

2027-2028 SASP Competitive Grant

Grant Amendments/Clarifications to the Request for Application

AMENDMENTS

- Amendments are listed in order.
- Additions/changes are reflected in **red**, and deletions are reflected by strikethrough.
- Amendments that are connected to the same topic will have a subsection.

None at this time.

CLARIFICATIONS

Posted August 31, 2026

E-Grants: Form A. Cover Page

By checking this box, I hereby certify that the organization determines suitability to interact with minors for all board members, staff and volunteers who may interact independently with minors by completing a fingerprint-based search. **If an organization does not have access to a fingerprint-based search** through Law Enforcement, organizations must use the BCU Clearinghouse to comply with the OVC and OVW award conditions.

Video Conference Questions and Answers on 9/9/26

<u>Question</u>	<u>Answer</u>
One of the SASP specific eligibility requirements says we have to serve survivors without regard to age of the individual. Is it still okay to focus on Youth as an underserved population in the application?	Selecting to serve a specific underserved population(s) as a project focus does not restrict applicants from serving sexual assault survivors outside of the project focus. The list of underserved populations is located on the Cover Page in E-Grants as well as on page 15 of the Request for Applications.
Are we able to pay for a SANE nurse that has already been trained to respond to a sexual assault or crisis call?	No, that is an unallowable cost under SASP. Please refer to the Request for Applications pages 13-14. SASP has a long list of unallowable or out of scope costs.
Would serving students on a college campus be considered population specific as part of the children/youth category?	No. College students are not youth anymore; they are over the age of 17. Yes. The term “youth” means a person who is 11 to 24 years old. (VAWA definition)

<u>Question</u>	<u>Answer</u>
So even if we have fingerprint background checks through a law enforcement agency, do we still need to use the BCU?	We updated the wording in E-grants, either Law Enforcement or the BCU will work.
We are wondering how you anticipate allocating SASP funds. Is the intention to fully distribute the available funding by adjusting award amounts as needed, or should applicants expect awards to be made only at the full amount requested?	People can request what they feel their project needs. We don't anticipate asking people to reduce their budgets. With the available funding we will award as many applications as feasible. The top applications will be the ones that will get funded.
We are trying to prioritize FTE- meaning we are trying to determine if we should lower the percentage of certain line items below the proportionate FTE rate to stay below a competitive threshold. Can you verify that this is an allowable strategy?	With federal funds you can always ask for less than your actual costs.

Video Conference Questions and Answers on 9/10/26

<u>Question</u>	<u>Answer</u>
Can SASP pay for advocates that are a part of the SANE programs, if it isn't paying for the SANE portion of the services?	Yes, it can. The purpose of SASP is providing direct intervention and services to sexual assault survivors.

Questions and Answers via e-mail or phone

<u>Question</u>	<u>Answer</u>
9/10/26: Can you please confirm the potential allocation for each grant recipient who is selected for the SASP grant?	The total estimated funding amount is \$1,412,130 for 4-6 awards. People can request what they feel their project needs. With the available funding we will award as many applications as feasible. The top applications will be the ones that will get funded.
9/11/26: I am not sure if our program would qualify under the "population specific program" part of the requirements. Our nonprofit serves many who fall into the list of identified underserved populations. My question is – A) is having a program that helps us serve more underserved populations enough? B) Or would our advocate be constrained to only serve these underserved populations? C) And/or would we need to prove that we are creating a program only for these underserved populations?	A) All applicants need to determine for themselves if they meet the criteria or are developing as a Population Specific Program or Organization. The definitions can be found in the Request for Applications on page 6 and in the E-grants on Form E. B) Selecting to serve a specific underserved population(s) as a project focus does not restrict applicants from serving sexual assault survivors outside of the project focus. C) Semi-annually applicants will be reporting on the progress of their goals and objectives,

	and answering narrative questions. Please review the Application Scoring on pages 27-30 and Reporting Requirements on pages 33-35 in the Request for Applications for more information.
9/17/26: I am trying to find out the definitions for "elderly" and "developmentally challenged" for the SASP application. What actually constitutes these populations? Can you tell me where these definitions might be?	Elder Abuse is defined in the Violence Against Women Act that the SASP is a part of. See 34 U.S.C. § 12291 (Definitions and grant conditions) for the Violence Against Women Act. (a) Definitions.— In this title, for the purpose of grants authorized under this title: (14) ELDER ABUSE.— The term “elder abuse” means any action against a person who is 50 years of age or older that constitutes the willful— (A) infliction of injury, unreasonable confinement, intimidation, or cruel punishment with resulting physical harm, pain, or mental anguish; or (B) deprivation by a person, including a caregiver, of goods or services with intent to cause physical harm, mental anguish, or mental illness. The definition behind Developmentally Challenged was not included in the Violence Against Women Act definitions, but can be found in the Oregon Revised Statutes (O.R.S.) under similar wording (mental impairment). In 410.040 Definitions in the Oregon Revised Statutes for Seniors and Disability Services, (7) “Person with a disability” means a person with a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities.
9/21/26: I thought you went over this in your presentation, but now I can't find that information. Can you direct me to where I need to look for the definition of "rural" under SASP?	On page 6 of the Request for Applications you can find Rural in the Definitions section, “RURAL AREA and RURAL COMMUNITY- means any area or community, respectively, no part of which is within an area designated as a standard metropolitan statistical area by the Office of Management and Budget; any area or community, respectively, that is within an area designated as a metropolitan statistical area or considered as part of a metropolitan

	statistical area; and located in a rural census tract; or any federally recognized Indian tribe.” Definitions for purposes of the Request for Applications are (unless otherwise noted) terms used by VAWA that apply to the SASP Program, as amended by VAWA 2013. These terms may be referenced at VAWA 2013 Universal Definitions and Grant Conditions.
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