CY24 STOP/SASP Frequently Asked Questions and Answers

How much funding is available this year for STOP and SASP?
From the FFY 23 awards there is $1,709,670.60 from STOP and $42,858.40 from SASP available. *Additional funds from prior awards may be reallocated to sub-awards created from this solicitation.*

Can you share the funding distribution amounts for STOP?
These breakdowns are based on the FFY23 STOP Award...
$427,417.65 Law Enforcement
$427,417.65 Prosecution
$512,901.18 Victim Services*
$85,483.53 Courts
$256,450.59 Discretionary

*$51,290.12 in victim services must be allocated to culturally specific services
$341,934.12 allocated between at least 2 different categories must be fund sexual assault services.

Will this grant allow for an upfront funding request or is it only reimbursement-based?
This grant is cost reimbursable; there will be no upfront funding requests allowed.

What are some of the items we can use as indirect costs?
Indirect is based on your agency's federally negotiated indirect cost rate or the 10% de minimis.

If space to meet the needs of our survivors is an issue, could part of the funding be used for moving and possible improvements under operations?
No, agency moving expenses and renovations are not allowable under STOP or SASP.

Do you want a 1099 contractor's pay in the top employee pay?
No, do not include contractors, just employees. If you have less than 5 actual employees in your agency, please note that in that section.

Can we use Indirect Costs de Minimis as part of our match?
Yes.

Will the grant allow us to serve Trafficking victims under victim services or would it go under discretionary, or does it not fall within the grant?
It does fall within the grant parameters for STOP, and it whether it falls under victim services or discretionary depends on what kind of agency you are and how much funding we must allocate to each category.

Do people who review and score these applications understand other victim services funding sources? Ex. Reduction in VOCA fund awarded being due to cuts across the board to VOCA due to a lack of VOCA funding and not because of an organization's performance?
So long as it is something our agency is aware of, yes, we will make sure reviewers are aware of it during their training. If you want to be sure a reviewer is aware you could put an explanation somewhere in your narrative, like the cost allocation table. OK.
I noticed this last week, so thank you for asking this question.

On page one of the title page, there is a section that says, "Current STOP/SASP funding awarded for state fiscal January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023." How do we answer this since the last round of awards was for July 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023, and the ones before that were for July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023?
That question should have said July 1st, 2023, through December 31, 2023, so if you're currently funded out of the six-month awards, you'll identify that total, otherwise please disregard.

Under operating costs, would software to manage grants and funding and monitoring be allowed?
Yes, just please keep in mind that be cost allocated across your other funding streams as well.

Do annual report numbers impact our funding applications?
No, but it does provide us data we need to start looking at what services are

available within our state, how STOP/SASP funds are being utilized, and helps us develop the STOP Implementation plan that determines our state priorities.

The scope of work format is different than it was in previous years, can we put the completion date on there even though it's not asked for?
Yes.

How do we know if we are exempt from the 25% match requirement?
If you are a non-profit victim services agency, you are exempt from a match. You may still offer match though.

If we, as an organization, don't maintain waitlists because we have decided that if we can't provide the needed services to someone, we refer them out, what should we include in the waitlist section?
Explain *why* you don't maintain a waitlist and what your policy for referring out when you are at capacity or don't offer the needed services.