## IV.B. Priority Areas

The VAWA Implementation Planning Subcommittee developed the funding priorities for the FY 2017 – 2020 plan. Additional revisions were made by the IP Planning Subcommittee in 2015 and 2016 that included additional members from the CVSD Advisory Committee. Each funding priority corresponds with one of the STOP VAWA Formula Grant Program purpose areas. These funding priorities may be specific to certain allocation categories.

All subgrants receiving non-competitive or competitive funds must address at least one of the 20 statutory purpose areas as identified in Appendix E. No single purpose area is given priority by the Advisory Committee and all-purpose areas are open for funding. Applicants will be required to indicate in their applications the primary and secondary purpose areas of the proposed project.

The statewide survey on policy and service gaps, the preliminary findings on the Statewide Needs Assessment and other related surveys, and the narrative responses provided on the Annual Performance (Muskie) reports, guided the Advisory Committee’s and Subcommittee’s in establishing the funding priorities listed below:

**Funding Priority #1:**

Provide victims of domestic and sexual assault, stalking and dating violence meaningful access to services and support programs in stabilizing funding for:

1. Victims’ services (includes non-profit, tribal and prosecution-based programs); and
2. Law enforcement, prosecution and court projects.

**Funding Priority #2:**

a) Support services to meet the needs of:

* victims from underserved, marginalized and/or oppressed populations:
* and/or Tribal Nations.

b) To improve and enhance culturally specific services and increase cultural competency in the delivery of victim services as well as the cultural responsiveness of prosecution, law enforcement and courts.

**Funding Priority #3**: Allocation of STOP VAWA Formula Grant Program funds for statewide training projects.

**Funding Priority #4:** A total of 20% will be allocated for sexual assault as a set aside across victim services, discretionary, law enforcement and prosecution allocation categories. CVSD will ensure that “not less than 20% of the total award” in at least two categories will be allocated to meaningfully address sexual assault services as required in federal statute.

**Funding Priority #5:** Facilitate consultation and planning among and between non-profit, government-based, and tribal victim service providers and law enforcement, prosecution and courts.

**Funding Priority #6**: Reduce the number of domestic violence homicides in the State of Oregon through fatality review of domestic violence cases and implementation of model firearm surrender protocols and lethality assessments.

All of the listed funding priorities may be the focus of any corresponding allocation category (victim services, law enforcement, prosecution, courts or discretionary) as identified in the competitive and/or non-competitive solicitation process and its subsequent application review team.

## IV.C. Identified Goals, Objectives and Activities

CVSD and the Planning Subcommittee discussed specific strategies to address identified barriers to service provision for victims in Oregon. Many of the strategies require significant resources over the next four years which pose a challenge given Oregon’s current economic situation. As noted in Section III.D. Poverty and Economic Data, many counties continue to struggle and infrastructure continues to degrade. Discussion on addressing goals and objectives will occur in graduated steps over the next two Implementation Plan award periods (FY 2017 - 2020 and FY 2021 – 2024). CVSD will provide updates to its plan to OVW as needed.

Per the table below, the Advisory Committee and Planning Subcommittee identified the following goals and objectives for FYs 2017 – 2020.

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| **Goal #1: Provide victims of domestic and sexual assault, stalking and dating violence meaningful access to services and support programs in stabilizing funding. Funding support may include: training and a 20% sexual assault set aside; and will include multi-disciplinary or collaborative partnerships as well as the provision of culturally competent services and sensitivity in response to underserved, marginalized, and/or oppressed populations (UMOC) and/or Tribal Nations (TN).**  |
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|  **Victim Services:**Objective A: Provide funding to support and stabilize victim service programs in their work with victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence and stalking. Objective B: Provide funding to support victim service programs to address the needs of all victims in service area. This includes addressing the needs of underserved, marginalized and/or oppressed communities and/or Tribal Nations.Objective C: Provide funding to victim service programs to provide services for incarcerated victims of sexual assault. Objective D: Provide funding to victim service programs to provide meaningful access to sexual assault services with a 20% sexual assault set aside.Objective E: Provide funding that enhances and strengthens the criminal justice system response to violence against women by supporting projects that fund domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking or teen dating violence training. **Law Enforcement***:*Objective F: Provide funding to law enforcement agencies for hiring specially trained advocates to work with victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking.Objective G: Provide funding to law enforcement agencies to support detectives and/or investigators to conduct follow-up investigations of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence and stalking cases.Objective H: Provide funding to law enforcement agencies to support officers to participate in high-risk response and/or sexual assault response teams in coordination with a community-based sexual and/or domestic violence service provider and/or county district attorney office. Objective I: Provide funding to support training of law enforcement personnel in the areas of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking in collaboration with a community-based domestic and/or sexual violence service provider. Focus of training may include increasing cultural competency and sensitivity in working with underserved, marginalized and/or oppressed communities and Tribal Nations. Objective J: Provide funding to support law enforcement in efforts to increase cultural competency and sensitivity in working with underserved, marginalized and/or oppressed communities and/or Tribal Nations. Objective K: Provide funding to support law enforcement with the implementation of model firearm surrender protocols that require domestic violence perpetrators and restraining order respondents to surrender firearms to law enforcement agencies. Objective L: Provide funding that supports meaningful access to sexual assault services with a 20% sexual assault set aside.**Prosecution:**Objective M: Provide funding to prosecution agencies for hiring specially trained advocates to work with victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking.Objective N: Provide funding to prosecution agencies to support attorneys and/or investigators to conduct follow-up investigations of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence and stalking cases.Objective O: Provide funding to prosecution agencies to support attorneys to participate in high-risk response and/or sexual assault response teams in coordination with a community-based sexual and/or domestic violence service provider and/or law enforcement agency. Objective P: Provide funding to support training of prosecution personnel in the areas of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking in collaboration with a community-based domestic and/or sexual violence service provider.Objective Q: Provide funding that supports meaningful access to sexual assault services with a 20% sexual assault set aside.**Courts:** Objective R: Provide funding to the Oregon Judicial Department, Office of the State Court Administrator to support the VAWA Central Point of Contact to support statewide projects that benefit the 27 judicial districts around the state.Objective S: Provide funding to the OJD to support specialized judicial and court staff training on domestic and sexual violence; stalking and dating violence. Objective T: Provide funding to OJD to facilitate the development and dissemination of uniform statewide policies and procedures.Objective U: Provide funding to OJD for ongoing development and updating of uniform statewide forms and procedures for obtaining protective and stalking orders; bench guides, and data entry guides.Objective V: Provide funding to support community-based collaboration with victim advocates, law enforcement, and other stakeholders to improve system responses. |

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| **Goal #2: a)** Support services to meet the needs of victims from underserved, marginalized and/or oppressed populations and/or Tribal Nations. b) Provide funding to improve and enhance culturally specific services and increase cultural competency in the delivery of victim services as well as the cultural responsiveness of prosecution, law enforcement and courts.  |
|  **Victim Services/Law Enforcement/Prosecution/Court/Discretionary:**Objective A: Provide funding to work with victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence and stalking. Objective B: Provide funding to address the needs of all victims in service area. This includes addressing the needs of:a) underserved, marginalized and/or oppressed communities;b) and/or Tribal Nations.Objective C: Provide funding to support the development of culturally appropriate client outreach designed to reach historically underserved, marginalized, and oppressed populations and/or Tribal Nations within the service area.Objective D: Provide funding to support the development of sustainable collaborative relationships with community groups and organizations from historically UMOC populations and/or Tribal Nations.Objective E: Provide funding to support the participation in and presentation of cross training with community groups and organizations from UMOC and/or Tribal Nations.Objective F: Provide funding to improve linguistic and culturally appropriate services for Limited English Proficient and underserved culturally specific victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence and stalking[[1]](#footnote-1). Objective G: Provide funding to enhance and maintain continuous outreach, collaboration and victim service co-advocacy between Tribal Nations and community programs that includes the tribal domestic and sexual violence advocate on Sexual Assault Response Teams (SARTs), Multi-Disciplinary Teams (MDTs) and Domestic Violence Councils. The following activities will be conducted by CVSD and are specific to the ongoing implementation of the “next steps” as identified on the Tribal Nation Listening Tour Report[[2]](#footnote-2) or identified next steps during FY 2017 - 2020 as follows: Activity A: Provide ongoing training on a variety of topics such as Indian Law, Tribal Relations, Criminal Jurisdiction in Indian Country, Cultural Considerations and other topics to all statewide decision makers such as CVSD Advisory Committee and Subcommittee members, community and government based subgrantees, and others. The training will be provided by the DOJ Native American Affairs Coordinator and/or other trainers as designated by tribal leaders.Activity B: Maintain the list of key tribal contacts for victim services and all other matters as approved by tribal leadership. The list will be provided to CVSD subgrantees to encourage outreach and collaboration. Activity C: CVSD Fund Coordinator and the CTUIR DVSA Program Coordinator will conduct a follow-up to the listening tour during on site monitoring visits that includes ongoing tribal victim service needs, understanding of collaborative partnerships between tribes and community partners in extended tribal county service area, and technical assistance on grant related reporting. Activity D. Continue to include common language across all solicitations to guide programs in outreach efforts to UMOC and TN. |

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| **Goal #3:** Funds will be used to support statewide training projects for law enforcement, prosecution, courts and victim services. |
|  **Discretionary:**Objective A: Provide funding to support statewide training for local, state and tribal law enforcement, prosecution, courts and victim services related to domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking and/or dating violence.Objective B: Provide funding to support training for local, state and tribal law enforcement regarding orders of protection, full faith and credit and the laws regarding domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking and dating violence on a local, state and federal level. (Appendix K). Objective C: To provide training scholarships to local, state and tribal law enforcement, prosecution, courts and victim services for the purpose of enhancing domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence and stalking service provision and/or investigations. Specifically, addressing co-sponsorship of the Domestic Violence Tribal State and Federal Summit with the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation.Objective D: Provide funding to support training on culturally specific services as well as cultural competency and sensitivity in working with underserved, marginalized and/or oppressed communities and Tribal Nations.Objective E: Provide funding that supports basic and advanced training to local law enforcement and courts regarding services for victims in tribal communities. Specifically, training identified as areas of need on tribal land may include gender issues, immigration law and civil process law.Objective F: Provide funding to support multi-disciplinary training and collaboration among government and responders.Objective G: Provide funding to support training for implementation of evidence-based risk/danger assessments to identify and prioritize victims who are considered to be in relationships with a high risk of lethality*CVSD, OJD and the Advisory Committee will look for cost effective methods of training to be conducted in FY 2015 and 2016 such as online training opportunities and use of any “de-obligated funds” and use of other available resources.* |

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| **Goal #4:** Funds will be used to support **the provision of sexual assault services with providers defining what meaningful access to sexual assault services means for the target population (s) served.**  |
|  **Victim Services/Prosecution/Law Enforcement/Discretionary:**Objective A: Provide funding that supports meaningful access to sexual assault services with a 20% sexual assault set aside.Objective B: Provide funding that improves (and defines) meaningful access to sexual assault services for victims.Objective C: Provide funding that focuses on the “Ten Components of High-Quality SA Service Advocacy Agencies” as outlined in [Opening Our Doors: Building Strong Sexual Assault Services in Dual/Multi-Service Advocacy Agencies](http://www.resourcesharingproject.org/sites/resourcesharingproject.org/files/OOD_second_edition.pdf) (developed through an OVW Technical Assistance grant to the Resource Sharing Project) as a system of indicators for high quality sexual assault programs. The indicators will enhance an organizations capacity to meet the unique needs of sexual assault survivors within their community.   |

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| Goal #5: Facilitate consultation and planning among and between non-profit, , government-based, and tribal victim service providers and law enforcement, prosecution and courts. |
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| Objective A: Facilitates meaningful consultation and planning among and between non-profit, non-governmental victim service providers and law enforcement, prosecution and courts.Objective B: Implementation of coordinated policies and/or partnerships among and between non-profit, non-governmental and tribal victim service providers and law enforcement, prosecution and courts. |

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| Goal #6: Reduce the number of domestic violence homicides in the State of Oregon through fatality review of domestic violence cases as well as the implementation of model firearm surrender protocols and lethality assessments[[3]](#footnote-3). |
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| **Objective A**: Improve the coordinated statewide response to and prevention of domestic violence and domestic violence fatalities in Oregon through the review of relevant cases by a multi-disciplinary team (Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team). Activities:* The DVFRT will review two cases per year.
* The team will choose cases based on the protocol criteria and will provide in-depth study of each case.
* The team will analyze the identified strengths and weaknesses of the criminal justice responses related to the cases.
* The team will make recommendations on how to improve system responses to Domestic Violence.

**Objective B**: Increase the number of counties that implement model firearm protocols which decreases the number of DV perpetrators who have access to firearms (as measured by #s of firearms surrendered by DV defendants and FAPA respondents). **Objective C**: Increase the identification of high-risk cases with the use of Lethality Assessments by law enforcement and victim services for domestic violence incidents.  |

1. Culturally specific organizations will be limited to those racial and ethnic minority groups defined in the Public Health Act at 42 U.S.C. 30u-6(g) (i.e. American Indians including Alaska Natives, Eskimos, and Aleuts; Asian Americans; Native Hawaiians and other Pacific Islanders; Blacks; and Hispanics. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Established activities since the listening tour concluded in 2012: Oregon Tribal Nations receives non-competitive victim service grant funds since 2013 (based on the state allocation formula); designated tribal contacts are on the CVSD listserv with tribal victim service programs (and leadership) receiving statewide training and funding opportunities; Tribal victim service staff participate in statewide training opportunities such as Director’s Day, Compensation Program and Address Confidentiality Program training, webinars on best practices and other topics; and CVSD posts grant award summaries on the grant webpages. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. Six of 36 counties implemented the model firearm surrender protocols from FY 2013 – 2016. The DVFRT analyzed its first case in May 2012, second case in May 2013 with submitted two annual letters and biennial reports to the legislature promoting case review findings and recommendations. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)