OVC) - Substance use disorder services - Protection/Safety planning - Case management
Shelter/Housing Services	- Emergency shelter or placement - Transitional housing - Relocation assistance - Rapid rehousing - Rental assistance - Host homes - Other shelter/housing

Criminal/Civil Justice System Assistance	▪ Notification of criminal justice events ▪ Victim impact statement assistance ▪ Assistance with restitution ▪ Civil legal assistance ▪ Legal services (but only to the extent allowed under the DOJ Grants Financial Guide, Section 3.13 “Unallowable Costs” (“Legal Services for Aliens”)) ▪ Law enforcement or prosecution interview advocacy/accompaniment ▪ Repatriation ▪ Public benefits law ▪ Criminal record relief (<i>for a non-violent crime that is a direct result of being a trafficking victim</i>) ▪ Victim’s rights representation
Education/Employment/Skill Building	▪ Education ▪ Job/Vocational training ▪ Job readiness ▪ Skill building (i.e., life skills)

Appendix B: Background on Anti-Trafficking Housing Services

Applicants may propose housing assistance related to the following:

- **Transitional housing assistance**, meaning temporary housing offered for at least 6 months and no more than 24 months that helps victims transition into permanent housing. Transitional housing is not an extended shelter stay.
- **Short-term housing assistance**, meaning rental assistance and/or other financial assistance (e.g., utility assistance, relocation costs) offered for at least 6 months and no more than 24 months that helps victims transition into permanent housing.
- **Emergency shelter**, meaning a type of shelter or non-permanent housing in which a victim of human trafficking may be placed for less than 6 months, depending on the immediate need and preference of the victim. Crisis housing can be provided on an emergency, temporary basis, which may include congregate shelter and/or hotel/motel placements as a bridge to other housing.