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Family Violence Prevention & Services Program

American Rescue Plan COVID-19 Testing, Vaccines, and Mobile Health Units Supplemental Funding

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Family Violence Prevention and Services Act Program

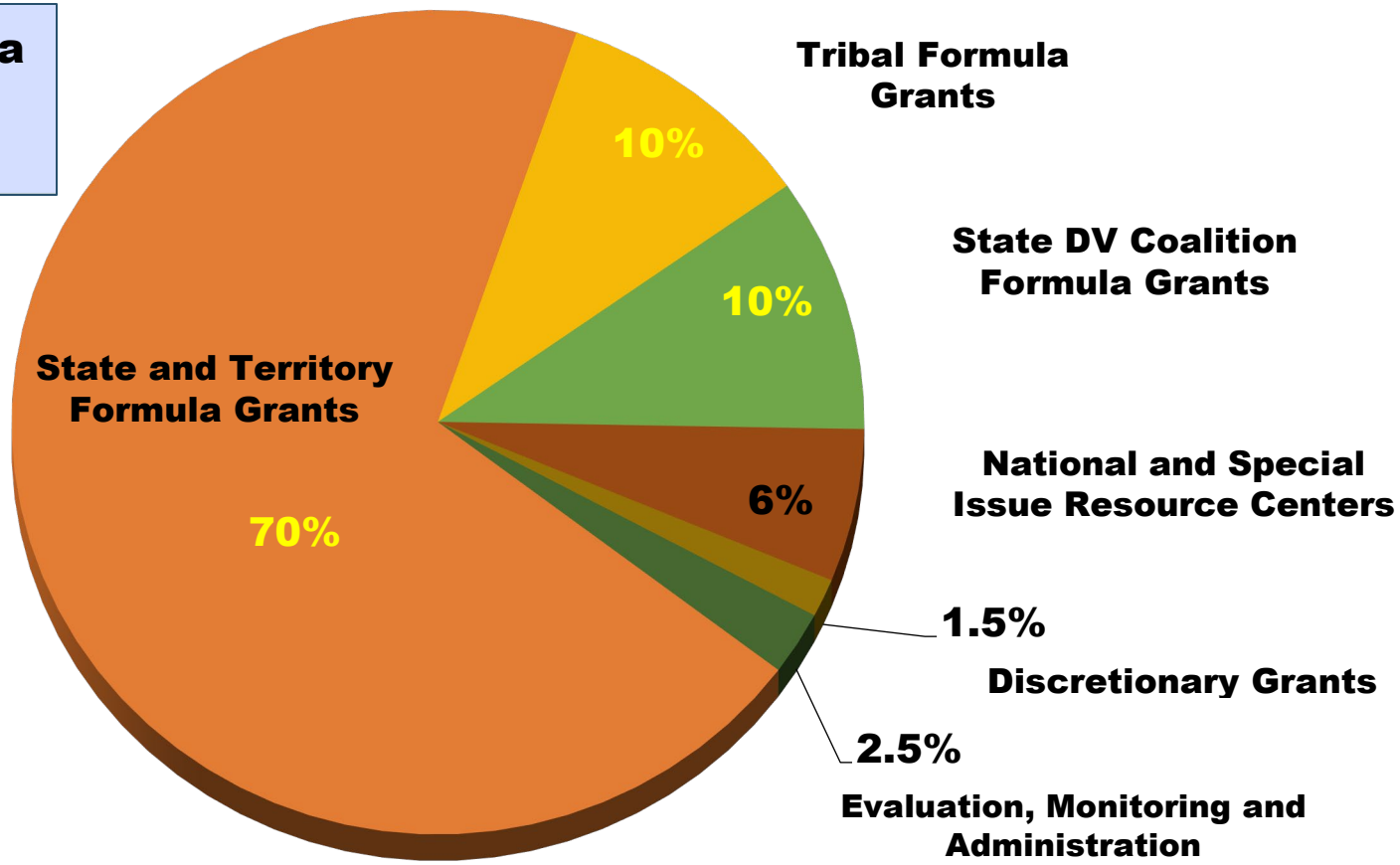
Since 1984, FVPSA remains the primary federal resource dedicated to provision of domestic violence shelters, supportive services, and related programming for victims of domestic/dating violence and their dependents.

FVPSA Statutory Purposes

- Assist States and Tribes in efforts to prevent domestic violence and dating violence.
- Provide immediate shelter and supportive services for victims of domestic violence and their dependents.
- Provide for a National Domestic Violence Hotline.
- Provide for technical assistance and training relating to domestic violence and DV programs to States, Tribes, public agencies, community-based programs and the public.
- Provide specialized services for abused parents and their children.

FVPSA Funding Allocations

90% Formula Mandatory Grants



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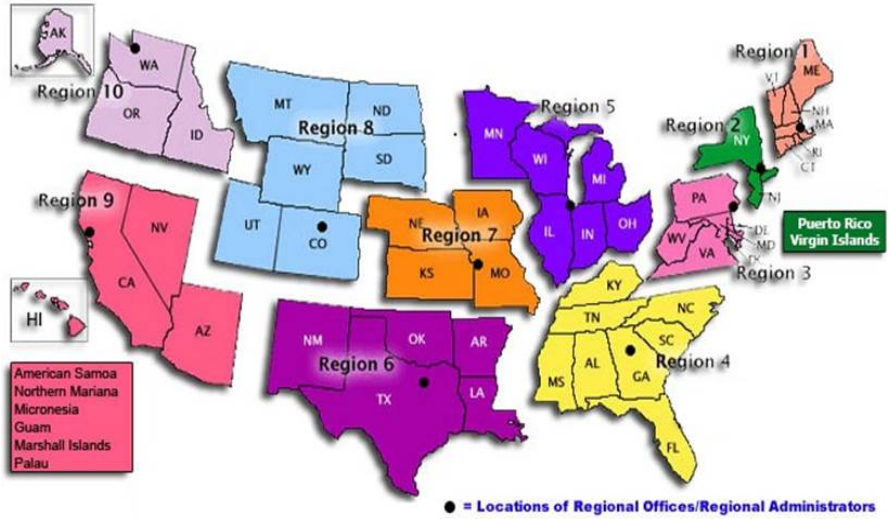

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Our Agenda

1

Review the ARP supplemental grant program purpose.

2

Review responses to Frequently Asked Questions.

3

Review training and technical assistance resources.

Historic Impact of $1 Billion in ARP Appropriations for Survivors

$450 Million in ARP DV & SV Services Funding

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$550 Million in ARP COVID-19 Testing, Vaccines, & Mobil Health Units Funding

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$1 Billion Investment in Survivor Services & Supports

What is the origin story of this supplemental funding?

03/30/21 HHS COVID 19 Testing Team inquired about need for onsite testing to mitigate spread of COVID-19 in congregate settings (DV shelters)

03/31/21

FVPSA Director reached out to all FVPSA grant recipients via email about need.

04/01/21

50 FVPSA grantees responded to inquiry indicating need for resources and supplies

04/14/21 FVPSA Director submitted proposal to HHS and OMB requesting funding for testing, vaccines, and mobile health units

07/12/21 HHS and OMB approved ARP COVID-19 testing, vaccines, and mobile health units supplemental funding for FVPSA grant recipients

10/08/21

OMB & HHS approved program instruction guidance memo

10/25/21 ACF & FVPSA released $550 million in ARP COVID-19 testing , vaccines, mobile health unit supplemental funding

What is the purpose of the ARP COVID-19 testing, vaccines, and mobile health units supplemental funding?

What are the expected outcomes of the ARP COVID-19 testing, vaccines, and mobile health units funding?

Safe voluntary access to COVID-19 testing, vaccines, and mobile health services.

Increased usage of mobile health units and mobile advocacy services for survivors.

Reduced burden for DV programs that do not have resources and staff to support COVID-19 mitigation.

Increased access to health and behavioral health supports for survivors and children.

Meaningful partnerships between DV programs and health care providers.

Enhanced supportive services for survivors that are safe and accessible where they need them most.

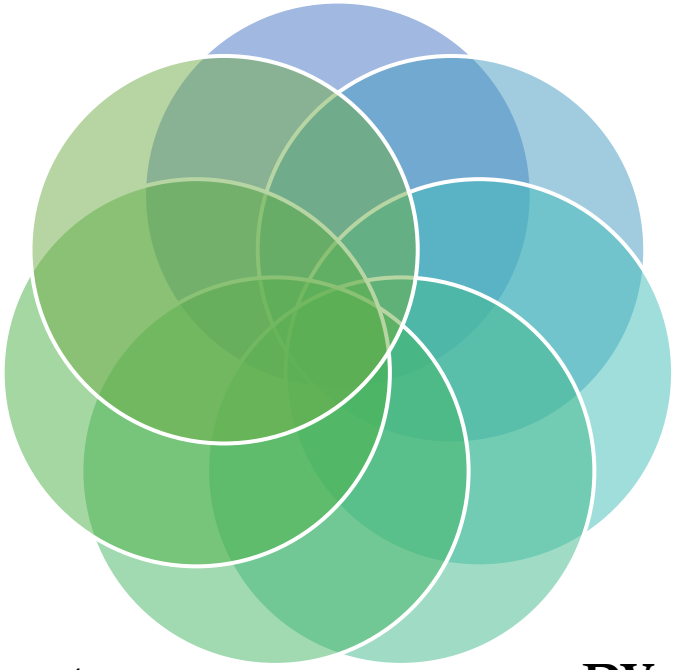
What does success look like for this supplemental funding?

Infinite Possibilities of Success

Collaborations with IHS to help tribes access mobile health units

Increase health and wellbeing services for survivors and children

DV programs have partnerships with mobile health units to support survivors



States provide weekly access to COVID-19 testing

Doctors and nurses make regular rotations to DV programs

Health departments provide pop-up vaccination clinics for DV programs

DV programs have COVID-19 mitigation teams onsite

How can this supplemental funding support our collective goals for survivors and families?

Mitigate COVID-19 and support the continuity of survivor services and supports.

Provide access to health supports for those who are facing barriers and isolation to preventive health care.

Improve health and wellbeing outcomes for survivors and reduce health disparities exacerbated by IPV.

What is the purpose of the ARP COVID-19 testing, vaccines, and mobile health units supplemental funding?

- Safe voluntary access to COVID-19 testing.
- Maintain contract for testing to support DV programs.
- Provide funding for onsite testing and supplies for programs.
- Partner with clinics to provide testing for programs survivors
- Contract with mobile testing unit for DV programs.
- Hire COVID-19 testing consultations and mitigation teams.

Mitigate COVID-19 With Testing

Mitigate COVID-19 with access to vaccines

- Safe voluntary access to COVID-19 vaccines and boosters.
- Maintain contract to provide vaccines for DV programs.
- Partner with health departments to provide vaccine clinics for survivors.
- Contract with mobile health unit to provide vaccines for survivors.
- Develop outreach materials.
- Hire COVID-19 vaccine coordinators and consultants.

- Contract with mobile health units to make regular visits to local programs or tribes to collect tests and administer vaccines in a variety of settings.
- Contract with mobile health units to provide primary health care and behavioral health care for survivors staying in shelters, safe homes, transitional housing units, and permanent supportive housing.

Provide safe access to health care and supports

Meaningful Partnerships

- Establish contracts/MOUs with health centers, health care providers, local clinics, and health departments.
- Hire COVID-19 mitigation protocol consultants and coordinators.
- Integrate health supports into mobile advocacy services for survivors.
- Contract with doctors and nurses to make rotations at DV programs.

2021 ARP COVID-19 Testing, Vaccines, and Mobile Health Units Supplemental Funding Overview

Funding Amount: $550 million

Purpose: Provision of grants to domestic violence shelters and programs for rapid testing, onsite testing, and providing access to COVID-19 testing; providing access to vaccines; and for facilitating access to mobile health unit services for adult and youth victims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, and their dependents

Type of award: Supplemental award to existing FVPSA grant recipients

Release Date: October 25, 2021

Recipients:

- $332,500,000 for states representing 56 grant recipients reaching 1,500 domestic violence programs (subaward grants);
- $142,500,000 for tribes representing 144 grant recipients reaching 252 tribes (direct awards and consortia awards); and
- $50,000,000 for coalitions, resource centers, capacity building centers and hotlines to provide technical assistance to tribes, domestic violence shelters/programs, and culturally specific organizations.

What are the responses to FAQs about the allowable uses of ARP COVID-19 testing, vaccines, and mobile health units funding?

FVPSA State Administrators and Tribes ARP COVID-19 Testing, Vaccines, & Mobile Health Units Supplemental Funding Q&A – Acceptance?

Do we have to accept these supplemental funds? No.

All FVPSA-funded states, territories, and tribes have the option to accept or not accept the ARP COVID-19 testing, vaccines, and mobile health unit supplemental funding.

Is there a penalty for not accepting these funds? No.

Will nonaccepted funds be redistributed? Yes.

No, there is no penalty for not accepting the supplemental funding. Please note that ARP COVID-19 supplemental funds that are not accepted by grant recipients will be returned to the ACF Office of Grants Management and disbursed to other grant recipients that will need additional funding to implement COVID-19 testing, vaccines, and mobile health units for domestic violence survivors.

FVPSA State Administrators and Tribes ARP COVID-19 Testing, Vaccines, & Mobile Health Units Supplemental Funding Q&A – Transfer Grant?

Can FVPSA transfer this supplemental award to another state agency? No.

No, the FVPSA Program cannot transfer the ARP COVID-19 testing, vaccines, and mobile health unit supplemental grant award to another state agency. All ARP COVID-19 testing vaccine and mobile health unit supplemental grant awards must be issued to existing FVPSA state, territory, and tribal grant recipients.

Can we partner with other agencies and tribes to implement this supplemental funding? Yes.

All FVPSA grant recipients are allowed and strongly encouraged to establish formal partnership agreements, MOUs, or interagency agreements with local/state health departments, state agencies, Indian Health Services, health centers, health care providers, and mobile health units in order to provide access to testing, vaccines, and mobile health units for domestic violence survivors and their dependents.

FVPSA State Administrators and Tribes ARP COVID-19 Testing, Vaccines, & Mobile Health Units Supplemental Funding Q&A – Combine use with other ARP Supplemental Funding

Can these funds be used in coordination with the implementation of my agency's or tribe's ARP supplemental award issued on May 20, 2021, to provide services and supports to survivors? Yes.

FVPSA grant recipients may use ARP supplemental funding issued in May 2021 in coordination with the ARP COVID-19 testing, vaccines, and mobile health units supplemental funds to provide comprehensive services and supports to meet the needs of survivors and to implement supports related to a range of in-scope activities to assist survivors and their dependents in staying safe, healthy, and healing. ARP supplemental funds allow for flexibility and creativity in how FVPSA grant recipients expand supports to bridge the gaps in services and supports needed to assist survivors and their children.

FVPSA State Administrators and Tribes ARP COVID-19 Testing, Vaccines, & Mobile Health Units Supplemental Funding Q&A – Required Allocation Percentages?

Are there required percentages for how these supplemental funds can be allocated to provide access to testing, vaccines, and mobile health units for domestic violence survivors? No.

FVPSA ARP grant recipients do not have a required percentage range for how much of the ARP supplemental funding needs to be allocated towards testing, vaccines, and mobile health units. FVPSA grant recipients have the flexibility to allocate the ARP COVID-19 testing, vaccines, and mobile health units supplemental funding to provide comprehensive services to meet the needs of survivors and to implement supports related to a range of in-scope activities to assist survivors and their dependents with mitigating the spread of COVID-19 while fleeing violence.

FVPSA State Administrators and Tribes ARP COVID-19 Testing, Vaccines, & Mobile Health Units Supplemental Funding Q&A – Match?

Is there a match required for these funds? No.

No match is required for these ARP supplemental grant awards or subawards.

FVPSA State Administrators and Tribes ARP COVID-19 Testing, Vaccines, & Mobile Health Units Supplemental Funding Q&A – End Early?

Do we have to use the funds this fiscal year? No.

ARP supplemental funds were made available on October 25, 2021 and will remain available until expended and through the end of FY 2025, September 30, 2025.

Do we have to go all the way up to 2025? No.

Can we propose to end services for this grant earlier? Yes.

Activities proposed under ARP supplemental funding may end prior to September 30, 2025. ARP supplemental funding will remain available until expended and through the end of FY 2025, September 30, 2025, but funds may be fully spent down prior to that time. All grantees have the flexibility to use the funds over multiple years based on need.

FVPSA State Administrators and Tribes ARP COVID-19 Testing, Vaccines, & Mobile Health Units Supplemental Funding Q&A– Competitive Subawards?

Is it mandated that ARP COVID-19 testing, vaccines, and mobile health units supplemental funding is awarded competitively? Are FVPSA formula funds competitive? No.

FVPSA supports community-driven solutions to address domestic violence and promotes partnerships amongst FVPSA-funded programs with community-based agencies, services, and supports.

Per the Standing Notice of Funding Opportunity, States determine the method in which funds will be distributed and awarded.

FVPSA State Administrators and Tribes ARP COVID-19 Testing, Vaccines, & Mobile Health Units Supplemental Funding Q&A– 90-day Distribution of Funds

For a myriad of reasons, our State office cannot meet the requirement to compete and distribute funds within 90 days of receipt of funding. What are we to do?

If you are not able to distribute your funds within the 90-day requirement, in your brief statement please explain why funds cannot be distributed within the timeframe required; describe your plan to distribute ARP COVID-19 testing supplemental funds to subawardees as immediately and expediently as possible, including the date by which this will occur, and the process to be used. Grantees will be expected to meet the timeframe established to make an initial disbursement and it should not be later than February 28, 2022.

If the states will provide multiple disbursements over multiple years, then please describe the distribution plan in your supplemental application proposal.

FVPSA State Administrators and Tribes ARP COVID-19 Testing, Vaccines, & Mobile Health Units Supplemental Funding Q&A – Survivors Mandated to Participate in Testing/Vaccines Services?

Are survivors mandated to participate in COVID-19 testing or vaccination programs? No.

No, in accordance with FVPSA statute and regulations, services must be provided on a voluntary basis and no condition may be applied for the receipt of emergency shelter (42 U.S.C. 10408(d)(2)). Further, recipients cannot impose conditions for admission to shelter by applying inappropriate screening methods (45 CFR 1370.10(b)(10)).

FVPSA State Administrators and Tribes ARP COVID-19 Testing, Vaccines, & Mobile Health Units Supplemental Funding Q&A– Health Care Partnerships & Collaborations?

Can we partner with health care providers to offer testing, vaccines, and mobile health unit services to survivors? Yes

All FVPSA grant recipients are allowed and strongly encouraged to establish formal agreements, MOUs, contracts, or interagency agreements with local/state health departments, state agencies, Indian Health Services, health centers, health care providers, mobile health units, and other community based partners in order to provide access to testing, vaccines, and mobile health units for domestic violence survivors, domestic violence programs, tribes, and culturally specific programs in their states and local communities.

FVPSA State Administrators and Tribes ARP COVID-19 Testing, Vaccines, & Mobile Health Units Supplemental Funding Q&A– Health Care Partnerships Resources?

Are there resources to help us partner with health care providers to offer testing, vaccines, and mobile health unit services to survivors? Yes

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FVPSA State Administrators and Tribes ARP COVID-19 Testing, Vaccines, & Mobile Health Units Supplemental Funding Q&A– COVID-19 Testing Expenses?

What are allowable COVID-19 testing expenses?

COVID-19 testing, mitigation, and related expenses may include the following:

- COVID-19 testing includes viral tests to diagnose active COVID-19 infections, antibody tests to diagnose past COVID-19 infections, and other tests that the Secretary and/or Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) determines appropriate in guidance;
- Other activities to support COVID-19 testing, including planning for implementation of a COVID-19 testing program, providing interpreters and translated materials for LEP individuals, procuring supplies to provide testing, training providers and staff on COVID-19 testing procedures, and reporting data to HHS on COVID-19 testing activities; or
- Supplies to provide COVID-19 testing.

FVPSA State Administrators and Tribes ARP COVID-19 Testing, Vaccines, & Mobile Health Units Supplemental Funding Q&A– COVID-19 Vaccines Expenses?

What are allowable COVID-19 vaccine expenses?

The supplemental funding can be used for supplies and vaccine administration fees for administering the COVID-19 vaccine.

Allowable uses of funds may include, but are not limited to, the development and sharing of vaccine related outreach and education materials that are culturally competent or linguistically appropriate.

FVPSA grant recipients can use ARP COVID-19 testing, vaccines, and mobile health units supplemental funding to contract with businesses to make COVID-19 vaccines, boosters, and essential health services easily accessible for survivors in your state or local community. There are businesses that offer indoor testing, mobile buses, and mobile trailers that can collect tests and administer vaccines in a variety of settings.

FVPSA State Administrators and Tribes ARP COVID-19 Testing, Vaccines, & Mobile Health Units Supplemental Funding Q&A– Mobile Health Units Expenses?

What are allowable mobile health unit expenses?

This ARP supplemental funding is intended to assist states, territories, tribes, shelters, culturally specific organizations, and rural communities with establishing or maintaining contracts with existing mobile health units operated by hospitals, medical clinics, health centers, and public health nonprofit organizations.

This funding is intended to provide resources for contractual agreements with mobile health units to make regular visits each week to shelter locations, program locations, transitional housing locations, or tribal locations. FVPSA grant recipients are not expected to purchase or operate their own mobile health units.

FVPSA State Administrators and Tribes ARP COVID-19 Testing, Vaccines, & Mobile Health Units Supplemental Funding Q&A– Workforce Capacity Building Expenses?

What are allowable mobile health unit expenses?

Expenses to secure and maintain adequate personnel to carry out COVID-19 testing, COVID-19 mitigation activities, or mobile health unit coordination activities

Please review HHS regulations 45 CFR § part 75 "Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for HHS Awards," Subpart E—Cost Principles, https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-45/subtitle-A/subchapter-A/part-75/subpart-E?toc=1. Such expenses may include:

- Hiring bonuses and retention payments,
- Childcare,
- Transportation subsidies, and
- Other fringe or personal benefits authorized by HHS regulations (45 CFR part 75).

FVPSA State Administrators and Tribes ARP COVID-19 Testing, Vaccines, & Mobile Health Units Supplemental Funding Q&A Direct Cash Assistance

Will direct payments to survivors be an option? Has the statutory prohibition on direct payments to survivors been lifted/waived under ARP supplemental funding? No.

FVPSA Section 308(d)(1) prohibits direct payments to victims of domestic violence or their dependents, which states, *no funds provided under this title may be used as direct payment to any victim of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, or to any dependent of such victim*. Until there is an act of Congress, this prohibition remains in place.

The FVPSA Program does not have the legal authority to waive the direct payment prohibition outlined in Section 308(d)(1) to allow ARP funding to be used to make direct payments to survivors.

FVPSA State Administrators and Tribes ARP COVID-19 Testing, Vaccines, & Mobile Health Units Supplemental Funding Q&A– Vehicle Purchases

Public transportation has become limited/non-existent. Will we be able to purchase vehicles to support staff travel to areas of service where transportation doesn't exist? Yes.

Vehicle purchase is an allowable expense under the FVPSA Program. Motor vehicles are defined as general purpose equipment. Once purchased, the motor vehicle may only be used for specific grant related activities.

Under the FVPSA, grant funds may be used for the "provision of advocacy, case management services, and information and referral services, concerning issues related to family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence intervention and prevention, including … provision of transportation."

In order for a grantee to purchase a vehicle, they **will need to obtain prior written approval for the purchase** and ensure that the vehicle is used in support of FVPSA activities, ensuring victims have access to the services they need.

Request additional information from your Federal Program Officer who will assist you in coordinating approval for such request with the ACF Office of Grants Management.

FVPSA State Administrators and Tribes ARP COVID-19 Testing, Vaccines, & Mobile Health Units Supplemental Funding Q&A–Next Steps

All existing FVPSA grantees must submit a brief statement within 90 days of receiving funding:

- **By February 7, 2022, at 6:00PM ET,** the ARP supplemental funding brief statement must be uploaded at http://www.GrantSolutions.gov. This statement verifies that the state agency, tribe, or domestic violence coalition is in a position to: 1) use these funds to provide services for those affected by COVID-19 in accordance with FVPSA; and 2) accept a supplemental award.
- **By February 7, 2022, at 6:00PM ET,** FVPSA formula grantees including states, tribes, and coalitions will need to upload the ARP COVID-19 Testing, Vaccines, and Mobile Health Units Supplemental Funding Budget and Budget Narrative to Grant Solutions (within Online Data Collection System (OLDC) for formula grantees) at http://www.GrantSolutions.gov. This budget and budget narrative explain how the supplemental funding will be used. Please note that use of funds must be in alignment with the Allowable Use of Funds for ARP supplemental funding, available at https://www.acf.hhs.gov/fysb/grant-funding/2021-fvpsa-american-rescue-plan-covid-19-testing-vaccines-and-mobile-health-0

FVPSA State Administrators and Tribes ARP COVID-19 Testing, Vaccines, & Mobile Health Units Supplemental Funding Q&A– Brief Narrative Statement, Pt. 1

Brief narrative describing how funds will be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19 with an intentional focus of increasing access to COVID-19 testing, vaccines, and mobile health units to mitigate the spread of this virus and increase supports for domestic violence survivors and their dependents. Please review the FVPSA Program's allowable use of funds guidance document for states, territories, and tribes.

Review Program Instruction Guidance Memo:
https://www.acf.hhs.gov/fysb/grant-funding/2021-fvpsa-american-rescue-plan-covid-19-testing-vaccines-and-mobile-health-0

FVPSA State Administrators and Tribes ARP COVID-19 Testing, Vaccines, & Mobile Health Units Supplemental Funding Q&A– Brief Narrative Statement, Pt. 2

Brief narrative -- respond using the following categories:

- **COVID-19 Testing**—Please discuss your state's, territory's, or tribe's plan to partner with your local health department or IHS to provide domestic violence shelters, domestic violence programs, culturally specific organizations, and rural communities with resources to implement or have access to COVID-19 testing for domestic violence survivors and their dependents. Please detail your agency's plan to subaward the ARP funding to local domestic violence programs in your state within 90 days of receiving your supplemental award from the FVPSA Program.
- **Vaccine Access**—Please discuss your state's, territory's, or tribe's plan to partner with your local health department or IHS to provide domestic violence shelters, domestic violence programs, culturally specific organizations, and rural communities with resources to implement or have access to COVID-19 vaccines for domestic violence survivors and their dependents.
- **Mobile Health Units Access**—Please discuss your state's, territory's, or tribe's plan to partner with your local health department, local health center, local medical clinics, or IHS to provide domestic violence shelters, domestic violence programs, culturally specific organizations, rural communities, and tribes with resources to access to mobile health units that will provide health related services to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 for domestic violence survivors and their dependents.

What’s next in terms of training and technical assistance?

FVPSA ARP COVID-19 Testing, Vaccines, and Mobile Health Units Supplemental Funding Office Hours

Upcoming FVPSA TA

- 11/17/21, 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. ET Tribes ARP Supplemental Funding Office Hours
- 11/18/21, 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. ET FVPSA State/Territory Administrators Supplemental Funding Office Hours
- 11/18/21, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. ET FVPSA Coalitions Supplemental Funding Office Hours

** Office hours meeting invitations will be emailed out to states, tribes, and coalitions grantees.

TA is Available Through FVPSA-Funded Resource Centers

All FVPSA Resource Centers have received ARP COVID-19 supplemental funding to provide training, technical assistance, and policy/resource development.

States, territories, and tribes are strongly encouraged to leverage the expertise of the FVPSA-funded resource centers that comprise the Domestic Violence Resource Network to infuse programs with best and promising practices on trauma-informed interventions.

Website: https://www.acf.hhs.gov/fysb/family-violence-prevention-services-resource-centers

Upcoming Webinars: The National Health Resource Center on Domestic Violence will be hosting webinars in early December and January for states, coalitions, and tribes. Additional information will be sent out via email over the next few weeks.

Roles for FVPSA Technical Assistance Providers

Encourage health centers partnerships with domestic violence shelters to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 for survivors

Gaither best practices that can be featured in our innovation lab series

Identify knowledge and policy gaps that we can address through joint guidance

Track accomplishments, lessons learned, and partnership trends

Examples of Health Care Partnerships

- Project Connect - Futures Without Violence Futures Without Violence were violence-prevention and response initiatives that focused on strengthening collaborations between the public health and domestic violence fields in 2011-2014.
- Project Catalyst: State-Wide Transformation on Health, IPV, and Human Trafficking - Futures Without Violence Futures Without Violence - promotes state-level policy and systems changes that support an integrated and improved response to IPV and human trafficking in community health centers and to other needed services in domestic violence programs.
- The National Center on Domestic Violence, Trauma, and Mental Health provides technical assistance and training to enhance system responses to survivors of intimate partner violence (IPV) who are experiencing the mental health and substance use-related effects of IPV and other lifetime trauma. A 2012 study conducted by NCDVTMH in partnership with the National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors (NASMHPD) found that the majority of states who participated had a strong interest in further coordination and/or training on these issues.

Partnership Resources

There are resources to help grantees partner with health care providers to offer testing, vaccines, and mobile health unit services to survivors?

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National Health Resource Center on DV (HRC)

The HRC provides national Training and Technical Assistance including the following:

- Free, downloadable health resources focusing on various specialties, populations and key issues. Including educational and clinical tools for providers and patients.
- Hosting a yearly free webinar series with expert presenters, and cutting edge topics.
- An online toolkit for health care providers and DV advocates to prepare a clinical practice to address domestic and sexual violence, and a step-by-step online guide for community health centers on building partnerships with DV/SA advocates.
- The National Conference on Health and Domestic Violence - a multidisciplinary meeting at which health, and domestic violence experts and leaders explore the latest research and programmatic responses to domestic violence.

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www.IPVHealthPartners.org online toolkit + CUES

Guidance on:

- ✔ Enhancing patient privacy
- ✔ Disclosing limits of confidentiality
- ✔ Universal education scripts
- ✔ Reaching friends and family
- ✔ Disclosures + supportive messages
- ✔ Warm referrals to local DV programs
- ✔ Safely sharing resources
- ✔ Tech privacy tips

www.ipvhealthpartners.org

Developed by and for community health centers in partnership with domestic violence programs

+ New guidance on COVID-19 and telehealth support

Benefits for DV Programs During COVID

How can this health center partnership benefit DV/SA Program staff and clients in COVID?

- COVID testing (in-clinic and drive-through/walk-up) and vaccinations (available for staff and clients)
- Health enrollment for clients or staff (sick or not)
- Help establishing a primary care provider (PCP) – moving away from emergency-level care
- Enabling services offered by health centers (transportation, language interpretation)
- COVID operational protocol consultation (for DV programs & shelters)

Partnership Example: Health Services Delivered to DV Programs

✔ Health care delivered to survivors onsite at shelters and DV programs.

✔ Mobile health programs (vans) and mobile pharmacy delivery operated by CHCs and public health programs.

To help support:

- Health care enrollment
- Child vaccinations
- Flu shots
- Maternal health (prenatal and perinatal care; doulas, midwives and other birthing support)
- Health education

National Health Resource Center on DV: Setting/Population-Specific Safety Cards

Setting Specific and Topical

- Adolescent Health
- Behavioral Health
- HIV
- Home Visitation
- Pediatrics
- Primary Care (General Health)
- Reproductive Health and Perinatal

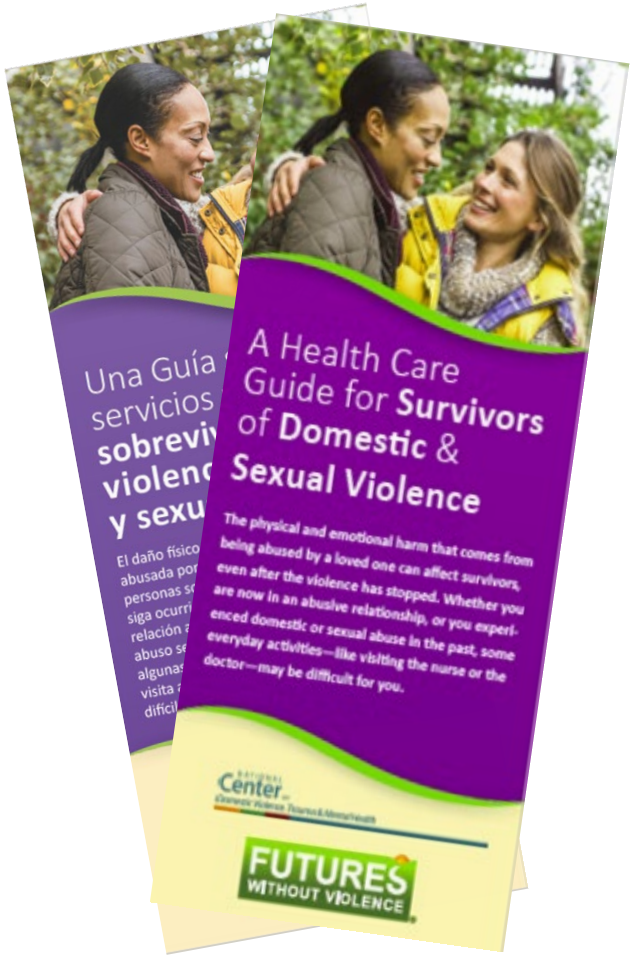
Population Specific

- American Indian/Alaska Native
- College Campus
- Hawaiian Communities
- HIV+ and HIV testing
- Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Questioning (LGBQ)
- Muslim youth
- Parents
- Pregnant or parenting teens
- Transgender/Gender Non-conforming persons
- Women across the lifespan

All cards are available in English and most are available in Spanish.

Primary care (general health) card is available in Chinese, Tagalog, Vietnamese, Korean, Armenian, French, Arabic, and Farsi

Trauma-Informed Client Health Brochure



Available in English and Spanish

FUTURES worked in partnership with Olga Trujillo, JD and the National Center on Domestic Violence, Trauma & Mental Health to develop a health brochure for those who have survived childhood or adult violence/abuse.

Helps patients with trauma-informed answers to the following questions:

- ✔ Why do I avoid visits, or have a hard time remembering what my provider tells me?
- ✔ What can I do to make my dental or health care visits less scary, or hard?

Next Steps:

- Please plan to participate in the FVPSA ARP Supplemental Funding Office Hours scheduled for November 17th and November 18th. Invitations will be shared via email.
- Please reach out to the National Health Resource Center on Domestic Violence and the National Center on Domestic Violence Trauma and Mental Health if you have questions about partnership opportunities with health care providers or behavior health providers.
- Please reach out to your FVPSA Project Officer or Grants Specialists if you have any additional questions.
- Please don't forget that supplemental proposals and verification statements are due on February 7, 2022 in OLDC via www.grantsolutions.com.
- Program Instruction Guidance Memo: https://www.acf.hhs.gov/fysb/grant-funding/2021-fvpsa-american-rescue-plan-covid-19-testing-vaccines-and-mobile-health-0

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