



Alaska's Council on
Domestic Violence
& Sexual Assault

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Purpose: To empower Alaska communities to create a future free of domestic and sexual violence.

Mission: The Council promotes the prevention of domestic violence and sexual assault and provides safety for Alaskans victimized or impacted by domestic violence and sexual assault through a statewide system of crisis intervention and support, and by supporting perpetrator accountability and rehabilitation.



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Who we are and what we do!



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CDVSA was created through legislation in 1981 to build a sustainable structure to fund and support community-based services to address the needs of victims, survivors, and others impacted by the effects of domestic and sexual violence.

- Housed within the Department of Public Safety;
- Nine (9) member Board of Directors;
- Nine (9) full-time staff;
- Fund 35 community-based agencies serving Alaskans impacted by DVSA from Utqiagvik to Unalaska;
- Manage and monitor a total of 101 grant awards;
- Support statewide efforts to reduce and end domestic and sexual violence in Alaska.



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Acronyms Used in this Presentation

CDVSA Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault

DVSA Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault

VOCA Victims of Crime Act

FVPSA Family Violence Prevention and Services Act

SASP Sexual Assault Services Program

STOP Services, Training, Officers, and Prosecutors

VAWA Violence Against Women Act

FFY vs. SFY Federal Fiscal Year vs. State Fiscal Year

CSLFRF Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund

ARPA American Recovery Plan Act



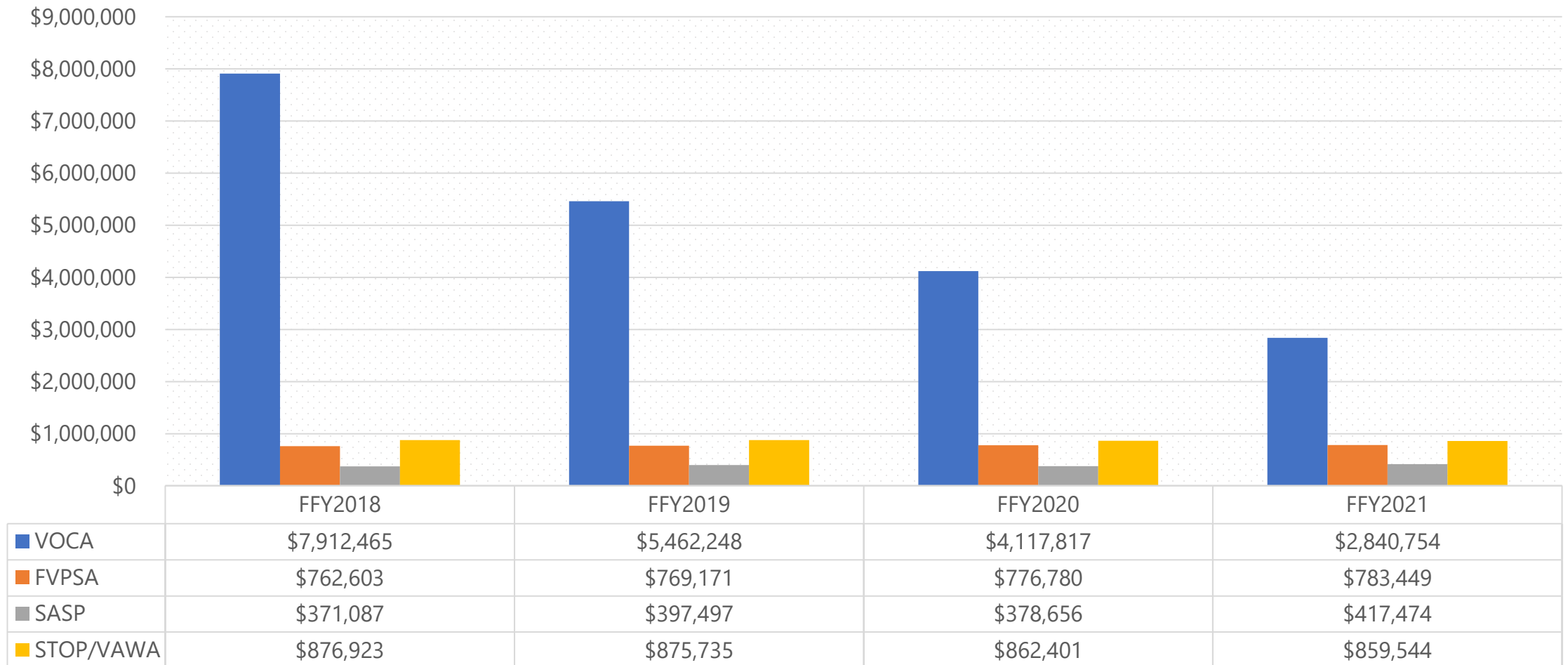
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SFY 2023 Proposed Budget Increments for CDVSA

(All \$ in Thousands)

- \$3,500.0 (Fed) for DVSA Victim Services Grants Support
- \$286.4 (193.2 UGF/93.2 Fed) and two PFT PCNs for two Program Coordinators to Manage Victim Services and Perpetrator Intervention Programs
- \$500.0 (UGF) for Alaska Family Justice Center Model Study (a component of the Governor's People First Initiative)

CDVSA Federal Formula Grants FFY2018 – FFY2021





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CDVSA SFY21-24 Grant Funding - All Grant Types

Funding Source	SFY2021	SFY2022	<i>Projected SFY2023</i>	<i>Projected SFY2024</i>
General Fund	\$8,902,662	\$8,842,500	\$8,900,000	\$8,900,000
Designated GF	\$1,411,628	\$1,426,330	\$1,468,808	\$1,480,000
Interagency Rcpts	\$173,583	\$173,583	\$173,583	\$173,583
Federal VOCA	\$9,944,303	\$3,434,839	\$2,800,000	\$3,000,000
Federal FVPSA	\$732,590	\$705,050	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000
Federal SASP	\$378,049	\$406,054	\$400,000	\$400,000
Federal VAWA	\$266,924	\$241,522	\$0	\$0
Federal CSLFRF	\$0	\$5,185,332	\$6,314,668	\$0
TOTAL	\$21,809,739	\$20,415,210	\$21,157,059	\$15,053,583



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Budget issues, challenges, and concerns

- VOCA funding is currently not stable; we were recently informed that the Crime Victim Fund is at its lowest funding level—reducing available fund for state formula grants.
- Following the VOCA Fix Act, future VOCA allocations were estimated to slowly increase over FFY2022-2024, stabilizing in FFY2025. We are now told the VOCA FFY2022 allocation will be the same or less than the FFY2021 allocation.
- As each annual VOCA allocation is reduced, we also have less funds available for administrative costs (personnel, service contracts, data collection, travel, etc.)
 - FFY2018 VOCA award was \$7,912,465 = \$395,623 in Administrative funds (5% of award);
 - FFY2021 VOCA award was \$2,840,754 = \$142,038 in Administrative funds;
 - **A reduction of Administrative funds of \$253,585.**



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Victim Service Programs need predictable funds to support victims and those impacted by DVSA in Alaska.

At this time, overall CDVSA grant funding is unstable and built on a significant amount one-time funds.

Community-based DVSA Victim Service programs require consistent, stable, and sustainable funding. Operating 24/7 emergency shelter programs is difficult emotionally and financially—uncertainty of ongoing funding creates additional stress, agency and staff insecurity, and reduced services.



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Thank You

For your attention and commitment to the needs, concerns, and outcomes for all Alaska victims and survivors of domestic and sexual violence.