

**WHATCOM COUNTY CONTRACT  
INFORMATION SHEET**

Whatcom County Contract No.

202209023

Originating Department:	Prosecuting Attorney's Office
Division/Program: (i.e. Dept. Division and Program)	6510 Prosecuting Attorney Admin
Contract or Grant Administrator:	Louise Trapp
Contractor's / Agency Name:	Washington State Department of Commerce
Is this a New Contract?    If not, is this an Amendment or Renewal to an Existing Contract?    Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	
Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> If Amendment or Renewal, (per WCC 3.08.100 (a)) Original Contract #: _____	
Does contract require Council Approval?    Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> If No, include WCC: _____	
Already approved? Council Approved Date: _____ (Exclusions see: Whatcom County Codes 3.06.010, 3.08.090 and 3.08.100)	
Is this a grant agreement?	
Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> If yes, grantor agency contract number(s): <u>S23-31101-034</u> CFDA#: <u>N/A</u>	
Is this contract grant funded?	
Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> If yes, Whatcom County grant contract number(s): _____	
Is this contract the result of a RFP or Bid process?	
Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> If yes, RFP and Bid number(s): _____    Contract Cost Center: <u>14200</u>	
Is this agreement excluded from E-Verify?    No <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> If no, include Attachment D Contractor Declaration form.	
If YES, indicate exclusion(s) below:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Professional services agreement for certified/licensed professional. <input type="checkbox"/> Goods and services provided due to an emergency	
<input type="checkbox"/> Contract work is for less than \$100,000. <input type="checkbox"/> Contract for Commercial off the shelf items (COTS).	
<input type="checkbox"/> Contract work is for less than 120 days. <input type="checkbox"/> Work related subcontract less than \$25,000.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Interlocal Agreement (between Governments). <input type="checkbox"/> Public Works - Local Agency/Federally Funded FHWA.	
Contract Amount:(sum of original contract amount and any prior amendments): \$ <u>60,461.00</u>	Council approval required for; all property leases, contracts or bid awards <b>exceeding \$40,000</b> , and professional service contract amendments that have an increase greater than \$10,000 or 10% of contract amount, whichever is greater, <b>except when:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Exercising an option contained in a contract previously approved by the council.</li> <li>2. Contract is for design, construction, r-o-w acquisition, prof. services, or other capital costs approved by council in a capital budget appropriation ordinance.</li> <li>3. Bid or award is for supplies.</li> <li>4. Equipment is included in Exhibit "B" of the Budget Ordinance.</li> <li>5. Contract is for manufacturer's technical support and hardware maintenance of electronic systems and/or technical support and software maintenance from the developer of proprietary software currently used by Whatcom County.</li> </ol>
This Amendment Amount: \$ <u>0</u>	
Total Amended Amount: \$ <u>60,461.00</u>	
Summary of Scope:	
Whatcom County Prosector's Office shall furnish goods and services necessary to accomplish the activities under the SFY 2023 Victim/Witness Assistance Grant during the grant period.	
Term of Contract: 1 Year	Expiration Date: June 30, 2023

Contract Routing:	1. Prepared by: <u>Leah DeVries</u>	Date: <u>08/19/22</u>
	2. Attorney signoff: <u>CQ</u>	Date: _____
	3. AS Finance reviewed: <u>BB</u>	Date: _____
	4. IT reviewed (if IT related): _____	Date: _____
	5. Contractor signed: _____	Date: _____
	6. Submitted to Exec.: <u>TS</u>	Date: <u>09/28/22</u>
	7. Council approved (if necessary): <u>AB2022-478</u>	Date: <u>09/13/22</u>
	8. Executive signed: _____	Date: <u>9-27-22</u>
	9. Original to Council: _____	Date: <u>11-23-22</u>





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CONTRACT NO.  
202209023

**Grant Agreement with**

Whatcom County Prosecuting Attorney's Office

through

Office of Crime Victims Advocacy  
Community Services and Housing Division

**For**

SFY 2023 Victim/Witness Assistance Grant

**Start date:** July 1, 2022

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Attachment B – Budget

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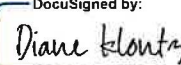
Attachment E – Subgrant Award Report (SAR)

Attachment F – EEOP Certification Form

FACE SHEET

Grant Number: S23-31101-034

Washington State Department of Commerce  
 Community Services and Housing Division  
 Office of Crime Victims Advocacy  
 SFY 2023 Victim/Witness Assistance Grant

<b>1. Grantee</b> WHATCOM COUNTY DBA WHATCOM COUNTY PROSECUTOR, 311 GRAND AVE STE 201 BELLINGHAM, WA 98225		<b>2. Grantee Doing Business As (optional)</b> Whatcom County Prosecuting Attorney's Office	
<b>3. Grantee Representative</b> Melissa Lacki Vicitm Witness Coordinator Phone: (360) 778-5710 Email: <a href="mailto:mlacki@co.whatcom.wa.us">mlacki@co.whatcom.wa.us</a>		<b>4. COMMERCE Representative</b> Cheryl Rasch Program Coordinator Phone: (360) 725-5034 <a href="mailto:cheryl.rasch@commerce.wa.gov">cheryl.rasch@commerce.wa.gov</a>	
<b>5. Grant Amount</b> \$60,461.00		<b>6. Funding Source</b> Federal: State: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: N/A:	
		<b>7. Start Date</b> 07/01/2022	<b>8. End Date</b> 06/30/2023
<b>9. Federal Funds (as applicable)</b> N/A		<b>Federal Agency:</b> N/A	<b>CFDA Number</b> N/A
		<b>Indirect Cost Rate</b> N/A	
<b>10. SWV#</b> SWV0002425-21	<b>11. UBI #</b> 602782481	<b>12. UEI #</b> NT6RMN8THTN7	
<b>13. Grant Purpose</b> To provide funding that strengthens Victim/Witness Assistance program activities.			
COMMERCE, defined as the Department of Commerce, and the Grantee, as defined above, acknowledge and accept the terms of this Grant and attachments and have executed this Grant on the date below to start as of the date and year referenced above. The rights and obligations of both parties to this Grant are governed by this Grant and the following other documents incorporated by reference: Grant Terms and Conditions including Attachment A – Scope of Work; Attachment B – Budget; Attachment C – Certification of Compliance with Federal Regulations; Attachment D – U.S. Department of Justice Certified Standard Assurances; Attachment E – Subgrant Award Report (SAR); Attachment E – EEOP Certification Form and Grantee’s Application for funding.			
<b>FOR GRANTEE</b>  Signature  Tyler Schroeder Name Deputy County Executive  Title  9/27/22 Date		<b>FOR COMMERCE</b> DocuSigned by:  Diane Klontz, Deputy Director 960DZ76CA3E4F3 9/29/2022   7:21 AM PDT Date  <b>APPROVED AS TO FORM ONLY                  BY ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL                  APPROVAL ON FILE</b>	

**SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS  
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1. **AUTHORITY**

COMMERCE and Grantee enter into this Grant pursuant to the authority granted by Chapter 39.34 RCW.

2. **AUDIT**

If the Grantee is a subrecipient and expends \$750,000 or more in federal awards from any and/or all sources in any fiscal year, the Grantee shall procure and pay for a single audit or a program-specific audit for that fiscal year. Upon completion of each audit, the Grantee shall:

- A. Submit to COMMERCE the reporting package specified in OMB Super Circular 2 C.F.R. 200.501, reports required by the program-specific audit guide (if applicable), and a copy of any management letters issued by the auditor.
- B. Submit to COMMERCE follow-up and developed corrective action plans for all audit findings.

If the Grantee is a subrecipient and expends less than \$750,000 in federal awards from any and/or all sources in any fiscal year, the Grantee shall notify COMMERCE they did not meet the single audit requirement.

The recipient understands and agrees that the DOJ awarding agency (OJP or OWW, as appropriate) and COMMERCE may withhold award funds, or may impose other related requirements, if (as determined by the DOJ awarding agency) the recipient does not satisfactorily and promptly address outstanding issues from audits required by the Part 200 Uniform Requirements (or by the terms of this award), or other outstanding issues that arise in connection with audits, investigations, or reviews of DOJ awards.

3. **BILLING PROCEDURES AND PAYMENT**

Invoices shall be submitted at least quarterly, but not more often than monthly, on the Invoice Voucher (A-19) Form provided by OCVA program staff. The Invoice Voucher shall be submitted to Cheryl Rasch, Program Coordinator, Office of Crime Victims Advocacy. Invoices can be submitted electronically by email to [cheryl.rasch@commerce.wa.gov](mailto:cheryl.rasch@commerce.wa.gov), or via Secure Access Washington and the Commerce Contract Management System (CMS).

COMMERCE will pay Grantee upon acceptance of program activities provided and receipt of properly completed invoices.

Payment shall be considered timely if made by COMMERCE within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of properly completed invoices. Payment shall be sent to the address designated by the Grantee.

COMMERCE may, in its sole discretion, terminate the Grant or withhold payments claimed by the Grantee for services rendered if the Grantee fails to satisfactorily comply with any term or condition of this Grant.

No payments in advance or in anticipation of services or supplies to be provided under this Grant shall be made by COMMERCE.

The Grantee agrees to comply with the financial and administrative requirements set forth in the current edition of the Office of Justice Programs Financial Guide, which can be found at [https://ojp.gov/financialguide/doj/pdfs/DOJ\\_FinancialGuide.pdf](https://ojp.gov/financialguide/doj/pdfs/DOJ_FinancialGuide.pdf).

**Invoices and End of Fiscal Year**

Invoices are due on the 20th of the month following the provision of services.

Final invoices for a state fiscal year may be due sooner than the 20th and Commerce will provide notification of the end of fiscal year due date.

The grantee must invoice for all expenses from the beginning of the contract through June 30, regardless of the contract start and end date.



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Duplication of Billed Costs

The Grantee shall not bill COMMERCE for services performed under this Agreement, and COMMERCE shall not pay the Grantee, if the Grantee is entitled to payment or has been or will be paid by any other source, including grants, for that service.

Disallowed Costs

The Grantee is responsible for any audit exceptions or disallowed costs incurred by its own organization or that of its subgrants/subcontracts.

COMMERCE may, in its sole discretion, withhold ten percent (10%) from each payment until acceptance by COMMERCE of the final report or completion of the project, etc.

**4. COMPENSATION**

COMMERCE shall pay an amount not to exceed **\$ 60,461.00** for the performance of all things necessary for or incidental to the performance of work as set forth in Attachment A - Scope of Work. Grantee's compensation for services rendered shall be based on the following rates or in accordance with Attachment B – Budget.

Transfer of funds between line item budget categories must be approved by the Office of Crime Victims Advocacy (OCVA) program staff. A cumulative amount of these transfers exceeding ten (10) percent of the total program budget shall be subject to justification and negotiation between the Grantee and OCVA, including approval from the Grantee's signature authority and the relevant OCVA Section Manager.

Payment will be on a reimbursement basis only.

Travel expenses incurred or paid by Grantee shall be reimbursed at a rate not to exceed the current state rate and in accordance with the State of Washington Office of Financial Management Travel Regulations. Current travel rates may be accessed at:

<https://ofm.wa.gov/sites/default/files/public/resources/travel/colormap.pdf>

In performance of the services, requirements, and activities set forth herein, the Grantee shall comply with all applicable federal requirements of the Victims of Crime Act Rule

<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2016/07/08/2016-16085/victims-of-crime-act-victim-assistance-program>.

**5. COMPLYING WITH THE SAFE STREETS ACT**

An organization that is a recipient of financial assistance subject to the nondiscrimination provisions of the Safe Streets Act, must meet two obligations: (1) complying with the federal regulation pertaining to the development of an EEOP (see 28 C.F.R. pt. 42, subpt. E) and (2) submitting to the OCR findings of discrimination (see 28 C.F.R. §§ 42.204(c), .205(c)(5)).

**6. CONFERENCES, MEETINGS, AND TRAININGS**

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable laws, regulations, policies, and official DOJ guidance (including specific cost limits, prior approval and reporting requirements, where applicable) governing the use of federal funds for expenses related to conferences (as that term is defined by DOJ), including the provision of food and/or beverages at such conferences, and costs of attendance at such conferences.

Information on the pertinent DOJ definition of conferences and the rules applicable to this award appears on the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) website at [DOJ Grants Financial Guide 2022 | III. Postaward Requirements | Office of Justice Programs \(ojp.gov\)](#).

Any training or training materials that the Grantee, or any Subgrantee at any tier, develops or delivers with OJP award funds must adhere to the OJP Training Guiding Principles for Grantees and Subgrantees, available at <https://ojp.gov/funding/ojptrainingguidingprinciples.htm>.

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**7. DEBARMENT**

- A. Grantee, defined as the primary participant and its principals, certifies by signing these Terms and Conditions that to the best of its knowledge and belief they:
1. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;
  2. Have not within a three-year period preceding this Grant, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public or private agreement or transaction, violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, receiving stolen property, making false claims, or obstruction of justice;
  3. Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1)(b) of federal Executive Order 12549; and
  4. Have not within a three-year period preceding the signing of this Grant had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause of default.
- B. Where the Grantee is unable to certify to any of the statements in this Grant, the Grantee shall attach an explanation to this Grant.
- C. The Grantee agrees by signing this Grant that it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by COMMERCE.
- D. The Grantee further agrees by signing this Grant that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," as follows, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions:

**LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTIONS**

1. The lower tier Grantee certifies, by signing this Grant that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.
  2. Where the lower tier Grantee is unable to certify to any of the statements in this Grant, such Grantee shall attach an explanation to this Grant.
- E. The terms **covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, person, primary covered transaction, principal, and voluntarily excluded**, as used in this section, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of the rules implementing Executive Order 12549.

**8. EXAMINATION OF RECORDS**

The Grantee authorizes Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) and/or the Office of the Chief Financial Officer (OCFO), and its representatives, access to and the right to examine all records, books, paper or documents related to the VOCA grant.

The State will further ensure that all VOCA subgrantees will authorize representatives of OVC and OCFO access to and the right to examine all records, books, paper or documents related to the VOCA grant.

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**9. FRAUD AND OTHER LOSS REPORTING**

Contractor/Grantee shall report in writing all known or suspected fraud or other loss of any funds or other property furnished under this Contract immediately or as soon as practicable to the Commerce Representative identified on the Face Sheet.

**10. GRANT MANAGEMENT**

The Representative for each of the parties shall be responsible for and shall be the contact person for all communications and billings regarding the performance of this Grant.

The Representative for COMMERCE and their grant information are identified on the Face Sheet of this Grant.

The Representative for the Grantee and their contact information are identified on the Face Sheet of this Grant.

**11. GRANT MODIFICATION**

Notwithstanding any provision of this Grant to the contrary, at any time during the grant period, COMMERCE may, by written notification to the Grantee and without notice to any known guarantor or surety, make changes within the general scope of the program activities to be performed under this Grant. All other modifications shall not be valid unless made in writing and signed by the parties. Any oral understandings and agreements not incorporated herein, unless made in writing and signed by the parties hereto, shall not be binding.

Notwithstanding any provision of this Grant to the contrary, at any time during the grant period, COMMERCE may analyze grant expenditures as a proportion of the grant budget. If COMMERCE determines, in its sole discretion, that the grant funding is underutilized, COMMERCE, in its sole discretion, may unilaterally modify the Grant to reduce the balance of the grant budget. Funds de-obligated by COMMERCE as a result of a budget reduction may be made available to other grantees for the provision of eligible program activities.

**12. INSURANCE**

Each party certifies that it is self-insured under the State's or local government self-insurance liability program, and shall be responsible for losses for which it is found liable.

**13. NON-COMPLIANCE WITH NON-DISCRIMINATION LAWS**

During the performance of this Grant, the Grantee shall comply with all federal, state, and local nondiscrimination laws, regulations and policies. In the event of the Grantee's non-compliance or refusal to comply with any nondiscrimination law, regulation or policy, this Grant may be rescinded, canceled or terminated in whole or in part, and the Grantee may be declared ineligible for further Grants. The Grantee shall, however, be given a reasonable time in which to cure this noncompliance. Any dispute may be resolved in accordance with the "Disputes" procedure set forth herein.

**14. NON-SUPPLANTING**

The Grantee agrees that Grant funds will be used to supplement, not supplant, non-federal funds that would otherwise be available for the activities under this Grant. Violation of the non-supplanting requirement can result in a range of penalties, including suspension of future funds under this Grant, recoupment of monies provided under this Grant, and civil and/or criminal penalties.

**15. POTENTIAL FRAUD, WASTE, ABUSE AND SIMILAR MISCONDUCT**

The Grantee agrees to promptly refer to the Department of Justice Office of the Inspector General (OIG) any credible evidence that a principal, employee, agent, subgrantee, or other person has, in connection with funds under this award – (1) submitted a claim that violates the False Claims Act; or (2) committed a criminal or civil violation of laws pertaining to fraud, conflict of interest, bribery, gratuity, or similar misconduct.

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Potential fraud, waste, abuse, or misconduct involving or relating to funds under this award should be reported to the OIG by – (1) mail directed to: Office of the Inspector General, U.S. Department of Justice, Investigations Divisions, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Room 4706, Washington, DC 20530; (2) email to: [oig\\_hotline@usdoj.gov](mailto:oig_hotline@usdoj.gov); and/or (3) the DOJ OIG hotline: (800) 869-4499 (phone) or (202) 616-9881 (fax).

**16. POTENTIAL IMPOSITION OF ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

As applicable. The recipient agrees to comply with any additional requirements that may be imposed by the DOJ awarding agency (OJP or OVW, as appropriate) during the period of performance for this award, if the recipient is designated as "high risk" for purposes of the DOJ high-risk grantee list.

DOJ monitors and evaluates risk for COMMERCE, and COMMERCE monitors and evaluates risk for Grantees. Grantee agrees to comply with any additional requirements that may be imposed if COMMERCE has designated the Grantee as "high risk" via risk assessment and monitoring procedures.

**17. REPORTING**

Grantees must collect and maintain data that measure the performance and effectiveness of work done under this grant.

If providing direct services or outreach, the Grantee shall submit data quarterly in the InfoNet data collection system, relative to the provision of SFY 2023 Victim/Witness Assistance Grant services. Report data will be due in InfoNet no later than the fifteenth day following the end of each quarter.

The Grantee shall submit non-personally identifying demographic, service and compliance data required by state funding sources in the InfoNet data collection system. The Grantee shall maintain documentation and records that support the data reported in InfoNet.

The Grantee shall establish and maintain written procedures for the security of InfoNet use at its site. Procedures shall include:

- Only authorized staff are provided access to the InfoNet data and files;
- Staff are informed of the need for security and confidentiality of data and files maintained in or available through the InfoNet system; and
- That the Grantee shall notify the Department Program Coordinator for this grant when an employee is no longer authorized to access the InfoNet system.

**Quarterly Performance Reports**

As applicable. The recipient agrees to submit (and, as necessary, require sub-recipients to submit) quarterly performance reports on the performance metrics identified by OVC, and in the manner required by OVC. This information on the activities supported by the award funding will assist in assessing the effects that VOCA Victim Assistance funds have had on services to crime victims within the jurisdiction.

Grantees submit this information to COMMERCE via InfoNet, COMMERCE reports to OVC.

Grantees may be required to submit narrative reports in addition to the InfoNet data. See funding application for details.

**18. REQUIREMENT OF REMEDIES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE AND MATERIALLY FALSE STATEMENTS**

The conditions of this award are material requirements of the award. Compliance with any certifications or assurances submitted by or on behalf of the recipient that relate to conduct during the period of performance also is a material requirement of this award.

Failure to comply with any one or more of these award requirements -- whether a condition set out in full below, a condition incorporated by reference below, or a certification or assurance related to conduct during the award period may result in the Office of Justice Programs ("OJP") taking appropriate action with respect to the recipient and the award. Among other things, the OJP may withhold award funds, disallow costs, or suspend or terminate the award.

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The Department of Justice ("DOJ"), including OJP, also may take other legal action as appropriate.

Any materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement to the federal government related to this award (or concealment or omission of a material fact) may be the subject of criminal prosecution (including under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and/or 1621, and/or 34 U.S.C. 10271-10273), and also may lead to imposition of civil penalties and administrative remedies for false claims or otherwise (including under 31 U.S.C. 3729-3730 and 3801-3812).

Should any provision of a requirement of this award be held to be invalid or unenforceable by its terms, that provision shall first be applied with a limited construction so as to give it the maximum effect permitted by law. Should it be held, instead, that the provision is utterly invalid or - unenforceable, such provision shall be deemed severable from this award.

**19. SERVICES TO LIMITED-ENGLISH-PROFICIENT (LEP) PERSONS**

To ensure compliance with Title VI and the Safe Streets Act, Grantees are required to take reasonable steps to ensure that LEP persons have meaningful access to their programs. Meaningful access may entail providing language assistance services, including interpretation and translation services, where necessary. Grantees are encouraged to consider the need for language services for LEP persons served or encountered both in developing their programs and budgets and in conducting their programs and activities. Reasonable costs associated with providing meaningful access for LEP individuals are considered allowable program costs. Additional assistance regarding LEP obligations and information may be found at [www.lep.gov](http://www.lep.gov).

**20. SUBCONTRACTOR DATA COLLECTION**

Grantee will submit reports, in a form and format to be provided by Commerce and at intervals as agreed by the parties, regarding work under this Grant performed by subcontractors and the portion of Grant funds expended for work performed by subcontractors, including but not necessarily limited to minority-owned, woman-owned, and veteran-owned business subcontractors. "Subcontractors" shall mean subcontractors of any tier.

**21. SUBAWARDS ("SUBGRANTS") SPECIFIC FEDERAL AUTHORIZATION**

As applicable. The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable requirements for authorization of any subaward. This condition applies to agreements that -- for purposes of federal grants administrative requirements -- OJP considers a "subaward" (and therefore does not consider a procurement "contract").

The details of the requirement for authorization of any subaward are posted on the OJP web site at <https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/SubawardAuthorization.htm> (Award condition: All subawards ("subgrants") must have specific federal authorization), and are incorporated by reference here.

**22. SUBGRANT AWARD REPORT (SAR)**

The recipient must submit a Subgrant Award Report (SAR) to OVC for each subrecipient of the VOCA victim assistance funds, within ninety (90) days of awarding funds to the subrecipient. Recipients must submit this information through the automated system.

Grantees submit this information to COMMERCE, who then submits this information to OVC.

**23. SPECIFIC APPROVAL REQUIRED IN PROCUREMENT EXCEEDING \$250,000**

As applicable. The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable requirements to obtain specific advance approval to use a noncompetitive approach in any procurement contract that would exceed the Simplified Acquisition Threshold (currently, \$250,000). This condition applies to agreements that -- for purposes of federal grants administrative requirements -- OJP considers a procurement "contract" (and therefore does not consider a subaward).

The details of the requirement for advance approval to use a noncompetitive approach in a procurement contract under an OJP award are posted on the OJP web site at <https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/NoncompetitiveProcurement.htm> (Award condition: Specific post-

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award approval required to use a noncompetitive approach in a procurement contract (if contract would exceed \$250,000)), and are incorporated by reference here.

**24. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE**

In the event of an inconsistency in this Grant, the inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order:

- Applicable federal and state of Washington statutes and regulations
- Special Terms and Conditions
- General Terms and Conditions
- Attachment A – Scope of Work
- Attachment B – Budget
- Attachment C – Certification of Compliance with Federal Regulations
- Attachment D – U.S. Department of Justice Certified Standard Assurances
- SFY 2023 Victim/Witness Assistance Grant Application for Funding as submitted and approved by COMMERCE

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**1. DEFINITIONS**

As used throughout this Grant, the following terms shall have the meaning set forth below:

- A. "Authorized Representative" shall mean the Director and/or the designee authorized in writing to act on the Director's behalf.
- B. "COMMERCE" shall mean the Department of Commerce.
- C. "Grant" or "Agreement" means the entire written agreement between COMMERCE and the Grantee, including any Exhibits, documents, or materials incorporated by reference. E-mail or Facsimile transmission of a signed copy of this contract shall be the same as delivery of an original.
- D. "Grantee" shall mean the entity identified on the face sheet performing service(s) under this Grant, and shall include all employees and agents of the Grantee.
- E. "Personal Information" shall mean information identifiable to any person, including, but not limited to, information that relates to a person's name, health, finances, education, business, use or receipt of governmental services or other activities, addresses, telephone numbers, social security numbers, driver license numbers, other identifying numbers, and any financial identifiers.
- F. "State" shall mean the state of Washington.
- G. "Subgrantee/subcontractor" shall mean one not in the employment of the Grantee, who is performing all or part of those services under this Grant under a separate Grant with the Grantee. The terms "subgrantee/subcontractor" refers to any tier.
- H. "Subrecipient" shall mean a non-federal entity that expends federal awards received from a pass-through entity to carry out a federal program, but does not include an individual that is a beneficiary of such a program. It also excludes vendors that receive federal funds in exchange for goods and/or services in the course of normal trade or commerce.
- I. "Vendor" is an entity that agrees to provide the amount and kind of services requested by COMMERCE; provides services under the grant only to those beneficiaries individually determined to be eligible by COMMERCE and, provides services on a fee-for-service or per-unit basis with contractual penalties if the entity fails to meet program performance standards.

**2. ACCESS TO DATA**

In compliance with RCW 39.26.180, the Grantee shall provide access to data generated under this Grant to COMMERCE, the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee, and the Office of the State Auditor at no additional cost. This includes access to all information that supports the findings, conclusions, and recommendations of the Grantee's reports, including computer models and the methodology for those models.

**3. ADVANCE PAYMENTS PROHIBITED**

No payments in advance of or in anticipation of goods or services to be provided under this Grant shall be made by COMMERCE.

**4. ALL WRITINGS CONTAINED HEREIN**

This Grant contains all the terms and conditions agreed upon by the parties. No other understandings, oral or otherwise, regarding the subject matter of this Grant shall be deemed to exist or to bind any of the parties hereto.

**5. AMENDMENTS**

This Grant may be amended by mutual agreement of the parties. Such amendments shall not be binding unless they are in writing and signed by personnel authorized to bind each of the parties.

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**6. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) OF 1990, PUBLIC LAW 101-336, also referred to as the "ADA" 28 CFR Part 35**

The Grantee must comply with the ADA, which provides comprehensive civil rights protection to individuals with disabilities in the areas of employment, public accommodations, state and local government services, and telecommunications.

**7. ASSIGNMENT**

Neither this Grant, nor any claim arising under this Grant, shall be transferred or assigned by the Grantee without prior written consent of COMMERCE.

**8. ATTORNEYS' FEES**

Unless expressly permitted under another provision of the Grant, in the event of litigation or other action brought to enforce Grant terms, each party agrees to bear its own attorney's fees and costs.

**9. CONFIDENTIALITY/SAFEGUARDING OF INFORMATION**

A. "Confidential Information" as used in this section includes:

1. All material provided to the Grantee by COMMERCE that is designated as "confidential" by COMMERCE;
2. All material produced by the Grantee that is designated as "confidential" by COMMERCE; and
3. All personal information in the possession of the Grantee that may not be disclosed under state or federal law. "Personal information" includes but is not limited to information related to a person's name, health, finances, education, business, use of government services, addresses, telephone numbers, social security number, driver's license number and other identifying numbers, and "Protected Health Information" under the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA).

B. The Grantee shall comply with all state and federal laws related to the use, sharing, transfer, sale, or disclosure of Confidential Information. The Grantee shall use Confidential Information solely for the purposes of this Grant and shall not use, share, transfer, sell or disclose any Confidential Information to any third party except with the prior written consent of COMMERCE or as may be required by law. The Grantee shall take all necessary steps to assure that Confidential Information is safeguarded to prevent unauthorized use, sharing, transfer, sale or disclosure of Confidential Information or violation of any state or federal laws related thereto. Upon request, the Grantee shall provide COMMERCE with its policies and procedures on confidentiality. COMMERCE may require changes to such policies and procedures as they apply to this Grant whenever COMMERCE reasonably determines that changes are necessary to prevent unauthorized disclosures. The Grantee shall make the changes within the time period specified by COMMERCE. Upon request, the Grantee shall immediately return to COMMERCE any Confidential Information that COMMERCE reasonably determines has not been adequately protected by the Grantee against unauthorized disclosure.

C. Unauthorized Use or Disclosure. The Grantee shall notify COMMERCE within five (5) working days of any unauthorized use or disclosure of any confidential information, and shall take necessary steps to mitigate the harmful effects of such use or disclosure.

**10. CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Notwithstanding any determination by the Executive Ethics Board or other tribunal, the COMMERCE may, in its sole discretion, by written notice to the CONTRACTOR terminate this contract if it is found after due notice and examination by COMMERCE that there is a violation of the Ethics in Public Service Act, Chapters 42.52 RCW and 42.23 RCW; or any similar statute involving the CONTRACTOR in the procurement of, or performance under this contract.

Specific restrictions apply to contracting with current or former state employees pursuant to chapter 42.52 of the Revised Code of Washington. The Grantee and their subcontractor(s) must identify any person employed in any capacity by the state of Washington that worked on the Commerce program



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administering this Grant, including but not limited to formulating or drafting the legislation, participating in grant procurement planning and execution, awarding grants, and monitoring grants, during the 24 month period preceding the start date of this Grant. Identify the individual by name, the agency previously or currently employed by, job title or position held, and separation date. If it is determined by COMMERCE that a conflict of interest exists, the Grantee may be disqualified from further consideration for the award of a Grant.

In the event this contract is terminated as provided above, COMMERCE shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against the Grantee as it could pursue in the event of a breach of the contract by the Grantee. The rights and remedies of COMMERCE provided for in this clause shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law. The existence of facts upon which COMMERCE makes any determination under this clause shall be an issue and may be reviewed as provided in the "Disputes" clause of this contract.

**11. COPYRIGHT**

Unless otherwise provided, all Materials produced under this Grant shall be considered "works for hire" as defined by the U.S. Copyright Act and shall be owned by COMMERCE. COMMERCE shall be considered the author of such Materials. In the event the Materials are not considered "works for hire" under the U.S. Copyright laws, the Grantee hereby irrevocably assigns all right, title, and interest in all Materials, including all intellectual property rights, moral rights, and rights of publicity to COMMERCE effective from the moment of creation of such Materials.

"Materials" means all items in any format and includes, but is not limited to, data, reports, documents, pamphlets, advertisements, books, magazines, surveys, studies, computer programs, films, tapes, and/or sound reproductions. "Ownership" includes the right to copyright, patent, register and the ability to transfer these rights.

For Materials that are delivered under the Grant, but that incorporate pre-existing materials not produced under the Grant, the Grantee hereby grants to COMMERCE a nonexclusive, royalty-free, irrevocable license (with rights to sublicense to others) in such Materials to translate, reproduce, distribute, prepare derivative works, publicly perform, and publicly display. The Grantee warrants and represents that the Grantee has all rights and permissions, including intellectual property rights, moral rights and rights of publicity, necessary to grant such a license to COMMERCE.

The Grantee shall exert all reasonable effort to advise COMMERCE, at the time of delivery of Materials furnished under this Grant, of all known or potential invasions of privacy contained therein and of any portion of such document which was not produced in the performance of this Grant. The Grantee shall provide COMMERCE with prompt written notice of each notice or claim of infringement received by the Grantee with respect to any Materials delivered under this Grant. COMMERCE shall have the right to modify or remove any restrictive markings placed upon the Materials by the Grantee.

**12. DISPUTES**

Except as otherwise provided in this Grant, when a dispute arises between the parties and it cannot be resolved by direct negotiation, either party may request a dispute hearing with the Director of COMMERCE, who may designate a neutral person to decide the dispute.

The request for a dispute hearing must:

- be in writing;
- state the disputed issues;
- state the relative positions of the parties;
- state the Grantee's name, address, and Contract number; and
- be mailed to the Director and the other party's (respondent's) Grant Representative within three (3) working days after the parties agree that they cannot resolve the dispute.

The respondent shall send a written answer to the requestor's statement to both the Director or the Director's designee and the requestor within five (5) working days.

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The Director or designee shall review the written statements and reply in writing to both parties within ten (10) working days. The Director or designee may extend this period if necessary by notifying the parties.

The decision shall not be admissible in any succeeding judicial or quasi-judicial proceeding.

The parties agree that this dispute process shall precede any action in a judicial or quasi-judicial tribunal.

Nothing in this Grant shall be construed to limit the parties' choice of a mutually acceptable alternate dispute resolution (ADR) method in addition to the dispute hearing procedure outlined above.

**13. DUPLICATE PAYMENT**

COMMERCE shall not pay the Grantee, if the GRANTEE has charged or will charge the State of Washington or any other party under any other Grant, subgrant/subcontract, or agreement, for the same services or expenses.

**14. GOVERNING LAW AND VENUE**

This Grant shall be construed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the state of Washington, and the venue of any action brought hereunder shall be in the Superior Court for Thurston County.

**15. INDEMNIFICATION**

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Grantee shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the state of Washington, COMMERCE, agencies of the state and all officials, agents and employees of the state, from and against all claims for injuries or death arising out of or resulting from the performance of the contract. "Claim" as used in this contract, means any financial loss, claim, suit, action, damage, or expense, including but not limited to attorneys' fees, attributable for bodily injury, sickness, disease, or death, or injury to or the destruction of tangible property including loss of use resulting therefrom.

The Grantee's obligation to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless includes any claim by Grantee's agents, employees, representatives, or any subgrantee/subcontractor or its employees.

The Grantee expressly agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the State for any claim arising out of or incident to Grantee's or any subgrantee's/subcontractor's performance or failure to perform the Grant. Grantee's obligation to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the State shall not be eliminated or reduced by any actual or alleged concurrent negligence of State or its agents, agencies, employees and officials.

The Grantee waives its immunity under Title 51 RCW to the extent it is required to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the state and its agencies, officers, agents or employees.

**16. INDEPENDENT CAPACITY OF THE CONTRACTOR**

The parties intend that an independent contractor relationship will be created by this Grant. The Contractor and its employees or agents performing under this Contract are not employees or agents of the state of Washington or COMMERCE. The Contractor will not hold itself out as or claim to be an officer or employee of COMMERCE or of the state of Washington by reason hereof, nor will the Contractor make any claim of right, privilege or benefit which would accrue to such officer or employee under law. Conduct and control of the work will be solely with the Contractor.

**17. INDUSTRIAL INSURANCE COVERAGE**

The Grantee shall comply with all applicable provisions of Title 51 RCW, Industrial Insurance. If the Grantee fails to provide industrial insurance coverage or fails to pay premiums or penalties on behalf of its employees as may be required by law, COMMERCE may collect from the Grantee the full amount payable to the Industrial Insurance Accident Fund. COMMERCE may deduct the amount owed by the Grantee to the accident fund from the amount payable to the Grantee by COMMERCE under this Contract, and transmit the deducted amount to the Department of Labor and Industries, (L&I) Division of Insurance Services. This provision does not waive any of L&I's rights to collect from the Grantee.

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**18. LAWS**

The Grantee shall comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, codes, regulations and policies of local, state, and federal governments, as now or hereafter amended.

**19. LICENSING, ACCREDITATION AND REGISTRATION**

The Grantee shall comply with all applicable local, state, and federal licensing, accreditation and registration requirements or standards necessary for the performance of this Contract.

**20. LIMITATION OF AUTHORITY**

Only the Authorized Representative or Authorized Representative's delegate by writing (delegation to be made prior to action) shall have the express, implied, or apparent authority to alter, amend, modify, or waive any clause or condition of this Contract. Furthermore, any alteration, amendment, modification, or waiver or any clause or condition of this contract is not effective or binding unless made in writing and signed by the Authorized Representative.

**21. NONCOMPLIANCE WITH NONDISCRIMINATION LAWS**

During the performance of this Grant, the Grantee shall comply with all federal, state, and local nondiscrimination laws, regulations and policies. In the event of the Grantee's non-compliance or refusal to comply with any nondiscrimination law, regulation or policy, this Grant may be rescinded, canceled or terminated in whole or in part, and the Grantee may be declared ineligible for further grants with COMMERCE. The Grantee shall, however, be given a reasonable time in which to cure this noncompliance. Any dispute may be resolved in accordance with the "Disputes" procedure set forth herein.

The funds provided under this contract may not be used to fund religious worship, exercise, or instruction. No person shall be required to participate in any religious worship, exercise, or instruction in order to have access to the facilities funded by this grant.

**22. PAY EQUITY**

The Grantee agrees to ensure that "similarly employed" individuals in its workforce are compensated as equals, consistent with the following:

- a. Employees are "similarly employed" if the individuals work for the same employer, the performance of the job requires comparable skill, effort, and responsibility, and the jobs are performed under similar working conditions. Job titles alone are not determinative of whether employees are similarly employed;
- b. Grantee may allow differentials in compensation for its workers if the differentials are based in good faith and on any of the following:
  - (i) A seniority system; a merit system; a system that measures earnings by quantity or quality of production; a bona fide job-related factor or factors; or a bona fide regional difference in compensation levels.
  - (ii) A bona fide job-related factor or factors may include, but not be limited to, education, training, or experience that is: Consistent with business necessity; not based on or derived from a gender-based differential; and accounts for the entire differential.
  - (iii) A bona fide regional difference in compensation level must be: Consistent with business necessity; not based on or derived from a gender-based differential; and account for the entire differential.

This Grant may be terminated by the Department, if the Department or the Department of Enterprise services determines that the Grantee is not in compliance with this provision.

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**23. POLITICAL ACTIVITIES**

Political activity of Contractor employees and officers are limited by the State Campaign Finances and Lobbying provisions of Chapter 42.17A RCW and the Federal Hatch Act, 5 USC 1501 - 1508.

No funds may be used for working for or against ballot measures or for or against the candidacy of any person for public office.

**24. PUBLICITY**

The Grantee agrees not to publish or use any advertising or publicity materials in which the state of Washington or COMMERCE's name is mentioned, or language used from which the connection with the state of Washington's or COMMERCE's name may reasonably be inferred or implied, without the prior written consent of COMMERCE.

**25. RECAPTURE**

In the event that the Grantee fails to perform this Grant in accordance with state laws, federal laws, and/or the provisions of this Grant, COMMERCE reserves the right to recapture funds in an amount to compensate COMMERCE for the noncompliance in addition to any other remedies available at law or in equity.

Repayment by the Grantee of funds under this recapture provision shall occur within the time period specified by COMMERCE. In the alternative, COMMERCE may recapture such funds from payments due under this Grant.

**26. RECORDS MAINTENANCE**

The Grantee shall maintain books, records, documents, data and other evidence relating to this Grant and performance of the services described herein, including but not limited to accounting procedures and practices that sufficiently and properly reflect all direct and indirect costs of any nature expended in the performance of this Grant.

The Grantee shall retain such records for a period of six years following the date of final payment. At no additional cost, these records, including materials generated under the Grant, shall be subject at all reasonable times to inspection, review or audit by COMMERCE, personnel duly authorized by COMMERCE, the Office of the State Auditor, and federal and state officials so authorized by law, regulation or agreement.

If any litigation, claim or audit is started before the expiration of the six (6) year period, the records shall be retained until all litigation, claims, or audit findings involving the records have been resolved.

**27. REGISTRATION WITH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE**

If required by law, the Grantee shall complete registration with the Washington State Department of Revenue.

**28. RIGHT OF INSPECTION**

The Grantee shall provide right of access to its facilities to COMMERCE, or any of its officers, or to any other authorized agent or official of the state of Washington or the federal government, at all reasonable times, in order to monitor and evaluate performance, compliance, and/or quality assurance under this Grant.

**29. SAVINGS**

In the event funding from state, federal, or other sources is withdrawn, reduced, or limited in any way after the effective date of this Grant and prior to normal completion, COMMERCE may suspend or terminate the Grant under the "Termination for Convenience" clause, without the ten calendar day notice requirement. In lieu of termination, the Grant may be amended to reflect the new funding limitations and conditions.

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**30. SEVERABILITY**

The provisions of this Grant are intended to be severable. If any term or provision is illegal or invalid for any reason whatsoever, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remainder of the Grant.

**31. SITE SECURITY**

While on COMMERCE premises, Grantee, its agents, employees, or subcontractors shall conform in all respects with physical, fire or other security policies or regulations.

**32. SUBGRANTING/SUBCONTRACTING**

The Grantee may only subcontract work contemplated under this Grant if it obtains the prior written approval of COMMERCE.

If COMMERCE approves subcontracting, the Grantee shall maintain written procedures related to subcontracting, as well as copies of all subcontracts and records related to subcontracts. For cause, COMMERCE in writing may: (a) require the Grantee to amend its subcontracting procedures as they relate to this Grant; (b) prohibit the Grantee from subcontracting with a particular person or entity; or (c) require the Grantee to rescind or amend a subcontract.

Every subcontract shall bind the Subcontractor to follow all applicable terms of this Grant. The Grantee is responsible to COMMERCE if the Subcontractor fails to comply with any applicable term or condition of this Grant. The Grantee shall appropriately monitor the activities of the Subcontractor to assure fiscal conditions of this Grant. In no event shall the existence of a subcontract operate to release or reduce the liability of the Grantee to COMMERCE for any breach in the performance of the Grantee's duties.

Every subcontract shall include a term that COMMERCE and the State of Washington are not liable for claims or damages arising from a Subcontractor's performance of the subcontract.

**33. SURVIVAL**

The terms, conditions, and warranties contained in this Grant that by their sense and context are intended to survive the completion of the performance, cancellation or termination of this Grant shall so survive.

**34. TAXES**

All payments accrued on account of payroll taxes, unemployment contributions, the Grantee's income or gross receipts, any other taxes, insurance or expenses for the Grantee or its staff shall be the sole responsibility of the Grantee.

**35. TERMINATION FOR CAUSE**

In the event COMMERCE determines the Grantee has failed to comply with the conditions of this Grant in a timely manner, COMMERCE has the right to suspend or terminate this Grant. Before suspending or terminating the Grant, COMMERCE shall notify the Grantee in writing of the need to take corrective action. If corrective action is not taken within 30 calendar days, the Grant may be terminated or suspended.

In the event of termination or suspension, the Grantee shall be liable for damages as authorized by law including, but not limited to, any cost difference between the original Grant and the replacement or cover Grant and all administrative costs directly related to the replacement Grant, e.g., cost of the competitive bidding, mailing, advertising and staff time.

COMMERCE reserves the right to suspend all or part of the Grant, withhold further payments, or prohibit the Grantee from incurring additional obligations of funds during investigation of the alleged compliance breach and pending corrective action by the Grantee or a decision by COMMERCE to terminate the Grant. A termination shall be deemed a "Termination for Convenience" if it is determined that the Grantee: (1) was not in default; or (2) failure to perform was outside of his or her control, fault or negligence.

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The rights and remedies of COMMERCE provided in this Grant are not exclusive and are, in addition to any other rights and remedies, provided by law.

**36. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE**

Except as otherwise provided in this Grant, COMMERCE may, by ten (10) business days written notice, beginning on the second day after the mailing, terminate this Grant, in whole or in part. If this Grant is so terminated, COMMERCE shall be liable only for payment required under the terms of this Grant for services rendered or goods delivered prior to the effective date of termination.

**37. TERMINATION PROCEDURES**

Upon termination of this Grant, COMMERCE, in addition to any other rights provided in this Grant, may require the Grantee to deliver to COMMERCE any property specifically produced or acquired for the performance of such part of this Grant as has been terminated. The provisions of the "Treatment of Assets" clause shall apply in such property transfer.

COMMERCE shall pay to the Grantee the agreed upon price, if separately stated, for completed work and services accepted by COMMERCE, and the amount agreed upon by the Grantee and COMMERCE for (i) completed work and services for which no separate price is stated, (ii) partially completed work and services, (iii) other property or services that are accepted by COMMERCE, and (iv) the protection and preservation of property, unless the termination is for default, in which case the Authorized Representative shall determine the extent of the liability of COMMERCE. Failure to agree with such determination shall be a dispute within the meaning of the "Disputes" clause of this Grant. COMMERCE may withhold from any amounts due the Grantee such sum as the Authorized Representative determines to be necessary to protect COMMERCE against potential loss or liability.

The rights and remedies of COMMERCE provided in this section shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this contract.

After receipt of a notice of termination, and except as otherwise directed by the Authorized Representative, the Grantee shall:

1. Stop work under the Grant on the date, and to the extent specified, in the notice;
2. Place no further orders or subgrants/subcontracts for materials, services, or facilities except as may be necessary for completion of such portion of the work under the Grant that is not terminated;
3. Assign to COMMERCE, in the manner, at the times, and to the extent directed by the Authorized Representative, all of the rights, title, and interest of the Grantee under the orders and subgrants/subcontracts so terminated, in which case COMMERCE has the right, at its discretion, to settle or pay any or all claims arising out of the termination of such orders and subgrants/subcontracts;
4. Settle all outstanding liabilities and all claims arising out of such termination of orders and subcontracts, with the approval or ratification of the Authorized Representative to the extent the Authorized Representative may require, which approval or ratification shall be final for all the purposes of this clause;
5. Transfer title to COMMERCE and deliver in the manner, at the times, and to the extent directed by the Authorized Representative any property which, if the Grant had been completed, would have been required to be furnished to COMMERCE;
6. Complete performance of such part of the work as shall not have been terminated by the Authorized Representative; and
7. Take such action as may be necessary, or as the Authorized Representative may direct, for the protection and preservation of the property related to this Grant, which is in the possession of the Grantee and in which COMMERCE has or may acquire an interest.

**38. TREATMENT OF ASSETS**

Title to all property furnished by COMMERCE shall remain in COMMERCE. Title to all property furnished by the Grantee, for the cost of which the Grantee is entitled to be reimbursed as a direct item

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of cost under this Grant, shall pass to and vest in COMMERCE upon delivery of such property by the Grantee. Title to other property, the cost of which is reimbursable to the Grantee under this Grant, shall pass to and vest in COMMERCE upon (i) issuance for use of such property in the performance of this Grant, or (ii) commencement of use of such property in the performance of this Grant, or (iii) reimbursement of the cost thereof by COMMERCE in whole or in part, whichever first occurs.

- A. Any property of COMMERCE furnished to the Grantee shall, unless otherwise provided herein or approved by COMMERCE, be used only for the performance of this Grant.
- B. The Grantee shall be responsible for any loss or damage to property of COMMERCE that results from the negligence of the Grantee or which results from the failure on the part of the Grantee to maintain and administer that property in accordance with sound management practices.
- C. If any COMMERCE property is lost, destroyed or damaged, the Grantee shall immediately notify COMMERCE and shall take all reasonable steps to protect the property from further damage.
- D. The Grantee shall surrender to COMMERCE all property of COMMERCE prior to settlement upon completion, termination or cancellation of this Grant

All reference to the Grantee under this clause shall also include Grantee's employees, agents or Subgrantees/Subcontractors.

**39. WAIVER**

Waiver of any default or breach shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any subsequent default or breach. Any waiver shall not be construed to be a modification of the terms of this Grant unless stated to be such in writing and signed by Authorized Representative of COMMERCE.

**SCOPE OF WORK**

**SFY 2023 Victim/Witness Assistance Grant**

**July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023**

Whatcom County Prosecuting Attorney's Office shall provide staff and furnish goods and services necessary to accomplish the activities under the SFY 2023 Victim/Witness Assistance Grant during the grant period.

This Grant is not a benefit or entitlement to the Grantee. It is not to be used to acquire property or services for the federal or state government's direct benefit. The principle purpose of this Grant is to provide funding for Whatcom County Prosecuting Attorney's Office to accomplish a public purpose.

Funding from this Grant must be used to support the services outlined and approved in the SFY 2023 Victim/Witness Assistance Grant funding application. Activities shall include, but not limited to:

- system-based advocacy for the victim;
- information and support for crime victims;
- assistance with obtaining protection orders or other court documents;
- assistance with restitution;
- assistance in accessing Crime Victims Compensation benefits;
- notification of hearings and other relevant events;
- referrals to other agencies which can provide information for a victim;
- ensuring that goods and services, supplies or direct costs supported by this grant program are related to issues involving support and services directly for crime victims.

**DATA REQUIREMENTS**

If providing direct services or outreach the Grantee shall submit data quarterly in the InfoNet data collection system, relative to the provision of SFY 2023 Victim/Witness Assistance Grant services. Report data will be due in InfoNet no later than **October 15, 2022; January 15, 2023, April 15, 2023,** and **with final invoice.**

**DELIVERABLES**

1. Reports – As described in Section 17 of Special Terms and Conditions
2. Audit – If required, audit must be received no later than nine (9) months after the end of the Grantee's fiscal year
3. Vouchers – Must be submitted at least quarterly

**PERFORMANCE MEASURES**

Provision of the deliverables listed above will be measured using the following performance measures:

1. 90% of required vouchers will be submitted on time
2. 100% of required reports will be completed on time



**BUDGET**

Spetmeber 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023

<b><u>Budget Item</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
<b>Salaries</b>	\$ 47,208.00
<b>Benefits</b>	\$ 13,253.00
<b>Goods and Services</b>	\$ 0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 60,461.00</b>

Transfer of funds between line item budget categories must be approved by the Office of Crime Victims Advocacy (OCVA) program staff. A cumulative amount of these transfers exceeding ten (10) percent of the total program budget shall be subject to justification and negotiation between the Grantee and OCVA, including approval from the Grantee's signature authority and the relevant OCVA Section Manager.

Food and Beverage Costs: The Grantee agrees Grant funds will not be used to purchase food and/or beverages for any meeting, conference, training, or other event, with the exception of training volunteers. Additional information may be found [DOJ Grants Financial Guide 2022 | III. Postaward Requirements | Office of Justice Programs \(ojp.gov\)](#)

No Grant funds may be used to maintain or establish a computer network unless such network blocks the viewing, downloading, and exchanging of pornography. However, this does not apply to law enforcement agencies or any other entity carrying out criminal investigations, prosecution, or adjudication activities.

Travel expenses incurred or paid by Grantee shall be reimbursed at a rate not to exceed the current state rate and in accordance with the State of Washington Office of Financial Management Travel Regulations. Current rates for travel may be accessed at <https://www.ofm.wa.gov/sites/default/files/public/resources/travel/colormap.pdf> .

Any purchase over \$5,000 must be pre-approved by COMMERCE.

## CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL REGULATIONS

All OJP award recipients, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with the requirements below. In addition, the general terms and conditions applicable to all OJP grants and cooperative agreements are available at: "[General Conditions for OJP Awards in FY 2022 | Office of Justice Programs](#)". These do not supersede any specific conditions in this award document.

### 1. **Applicability of Part 200 Uniform Requirements and DOJ Grants Financial Guide**

The recipient agrees to comply with the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements in 2 C.F.R. Part 200, as adopted and supplemented by the Department of Justice (DOJ) in 2 C.F.R. Part 2800 (together, the "Part 200 Uniform Requirements"), and the current edition of the DOJ Grants Financial Guide as posted on the OJP website, including any updated version that may be posted during the period of performance. For more information and resources on the Part 200 Uniform Requirements as they relate to OJP awards and subawards ("subgrants"), see the OJP website at <https://ojp.gov/funding/Part200UniformRequirements.htm>.

### 2. **Requirements Pertaining to Prohibited Conduct Related to Trafficking in Persons (including reporting requirements and OJP authority to terminate award)**

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable requirements (including requirements to report allegations) pertaining to prohibited conduct related to the trafficking of persons, whether on the part of recipients, subrecipients ("subgrantees"), or individuals defined (for purposes of this condition) as "employees" of the recipient or of any subrecipient.

The details of the recipient's obligations related to prohibited conduct related to trafficking in persons are posted on the OJP web site at <https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/ProhibitedConduct-Trafficking.htm> (*Award Condition: Prohibited conduct by recipients and subrecipients related to trafficking in persons (including reporting requirements and OJP authority to terminate award)*), and are incorporated by reference here.

### 3. **Employment Eligibility Verification for Hiring Under the Award**

The recipient must ensure that, as part of the hiring process for any position within the United States that is or will be funded (in whole or in part) with award funds, the recipient (or any subrecipient) properly verifies the employment eligibility of the individual who is being hired, consistent with the provisions of 8 U.S.C. § 1324a(a)(1) and (2). The details of the recipients obligations under this condition are posted on the OVW website at

<https://www.ojp.gov/funding/explore/legaloverview2022/mandatorytermsconditions#employment-eligibility-verification-for-hiring-under-the-award> (*Award Condition: Employment eligibility verification for hiring under award*), and are incorporated by reference here.

### 4. **Determinations of Suitability to Interact with Participating Minors**

The recipient, and any subrecipient at any tier, must make determinations of suitability before certain individuals may interact with participating minors. The requirement applies regardless of an individuals' employment status. Details of this requirement are posted on the OJP website at <https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/Interact-Minors.htm> (*Award condition: Determination of suitability required, in advance, for certain individuals who may interact with participating minors*), and are incorporated by reference here.

### 5. **Compliance with DOJ Regulations Pertaining to Civil Rights and Nondiscrimination - 28 C.F.R. Part 38 and 28 C.F.R Part 54**

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable requirements of 28 C.F.R. Part 38.

Among other things, 28 C.F.R. Part 38 includes rules that prohibit specific forms of discrimination on the basis of religion, a religious belief, a refusal to hold a religious belief, or refusal to attend or participate in a religious practice. Part 38 also sets out rules and requirements that pertain to recipient and subrecipient ("subgrantee") organizations that engage in or conduct explicitly religious activities,

as well as rules and requirements that pertain to recipients and subrecipients that are faith-based or religious organizations. The text of the regulation, now entitled "Partnerships with Faith-Based and Other Neighborhood Organizations," is available via the Electronic Code of Federal Regulations (currently accessible at <https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/ECFR?page=browse>), by browsing to Title 28- Judicial Administration, Chapter 1, Part 38, under e-CFR "current" data.

**6. General Appropriations – Law Restrictions on the use of Federal Funds**

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, must comply with all applicable restrictions on the use of federal funds set out in federal appropriations statutes. Pertinent restrictions, for each fiscal year, are set out at <https://www.ojp.gov/funding/explore/award-condition-general-appropriations-law-restrictions-use-federal-award-funds-fy-2021> (*General appropriations-law restrictions on use of federal funds*), and are incorporated by reference here.

**7. Unreasonable Restrictions on Competition Under the Award; Association with Federal Government**

No recipient (or subrecipient, at any tier) may (in any procurement transaction) discriminate against any person or entity on the basis of such person or entity's status as an "associate of the federal government" (or on the basis of such person or entity's status as a parent, affiliate, or subsidiary of such an associate), except as expressly set out in 2 C.F.R. 200.319(a) or as specifically authorized by DOJ.

**8. Restrictions on "Lobbying" and Policy Development**

In general, as a matter of federal law, federal funds may not be used by the recipient, or any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, either directly or indirectly, in support of the enactment, repeal, modification or adoption of any law, regulation or policy, at any level of government, in order to avoid violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1913. (There may be exceptions if an applicable federal statute specifically authorizes certain activities that otherwise would be barred by law.)

Another federal law generally prohibits federal funds awarded by OJP from being used by the recipient, or any subrecipient at any tier, to pay any person to influence (or attempt to influence) a federal agency, a Member of Congress, or Congress (or an official or employee of any of them) with respect to the awarding of a federal grant or cooperative agreement, subgrant, contract, subcontract, or loan, or with respect to actions such as renewing, extending, or modifying any such award. See 31 U.S.C. § 1352. Certain exceptions to this law apply, including an exception that applies to Indian tribes and tribal organizations.

**9. Compliance with 41 U.S.C. 4712 (including prohibitions on reprisal; notice to employees)**

The recipient (and any subrecipient at any tier) must comply with, and is subject to, all applicable provisions of 41 U.S.C. 4712, including all applicable provisions that prohibit, under specified circumstances, discrimination against an employee as reprisal for the employee's disclosure of information related to gross mismanagement of a federal grant, a gross waste of federal funds, an abuse of authority relating to a federal grant, a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety, or a violation of law, rule, or regulation related to a federal grant.

The recipient also must inform its employees, in writing (and in the predominant native language of the workforce), of employee rights and remedies under 41 U.S.C. 4712

**10. Notification of Findings of Discrimination or Non-Compliance**

In the event a state or federal court or a state or federal administrative agency makes a finding of discrimination after a due process hearing on the basis of actual or perceived race, color, religion, national origin, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, or disability against the recipient, or a program partner or participant receiving contract funds, the recipient will forward a copy of the finding to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Office of Civil Rights (OCR), and the Department of Commerce (COMMERCE).

The recipient, and any subrecipient ("subgrantee") at any tier, shall include a statement clearly stating whether or not the finding is related to any contract activity supported with a contract in which U.S. Department of Justice funds are involved, and identify all open contracts utilizing U.S. Department of Justice funding by contract number and program title.

**11. Recipient integrity and performance matters: Requirement to report information on certain civil, criminal, and administrative proceedings to SAM and FAPIIS**

The recipient must comply with any and all applicable requirements regarding reporting of information on civil, criminal, and administrative proceedings connected with (or connected to the performance of) either this OJP award or any other grant, cooperative agreement, or procurement contract from the federal government. Under certain circumstances, recipients of OJP awards are required to report information about such proceedings, through the federal System for Award Management (known as "SAM"), to the designated federal integrity and performance system (currently, "FAPIIS").

The details of recipient obligations regarding the required reporting (and updating) of information on certain civil, criminal, and administrative proceedings to the federal designated integrity and performance system (currently, "FAPIIS") within SAM are posted on the OJP web site at <https://ojp.gov/funding/FAPIIS.htm> (Award condition: Recipient Integrity and Performance Matters, including Recipient Reporting to FAPIIS), and are incorporated by reference here.

**12. FFATA reporting: Subawards and executive compensation**

As applicable. The recipient must comply with applicable requirements to report first-tier subawards ("subgrants") of \$25,000 or more and, in certain circumstances, to report the names and total compensation of the five most highly compensated executives of the recipient and first-tier subrecipients (first-tier "subgrantees") of award funds. The details of recipient obligations, which derive from the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (FFATA), are posted on the OJP web site at <https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/FFATA.htm> (Award condition: Reporting Subawards and Executive Compensation), and are incorporated by reference here.

This condition, including its reporting requirement, does not apply to-- (1) an award of less than \$25,000, or (2) an award made to an individual who received the award as a natural person (i.e., unrelated to any business or non-profit organization that he or she may own or operate in his or her name).

COMMERCE submits FFATA information on behalf of all Grantees.

As the duly Authorized Representative of the Grantee, I hereby certify that the Grantee (and any subgrantees) will comply with the above regulations, as applicable

Whatcom County Prosecuting Attorney's Office

Agency Name **Tyler Schroeder**

**Deputy County Executive**

Name of Authorized Official Title of Authorized Official

Signature of Authorized Official

Date

9/27/22

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
CERTIFIED STANDARD ASSURANCES**

On behalf of the Applicant, and in support of this application for a grant or cooperative agreement, I certify under penalty of perjury to the U.S. Department of Justice ("Department"), that all of the following are true and correct:

1. I have the authority to make the following representations on behalf of myself and the Applicant. I understand that these representations will be relied upon as material in any Department decision to make an award to the Applicant based on its application.
2. I certify that the Applicant has the legal authority to apply for the federal assistance sought by the application, and that it has the institutional, managerial, and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay any required non-federal share of project costs) to plan, manage, and complete the project described in the application properly.
3. I assure that, throughout the period of performance for the award (if any) made by the Department based on the application--
  - A. the Applicant will comply with all award requirements and all federal statutes and regulations applicable to the award;
  - B. the Applicant will require all subrecipients to comply with all applicable award requirements and all applicable federal statutes and regulations; and
  - C. the Applicant will maintain safeguards to address and prevent any organizational conflict of interest, and also to prohibit employees from using their positions in any manner that poses, or appears to pose, a personal or financial conflict of interest.
4. The Applicant understands that the federal statutes and regulations applicable to the award (if any) made by the Department based on the application specifically include statutes and regulations pertaining to civil rights and nondiscrimination, and, in addition--
  - A. the Applicant understands that the applicable statutes pertaining to civil rights will include section 601 of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000d); section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. § 794); the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. §§ 12131-34); section 901 of the Education Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. § 1681, 1683, 1685-86); and section 303 of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. §§ 6101-07);
  - B. the Applicant understands that the applicable statutes pertaining to nondiscrimination may include section 809(c) of Title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10228(c)); section 1407(e) of the Victims of Crime Act of 1984 (34 U.S.C. § 20101); section 299A(b) of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 2002 (34 U.S.C. § 11182(b));
  - C. the Applicant understands that it must require any subrecipient to comply with all such applicable statutes (and associated regulations); and
  - D. on behalf of the Applicant, I make the specific assurances set out in 28 C.F.R. §§ 42.105 and 42.204.
5. The Applicant also understands that (in addition to any applicable program-specific regulations and to applicable federal regulations that pertain to civil rights and nondiscrimination) the federal regulations applicable to the award (if any) made by the Department based on the application may include, but are not limited to, 2 C.F.R. Part 2800 (the DOJ "Part 200 Uniform Requirements") and 28 C.F.R. Parts 22 (confidentiality - research and statistical information), 23 (criminal intelligence systems), 38 (regarding faith-based or religious organizations participating in federal financial assistance programs), and 46 (human subjects protection).
6. I assure that the Applicant will assist the Department as necessary (and will require subrecipients and contractors to assist as necessary) with the Department's compliance with section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (54 U.S.C. § 306108), the Archeological and Historical Preservation

Act of 1974 (54 U.S.C. §§ 312501-312508), and the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. §§ 4321-4335), and 28 C.F.R. Parts 61 (NEPA) and 63 (floodplains and wetlands).

- 7. I assure that the Applicant will give the Department and the Government Accountability Office, through any Authorized Representative, access to, and opportunity to examine, all paper or electronic records related to the award (if any) made by the Department based on the application.
- 8. I assure that, if the Applicant is a governmental entity, with respect to the award (if any) made by the Department based on the application—
  - A. it will comply with the requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisitions Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§ 4601-4655), which govern the treatment of persons displaced as a result of federal and federally-assisted programs; and
  - B. it will comply with requirements of 5 U.S.C. §§ 1501-1508 and 7324-7328, which limit certain political activities of State or local government employees whose principal employment is in connection with an activity financed in whole or in part by federal assistance.
- 9. If the Applicant applies for and receives an award from the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS Office), I assure that as required by 34 U.S.C. § 10382(c)(11), it will, to the extent practicable and consistent with applicable law—including, but not limited to, the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act—seek, recruit, and hire qualified members of racial and ethnic minority groups and qualified women in order to further effective law enforcement by increasing their ranks within the sworn positions, as provided under 34 U.S.C. § 10382(c)(11).
- 10. If the Applicant applies for and receives a DOJ award under the STOP School Violence Act program, I assure as required by 34 U.S.C. 10552(a)(3), that it will maintain and report such data, records, and information (programmatic and financial) as DOJ may reasonably require.

I acknowledge that a materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement (or concealment or omission of a material fact) in this certification, or in the application that it supports, may be the subject of criminal prosecution (including under 18 U.S.C. §§ 1001 and/or 1621, and/or 34 U.S.C. §§ 10271-10273), and also may subject me and the Applicant to civil penalties and administrative remedies for false claims or otherwise (including under 31 U.S.C. §§ 3729-3730 and 3801-3812). I also acknowledge that the Department's awards, including certifications provided in connection with such awards, are subject to review by the Department, including by its Office of the Inspector General.

Whatcom County Prosecuting Attorney's Office

Agency Name **Tyler Schroeder**

**Deputy County Executive**

Name of Authorized Official

Title of Authorized Official

Signature of Authorized Official

**9/27/22**

Date

### Subgrant Award Report (SAR)

Complete the information below, this will be used by OCVA to complete the federal Subgrant Award Report (SAR) which collects basic information on subgrant recipients and program activities that will be implemented with VOCA plus match funds.

How to video is here: <https://vimeo.com/365156967>

1. Organization Name: **Whatcom County Prosecuting Attorney's Office**
2. VOCA Crime Victim Assistance Funds Awarded in this grant: **\$ 0.00**
3. Sub-Grant Number (number assigned to your contract): **S23-31101-034**
4. Budget and Staffing  
*Indicate below the requested information based on the subrecipient's current fiscal year. Report the total budget available to the victim services program, by source of funding. Do not report the entire agency budget, unless the entire budget is devoted to victim services programs. For example, if VOCA funds are awarded to support a victim advocate unit in a prosecutor's office, only report the budget for the victim advocate unit.*

Information Requested	Response	Explanation (as required)
A. Total budget for <b>all</b> victimization programs and services	\$	<i>The amount reported is for the current fiscal year. Include the subaward amount for this contract/grant.</i>
B. Annual funding amounts allocated to all victimization programs and/or services for the current fiscal year	State funds: \$ Local funds: \$ Other federal funds: \$ Other non-federal: \$	<i>Identify by source the amount of funds allocated to the victimization programs/services budget of the subgrantee agency.</i>  <b>DO NOT COUNT FUNDS IN MORE THAN ONE CATEGORY</b>  <i>OTHER FEDERAL includes all federal funding except the subaward amount reported in Question 2.</i>
C. Total <b>number of paid staff</b> for all subgrantee victimization program and/or services	Total Paid Staff: <i>Enter Whole Number</i>	<b>Count each staff member once. Both full and part time staff should be counted as one staff member. DO NOT prorate based on FTE.</b>
D. Number of <b>staff hours</b> funded through this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	Number of Hours:	<i>Total COUNT of hours to work by all staff supporting the work of this VOCA subaward plus match.</i>
E. Number of <b>volunteer staff</b> supporting the work of this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs and/or services	Volunteer Staff: <i>Enter Whole Number</i>	<i>COUNT each volunteer staff once. DO NOT prorate based on FTE.</i>
F. Number of <b>volunteer hours</b> supporting the work of this VOCA award (plus match) for subgrantee's victimization programs	Number of Hours:	<i>Total count of hours to work by all volunteers supporting the work of this VOCA subaward plus match.</i>





**CERTIFICATION FORM****Compliance with the Equal Employment Opportunity Plan (EEOP) Requirements**

Please read carefully the Instructions (see below) and then complete Section A or Section B or Section C, not all three.

Recipient's Name: WHATCOM COUNTY		
Address: DBA WHATCOM COUNTY PROSECUTOR 311 GRAND AVE STE 201 BELLINGHAM, WA 98225		
Is agency a <input type="checkbox"/> Direct or <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sub recipient of OJP, OVW or COPS funding?		Law Enforcement Agency? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
UEI Number: NT6RMN8THTN7	Vendor Number (only if direct recipient): N/A	
Name and Title of Contact Person: Melissa Lacki, Vicitm Witness Coordinator		
Telephone Number: (360) 778-5710	E-Mail Address: mlacki@co.whatcom.wa.us	

**Section A—Declaration Claiming Complete Exemption from the EEOP Requirement**

Please check all the following boxes that apply:

Less than fifty employees.       Indian tribe.       Medical Institution.

Nonprofit Organization.       Educational Institution.       Receiving an award less than \$25,000

I, \_\_\_\_\_ [responsible official], certify that [recipient] is not required to prepare an EEOP for the reason(s) checked above, pursuant to 28 C.F.R. § 42.302.

I further certify that \_\_\_\_\_ [recipient] will comply with all applicable federal civil rights laws that prohibit discrimination in employment and in the delivery of services.

\_\_\_\_\_ [responsible official]  
 Print or Type Name and Title      Signature      Date

**Section B—Declaration Claiming Exemption from EEOP Submission Requirement and Certifying That an EEOP Is on File for Review**

If a recipient has fifty or more employees and is receiving a single award or, subaward of \$25,000 or more, but less than \$500,000, then the recipient agency does not have to submit an EEOP to the OCR for review as long as it certifies the following (42 C.F.R. § 42.305):

Donnie LaPlante [responsible official],  
 certify that Whatcom County [recipient]  
 Which has fifty or more employees and is receiving a single award for \$25,000 or more, but less than \$500,000, has formulated an EEOP in accordance with 28 CFR pt. 42, subpt E. I further certify that within the last twenty-four months, the proper authority has formulated and signed into effect the EEOP and, as required by applicable federal law, it is available for review by the public, employees, the appropriate state planning agency, and the Office for Civil Rights, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice. The EEOP is on file at the following office:

Whatcom County Human Resources  
 [organization],  
311 Grand Ave, Bellingham, WA 98225  
 [address].

Donnie LaPlante, Associate Mgr - HR      Donnie LaPlante      8/22/22  
 Print or Type Name and Title      Signature      Date

**Section C—Declaration Stating that an EEOP Short Form Has Been Submitted to the Office for Civil Rights for Review**

If a recipient agency has fifty or more employees and is receiving a single award or subaward of \$500,000 or more, then the recipient agency must send an EEOP Short Form to the OCR for review

\_\_\_\_\_ [responsible official],  
 certify that \_\_\_\_\_ [recipient],  
 which has fifty or more employees and is receiving a single award of \$500,000 or more, has formulated an EEOP in accordance with 28 CFR pt. 42, subpt. E, and sent it for review on \_\_\_\_\_ [date] to the Office for Civil Rights, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice.

\_\_\_\_\_ [responsible official]  
 Print or Type Name and Title      Signature      Date



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Louise Trapp

MEMO TO: Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

FROM: Louise Trapp, Administrative Manager

DATE: August 19, 2022

RE: State Dept of Commerce - Victim/Witness Assistance Grant

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Attached is a contract between Whatcom County and the State Department of Commerce for your review and signature:

- **Background and Purpose:**

District Court Prosecutor's handle a large share of serious domestic violence cases, and it is the only court at the county that facilitates supervision of domestic violence offenders on probation. The legislature requires prosecutors to keep victims informed and to provide emotional support for victims of violence and sex crimes, including having the advocate present at defense interviews and judicial proceedings (R.C.W. 7.69.030). Effective prosecution depends on cooperation from victims of crime. Staffing the position is absolutely necessary to ensure the health and well-being of the community and victims of domestic violence.

- **Funding Amount and Source:**

Funding for this grant award amount will not exceed \$60,461 and is provided by the Washington State Department of Commerce. These funds will be included in the 2023 Budget and the County agrees to pay for the remaining \$11,559.00 to cover a portion of the position's salary and benefits expenses. Council approval is required as funding exceeds \$40,000.

- **Differences Between Previous Contract:**

The Prosecutor's office has received this same grant in previous years with only a few changes to the SFY2023.

- \* The award amount decreased by \$93.00 because the position is held by an employee at a lower wage.
- \* This award amount is 100% State funded with no Federal funds included in total amount.

Please contact Louise Trapp, Administrative Manager at 360-778-5716 ([ltrapp@co.whatcom.wa.us](mailto:ltrapp@co.whatcom.wa.us)) if you have any questions or concerns regarding this request.