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## **DISABILITY GRANT PROGRAM**

- The Grants for Training and Services to End Violence Against Individuals with Disabilities and Deaf People Program (Disability Grant Program) seeks to create sustainable change within and between organizations that improves the response to individuals with disabilities and Deaf individuals who are victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking and to hold perpetrators of such crimes accountable. The program was created by Congress to address the pressing need to focus on sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking against individuals with disabilities and Deaf individuals due to the proliferation of such crimes.
- Disability Grant Program funds are used to establish and strengthen multidisciplinary collaborative relationships; increase organizational capacity to provide accessible, safe, and effective services to individuals with disabilities and Deaf individuals who are victims of violence and abuse; identify needs within the grantee's organization and/or service area; and develop a plan to address those identified needs that builds a strong foundation for future work.
- Eligible applicants are limited to: states; units of local government; Indian tribal governments or tribal organizations; and victim service providers, such as state or tribal domestic violence or sexual assault coalitions or nonprofit, nongovernmental organizations serving individuals with disabilities.
- In 2022, the Disability Grant Program gave out 10 awards, totaling \$4.1 million.
- Once posted, the solicitation to apply for this program can be found on OVW's website here: <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/open-solicitations>. Members of the public can also sign up for notifications on that website, and grant announcements are posted to OVW's Twitter at [twitter.com/OVWJustice](https://twitter.com/OVWJustice).
- This program is authorized by 34 U.S.C. § 20122.

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