CVSSD Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Oregon Department of Justice - CVSSD Remote meeting July 11, 2022- 9:00am-10:16 am

Committee Members Present: Ashley Beatty, BB Beltran, Amy Benedum, Allison Cleveland, Debora Dority, Sybil Hebb, Barb Palicki, Lauri Stewart, Vanessa Timmons, Merle Weiner

CVSSD DOJ Staff Present: Mackenzie Gray, Christine Heyen, Kim Kennedy, Sherree Rodriguez, Maria Ruiz Ceja, Shannon Sivell

Committee Members Absent: Steve Bellshaw, Justin Nelson, Kimberly Lane

Welcome and Introductions

Kim welcomed everyone and each member introduced themselves.

Finalize the distribution of the one-time ODSVS Funds

Mackenzie created additional options for the distribution of the funds and a summary was sent out to the committee on Friday July 8th, 2022, for review. She presented four options for the committee to consider.

Option #1 - All organizations will receive an increase of approximately 42% above their scheduled allocation at the \$18.2 million benchmark. This is a straightforward option that ensures all grantees receive a portion of the increase, calculated based on their formula allocation. This option is based on an approximate rate of inflation over time.

Option #2 – The allocations are run based on the current formula (base + population) with no adjustments aside from what is true for all options. Since the base funding is already 100% met with the benchmark allocations, the remaining increases go solely to the population portion of the formula. This benefits the largest counties most.

Option #3 - The allocations are run based on the current formula, except that the bases are increased to \$150,000 before distributing the remainder based on population. This had been one of the recommendations from the former Joint Subcommittee and is based on an estimated increase in staff costs. While it ensures that funds are distributed to more organizations, it does start deviating from the current formula.

Option #4 – Allocations are run based on the current formula, except that the population portion of the allocation factors 50% on general population numbers and 50% on underserved

population numbers. This had been one of the recommendations from the Joint Subcommittee to help ensure that underserved populations are better served. This approach also starts deviating from the current formula.

After considering the four options, the committee expressed concerns about how the funds would be fairly distributed especially for the underserved communities. They suggested a fifth option that seemed to result in a more equitable approach that recognizes a priority for serving underserved communities. The committee approved option five by unanimous vote. This option uses the \$150,000 base and the population portion of the allocation factors 50% on general population numbers and 50% on underserved population numbers.

Actions

- The spreadsheet for option five will be sent out as soon as they have the accurate numbers.
- The meeting in the fall will use Webex so the currently scheduled Zoom meeting will be canceled, and a Webex meeting will be added.

Meeting adjourned at 10:16am Next remote meeting October 18, 2022