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To Whom It May Concern,

This letter and subsequent documents constitute the application in response to the HHS 2024-ACF-OFVPS-FVPS-0028 funding opportunity for the State of Arkansas.

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Please contact me if any additional information is needed.

Sincerely,

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A. State Planning

(1) Provide a detailed description of how the state planning process coordinates with the state domestic violence coalition's needs assessments in order to identify service gaps or problems and develop appropriate responsive plans and programs.

The State of Arkansas has identified the Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) as the agency charged with receiving and administering victim services funds received by the state under the Family Violence Prevention Services Act (FVPSA), the Violence Against Women Act (STOP/VAWA), and the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA). To assist in identifying gaps in victim services in the state, DFA works with its statutorily required Grant Advisory Board. Members of the Grant Advisory Board are representative of the following organizations as required by the statute:

- One representative from the Arkansas Commission on Child Abuse, Rape, and Domestic Violence.
- Two representatives from the state's sexual assault coalition;
- Two representatives from the state's domestic violence coalition;
- Two representatives from the Arkansas Court Appointed Special Advocates Association;
- Two representatives from the Prosecution Coordination Commission;
- One representative selected by the Criminal Justice Institute Advisory Board for Law Enforcement Management; and
- One representative from any other Advisory Board determined to be necessary by the state administering agency, including without limitation, the elderly, non-English speaking residents, persons with disabilities, members of racial or ethnic minorities, and residents of rural or remote areas.

Members of the Grant Advisory Board also serve as committee members for the STOP Implementation Planning process.

As active members of both the Grant Advisory Board and the STOP Implementation Planning Committee, the state's domestic violence coalition, Arkansas Coalition Against Domestic Violence (ACADV), is instrumental in ensuring funding is addressing gaps in services across the state. ACADV shares the findings of its needs assessments throughout the process to ensure that the needs of the Coalition's membership and the state are coordinated. The needs assessment provides valuable information about services that are available throughout the state and helps guide the planning committee as it develops funding priorities for the next three-year cycle.

(2) Please include a full description of the entities including community organizations, partner agencies, and any other participants involved in this process.

Along with the members of the Grant Advisory Board, the following entities were represented on the most recent planning process committee:

- An elected Prosecuting Attorney
- A retired Prosecuting Attorney
- Chief of Police representing an urban area (Little Rock, AR)
- Chief of Police representing a rural area (Hope, AR)
- The Arkansas Administrative Office of the Courts
- A survivor of Domestic Violence

- The Mexican Consulate in Little Rock
- Disabilities Rights of Arkansas
- Office of the Governor
- Arkansas Department of Community Corrections
- A culturally specific service provider

(3) Provide a detailed description of the steps it has taken, or plans to take, to reach out and include the entities below in the state planning process. Please include details around the roles each entity plays.

a. the HHS-designated state domestic violence coalition.

As a statutorily mandated member of the DFA Grants Advisory Board, the HHS-designated State Domestic Violence Coalition, Arkansas Coalition Against Domestic Violence, has been and continues to be an integral part of each of our efforts. Their involvement includes developing survey questions, active participation in the previous STOP Implementation Planning process, which was adopted as the state's Victim Services Plan, reviewing and scoring applications for funding, as well as determining victim services goals for the state.

b. tribal coalition(s), if any;

Currently, there are no federally recognized tribes or tribal coalitions in the State of Arkansas.

c. community-based organizations that primarily serve underserved populations, including culturally and linguistically specific populations;

Community-based organizations involved in the efforts and activities to coordinate Arkansas's STOP Implementation Plan include the Women's Council on African American Affairs along with other service providers mentioned and the Grants Advisory Board. As a member of the Grants Advisory Board, their involvement also includes reviewing and rating applications for funding and determining the goals for the state victim services plan.

These community-based organizations primarily serve African American victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and homicide. A growing segment of their victim population is Hispanic/Latino survivors. In Central Arkansas, this victim population has significantly increased its request for services within the past three years. Historically, this survivor population was hesitant to seek services due to immigration concerns and cultural perceptions.

d. tribes; and

Currently, there are no federally or state-recognized tribes in the State of Arkansas.

e. other knowledgeable individuals and interested organizations.

Through the planning phase for the STOP Implementation Planning process, DFA became aware of several organizations that may not have been a part of the previous planning process, but represent communities that will be impacted. Included in this group are organizations that represent the disabled community, incarcerated individuals, government agencies, the Mexican consulate, the Governor's Office, educators, and survivors. These groups provided

knowledge, experience, expertise, insight, and a different point of view that helped guide the planning committee to develop a plan to was inclusive to all survivors.

- (4) Provide a detailed description of the underserved populations in the state, including the following:**
- a. identification of which populations in the state are underserved, and how they were identified:**

As a part of the STOP Implementation Planning process, the State of Arkansas reviewed 2020 U.S. Census data (which was the most recent at the time) to determine the makeup of the state’s population. The 2020 U.S. Census reported Arkansas’s population to be 3,011,524. This was an increase of 95,606 people from the 2010 census.

Along with an increase in the population of the state, Arkansas also saw a growth in the diversity of its population. Arkansas is still a predominately white state with 79% of the state population being white, but it is seeing an increase in the number of people of color living in the state. According to 2020 census data, African Americans compose 15.7% of the state’s population, Hispanics/Latinos make up 7.8%, Asians 1.7%, American Indian & Alaska Natives 1%, Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander 0.4%, and people of two or more races 2.2%.

Over the past decade, Arkansas’s Latino population increased by 27.56% from 186,050 citizens in 2010 to 256,847 citizens in 2020. The increase in the Latino population is also being seen in the overall population of Arkansas as Latinos account for almost 9% (8.53%) of Arkansas’s population. This is also an increase from 2010 when the Latino population made up 6.38% of Arkansas’s total population.

Along with a growing Latino community, Arkansas is also home to the second-largest Marshallese community within the continental United States. The concentration of this population lives mostly in Washington and Benton counties, which are in the state’s northwest corner. Approximately 15,000 Marshallese live in northwest Arkansas with almost 12,000 of them residing in the city of Springdale in Washington County.

- b. identification of the underserved populations that are being targeted for outreach and services by the state, and why they were selected;**

As part of reviewing census data for the STOP Implementation Planning process, the committee reviewed the race and ethnicity data for each of the state’s 75 counties and identified the top five counties for each underserved race and ethnicity.

Top Five Counties Per Race or Ethnicity

County	% Black or African American
Phillips County	62.43%
Jefferson County	56.25%
St. Francis County	54.40%

County	% Population Asian
Benton County	4.83%
Sebastian County	4.53%
Johnson County	3.60%

Lee County	54.22%
Crittenden County	53.79%

Scott County	2.83%
Pulaski County	2.51%

County	% American Indian or Alaskan Native
Sevier County	3.02%
Crawford County	2.47%
Sebastian County	2.26%
Scott County	2.15%
Polk County	1.90%

County	% Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
Washington County	3.58%
Randolph County	3.21%
Carroll County	1.57%
Sevier County	1.57%
Madison County	1.49%

County	% Other Race
Sevier County	19.50%
Yell County	12.55%
Bradley County	10.96%
Washington County	10.15%
Benton County	8.99%

County	% Two or More Races
Sevier County	11.29%
Benton County	11.05%
Sebastian County	10.74%
Washington County	10.50%
Crawford County	9.67%

County	% Latino
Sevier County	34.77%
Yell County	20.75%
Washington County	18.20%
Benton County	17.77%
Carroll County	15.24%

This process identified those counties that needed to be targeted to ensure that services were available to racial and ethnic underserved populations. With this information, the Implementation Committee was

able to review the currently funded project and determine where any gaps in services for underserved populations might exist.

A review of domestic violence and sexual assault victim data provided by the Arkansas Crime Information Center also highlighted the need to target these populations for services. Between 2018 and 2020, racial and ethnic populations were victims of domestic violence and sexual assault at a disproportionate rate when compared to their representation in Arkansas's population. This was the most prevalent in the African American community where 35.5% of domestic violence victims and 18.7% of sexual assault victims were African American.

c. how often the state revisits the identification and selection of the underserved populations to be served;

i. If the state does not review its demographics and other relevant metrics at least every 3 years, provide an explanation of why this process is unnecessary; and DFA, along with its Grants Advisory Board, revisits the identification and selection of the underserved populations to be served every three years as a part of its STOP Implementation Planning process.

d. identification of populations that are underserved or inadequately served.

In the State of Arkansas, populations that are underserved or inadequately served include racial and ethnic minorities, the LGBTQI community, persons with disabilities, the elderly, and geographically isolated populations.

(5) Please provide a detailed plan of how the needs of underserved populations, including people with disabilities will be met, including the following:

a. a description of the outreach plan to underserved populations, including training to be provided related to domestic violence services and prevention;

Organizations that are funded within areas that have large underserved populations typically have advocates that work with those communities. These advocates are typically members of the underserved community or have a strong connection within the community. These advocates are responsible for reaching out to the community and making them aware of the services that are provided by their agency. These advocates are available to meet with any victim from the underserved population to ensure that they are provided services that are appropriate and, in many instances, culturally specific. Advocates also provide outreach activities within the community to raise awareness of domestic violence.

b. the public information component of the underserved population outreach plan, including elements of the program that are used to explain domestic violence, the most effective and safe ways to seek help, and tools to identify available resources;

DFA has awarded funding to organizations that have, as a part of their award, developed public information campaigns to educate the community about domestic violence, how to get help, and resources that are available to help. These public information campaigns have specifically been designed to target underserved communities and provide them with information that in some instances is in their native language.

- c. the means for providing technical assistance and support to underserved populations and/or the communities and/or programs that provide them services; and**

DFA primarily provides technical assistance relative to the administration of the organization's subgrant award. DFA relies on ACADV to provide technical assistance and support to its membership and subrecipients as needed.

- d. the leadership role played by those representing and serving the underserved population in question.**

The DFA Grant Advisory Board currently has two members who not only represent underserved populations but are also providing direct services to underserved populations. Women's Council on African American Affairs is a member of the DFA Grant Advisory Board representing and providing services to the African American community and The University of Arkansas – Partners for Inclusive Communities represents and provides services to the disabled community. Representatives from both organizations are active participants on the Grant Advisory Board. Both were also active participants on the STOP Implementation Planning Committee. These agencies provide invaluable access to the needs of their community and assist DFA in ensuring that these communities are no longer underserved.

- (6) Provide a detailed description of the efforts and activities it has taken to coordinate the State's Violence Against Women Act implementation plan, the Victims of Crime Act State plan, the Rape Prevention and Education Act State plan, and the FVPSA State plan/application pursuant to the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013.**

- a. If the state has not coordinated the plans, please provide the following:**
 - i. an explanation as to why this has not occurred, including any barriers for implementation and technical assistance needed;**
 - ii. a detailed description of the state's plan to move forward on the coordination, including projected timelines for implementation and steps to overcome the barriers the state has identified.**

The Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) is responsible for administering funding received by the state from the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA), the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA), and FVPSA. Since these funding streams are administered by a singular department, all three funding sources are considered while the state is in the planning stages for its VAWA/STOP Implementation plan. The consideration of all three funding streams during the STOP implementation planning process ensures that the state develops a comprehensive plan to serve victims in the State of Arkansas. It is the practice of DFA that once the STOP Implementation Plan has been approved it be recommended to the DFA Grants Advisory Board to be accepted as the State of Arkansas's Victim Services Plan. The State of Arkansas's STOP Implementation Plan was approved in 2022.

The State of Arkansas's Rape Prevention and Education Act state plan is administered by the Arkansas Commission on Child Abuse, Rape, and Domestic Violence. As a member of the DFA Grants Advisory Board, DFA works collaboratively with the Commission to ensure all efforts of the state plan are coordinated and not conflicting.

- (7) Provide a detailed description of how often your state conducts statewide planning.**

- a. **If the state has not conducted statewide planning within the timeframes above, please provide the following:**
 - i. **an explanation as to why this has not occurred, including any barriers for implementation and technical assistance needed;**
 - ii. **a detailed description of the state’s plan to move forward on the coordination, including projected timelines for implementation and steps to overcome the barriers the state has identified.**

The State of Arkansas conducts its statewide planning every three years as a part of the STOP Implementation Planning process, which is very exhaustive and comprehensive. The previous planning process was started in 2020 with the final report to be submitted in 2021. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, states were given another year to complete their planning process. The final report was submitted to the Office on Violence Against Women in May 2022, and it was approved in November 2022.

B. Distribution of FVPSA Funding

- (1) **A detailed description of how the state consults with and includes the participation of the state domestic violence coalition and tribal coalition(s), where one exists, in the administration and distribution of FVPS funds.**

As a member of the Grant Advisory Board, ACADV is an integral part of the review process for FVPSA applications for funding. All members of the Grant Advisory Board are provided the opportunity to review every application for funding submitted and provide feedback to DFA on the merits and shortcomings of each application. The Grant Advisory Board is also provided information throughout the grant year concerning the administration of FVPSA funds. DFA and ACADV also have a close working relationship outside of ACADV’s role on the Grant Advisory Board. DFA and ACADV are in communication throughout the year about issues concerning domestic violence service providers and work together to address and resolve issues with service providers across the state.

As previously mentioned, no tribal coalitions are operating within the State of Arkansas.

- (2) **A description of the target populations to be funded, including tribes or tribal organizations (42 CFR § 1370.10(b)(6)(ii)). [The response should *not* include a shelter and/or non-residential program operating on or near a reservation without direct authorization from the tribe.**

With FVPSA funding, the State of Arkansas intends to provide operational funding to domestic violence shelters and domestic violence prevention programs across the state. Funding will be prioritized to organizations that are working with underserved populations. The targeted underserved populations include African Americans, Hispanics, people with disabilities, and the geographically isolated.

- (3) **A description of the following:**

- a. **the number of shelters and programs providing shelter through other means (i.e., hotels/motels, safe homes, etc. - see *Section I. Program Description/Definitions* for the definition of shelter) to be funded (45 CFR § 1370.10(b)(6)(iii));**

Based on the proposed allocation for FVPSA funding for 2024, it is expected that a minimum of six shelters will be funded.

b. the number of non-residential programs to be funded (45 CFR § 1370.10(b)(6)(iv)):

Based on the proposed allocation for FVPSA funding for 2024, it is expected that a minimum of three non-residential programs will be funded.

c. the primary and/or secondary prevention services/programming to be funded, if any (42 U.S.C. 10406 (a)(1)); and

Based on the proposed allocation for FVPSA funding for 2024, it is expected that a minimum of two primary and/or secondary prevention services programs will be funded.

d. the types of supportive services to be provided (42 U.S.C. 10406 (a)(2)).

The types of supportive services that will be provided by FVPSA-funded organizations include:

- Shelter Services
- Advocacy Services
- Hotline Services
- Transportation
- Case Management
- Outreach Activities
- Prevention Education
- Transitional Housing
- Community Awareness Campaigns
- Support Groups
- Mental Health Referrals
- Training for law enforcement about trauma-informed protocols for responding to domestic violence.

(4) A description of:

- a. the number of shelter and non-residential programs from the list in number 3 above that are operated by tribes and/or tribal organizations. See *Section I. Program Description/Definitions* for the definitions of tribe and tribal organizations. [The response should *not* include a shelter and/or non-residential program operating on or near a reservation without direct authorization from the tribe]. i. If the state is not funding any shelter or non-residential programs that are operated by tribes and/or tribal organizations, provide an explanation as to why this is not occurring, including any barriers and technical assistance needs.**

The State of Arkansas is not providing funding to shelter and non-residential programs that are operated by tribes or tribal organizations because there are no federal or state-recognized tribes or tribal organizations operating within the state's boundaries.

- b. the number of shelter and non-residential programs from the list in number 3 above that are operated by community-based organizations and primarily serve underserved populations, including culturally and linguistically specific populations.**

- i. If the state is not funding any shelter or non-residential programs that are operated by community-based organizations and primarily serve underserved populations, including culturally and linguistically specific populations, provide**

an explanation as to why this is not occurring, including any barriers and technical assistance needs.

Six of the programs listed above are operated by community-based organizations that primarily serve underserved populations. The underserved populations served by these programs include African Americans and the geographically isolated.

c. the specific services to be provided or enhanced for underserved populations, including new shelters or services and improved access to shelters or services.

Of the six programs listed above, three are providing culturally specific services to the African American community within their service area. The Haven of Northeast Arkansas, located in Blytheville, Arkansas, provides shelter services and direct victim services to women and children who have been subjected to domestic violence. Phoenix Youth & Family Services provides prevention, outreach, and advocacy services to a three-county area in southeast Arkansas. Women's Council on African American Affairs provides prevention, outreach, and advocacy services to an 11-county services area that encompasses parts of central, eastern, and southern Arkansas.

Three of the programs listed above are providing services to populations that are geographically isolated. These programs are in communities that are outside of the state's metropolitan areas located in central and northwest Arkansas. River Valley Shelter for Battered Women and Children provides shelter, advocacy, outreach, and transitional housing services for a three-county area in west-central Arkansas. The Safe Place provides shelter, advocacy, crisis/hotline intervention, and outreach services for a two-county area within the Ouachita Mountain region of west-central Arkansas. White River Women's Shelter provides shelter, advocacy, and crisis counseling to a five-county area that is the border between the Ozark Mountains and the Mississippi River Delta regions of the state.

(5) A detailed description of any partnerships that may be funded between domestic/dating violence organizations with documented histories of effective work and community-based organizations with a demonstrated history of serving populations in their communities, including providing culturally appropriate services.

Although no partnerships between domestic/dating violence organizations and community-based organizations are planned to be funded through FVPSA, organizations are strongly encouraged to seek out these partnerships to help enhance the services provided to victims of domestic/dating violence. Funded organizations are encouraged to develop Memorandums of Understanding (MOU) with organizations that they work closely with to provide services to clients. These MOUs outline the expectations for each organization in the partnership and help ensure that services are not duplicated within a service area.

(6) A detailed description of:

- a. any set-asides or targeted funding specifically to do training, technical assistance, outreach to increase awareness of family violence, domestic violence, and dating violence, and to increase the accessibility of services (42 U.S.C. 10408(b)(1)(D)).**
 - i. Include the amount or percentage for each portion of set-asides or targeted funding and describe the services to be provided by each. [This does not include**

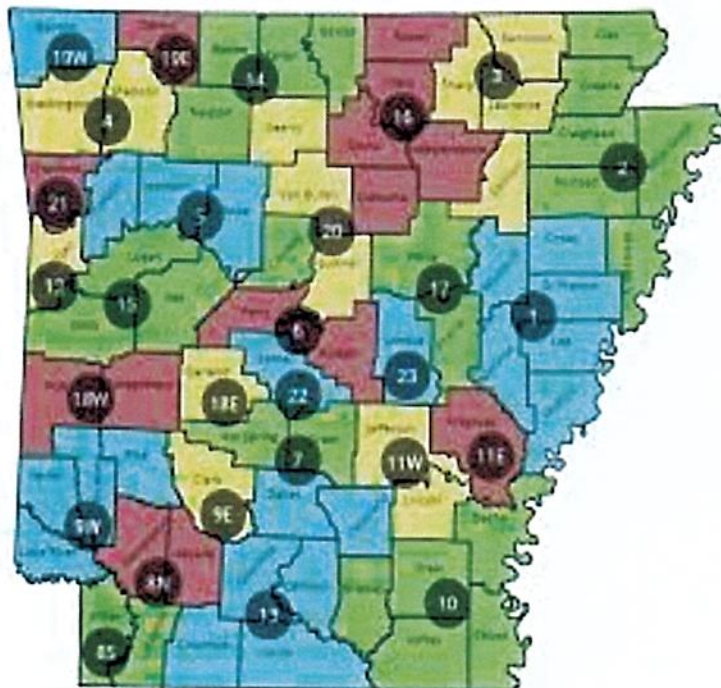
amounts that are provided to a coalition or other entity to perform administration and monitoring as a pass-through agency for the state.]

Currently, the State of Arkansas does not have FVPSA-funded set-asides or targeted funding to specifically do training, technical assistance, or outreach to increase awareness of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence.

(7) A detailed description of the following:

- a. a) the procedures used to ensure an equitable distribution of grants and grant funds within the state and between urban and rural areas.
 - i. If the state is using a state-determined definition for rural or non-metro, please provide data to support it.
 - 1. provide documentation that this definition was given to the public for comment prior to its adoption (45 CFR § 1370.10(b)(5)).
 - 2. describe the process to solicit input from the state coalition, the tribal coalition, and other stakeholders.

To help ensure that FVPSA funds are equitably distributed across the state on a geographic basis, DFA-IGS has utilized the state's judicial district breakdown. The judicial district breakdown groups together counties based on similar population and geographic characteristics. Each district has at least one catchment area where survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking could easily access victim services. The map below shows all 28 judicial districts in Arkansas and the counties that compose the district.



By utilizing the state's judicial districts, DFA-IGS can make funding decisions based on the number of FVPSA-funded projects within a certain district versus its population and

geographic size. Funding decisions can also be made as to whether certain counties in the district should be targeted for funding based on the needs of that county and the availability of services. Working within the judicial district catchments also sets up a support system for service providers within the district. Knowing that there is someone who will help work with them that is a short drive away can be encouraging for newly formed programs or program staff. These relationships will build better victim service programs and ultimately benefit all survivors who are served within the district.

b. the competitive process and/or formula, if the state is using one.

i. If funds are distributed by formula, describe the formula and how it was determined.

The State of Arkansas awards FVPSA funding through an open and competitive application process. The competitive application process ensures that all eligible organizations have the opportunity to apply for funding. Through the open application process, DFA-IGS has been introduced to victim services providers across the state that if not for the opportunity to apply for funding, there would be no knowledge of the excellent work they are doing for victims in Arkansas.

Arkansas has a biennial grant cycle with grant applications accepted through a Request for Proposals (RFP) process. Since the FVPSA RFP process is an open and competitive process, every effort is made to ensure that information about the RFP is available to anyone interested in applying for funding. The RFP is made available via DFA's website and a notification about the release of the RFP is sent to newspapers across the state, including those that reach the state's growing Hispanic community. The RFP is also emailed to all current subgrantees, as well as any other person or organization that has requested information about the RFP. The Grant Advisory Committee is also provided the RFP and is encouraged to share it on their agency's website and social media accounts.

Once the deadline for application submission has passed, the work of reviewing applications and determining which applications should be awarded funding begins. The work of reviewing the applications will be completed by DFA staff, the Grant Advisory Committee, and an independent review committee. Grant reviewers must not have a financial interest in the funding to be considered and must not have any other conflict of interest that might positively and/or negatively influence their recommendation.

In evaluating each application, the reviewers are asked to consider several factors which include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Demonstration of need, including geographic location to be served, populations to be served, other programs available, local demographics, local statistics, underserved populations, etc.
- Adequate correlation between the cost of the project and the objective(s) to be achieved
- Probability of project to meet identified goals
- Demonstration that funds will not be used to supplant other funds
- Degree of cooperation between local officials, community groups, and citizens to fulfill goals for the overall success of the project
- Demonstration that the applicant agency has met and will continue to comply with all applicable state and federal law and guidelines; and

- Overall quality of application

Funding recommendations from the three review committees are provided to the Grants Manager who then makes the final funding recommendations based on feedback and available funding. The final recommendations are then approved by the Administrator of the Office of Intergovernmental Services (IGS). With the final approval, applicants are notified of the funding decisions. Awards are made for one year with the possibility of continuing a second year based on performance and the availability of funds.

Applicants who did not receive awards are given the reasons for their denial of funds and an opportunity to appeal the denial. The appeal is reviewed by the DFA-IGS Administrator, and their decision is final.

- c. For states with set-asides or budget plans in place, identify the proposed amount of FVPSA funds to be provided to underserved populations (if known, list each population with the proposed percentage) including tribes.**

Currently, the State of Arkansas does not have FVPSA-funded set-asides in place.

- (8) A detailed description of the other sources of funding (federal, state, local, and private) that will be provided in order to meet the FVPSA requirement for addressing the needs of underserved populations, including tribal populations, with an emphasis on funding organizations that can meet unique needs including culturally and linguistically specific populations (45 CFR § 1370.10(b)(5)).**

Funding received by the State of Arkansas through the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA/STOP), the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA), and the Sexual Assault Services Formula Grant Program (SASP) are administered by DFA. Having these three funding sources along with FVPSA funds administered by the same office allows the State of Arkansas to leverage funding to ensure that the dollars have the maximum impact on behalf of survivors in the state. The coordination of these funding sources guarantees that these dollars are distributed to a greater diversity of projects across the state.

Having the ability to coordinate funding decisions for these grants out of one office is advantageous for Arkansas. The coordinator allows Arkansas to fill identified gaps in victim services, address the needs of specific underserved populations, ensure that services are not duplicated, and contribute to a funding strategy that is based on population, location of significant underserved populations, community resources, as well as federal funding award amounts and respective statutory purpose areas.

- a. For states with set-asides or budget plans in place, identify the proposed amount of these other sources of funding to be provided to underserved populations (if known, list each population with the proposed percentage), including tribes.**

The State of Arkansas does not have set-aside funding.

- b. Describe the services that will be provided using these other funds and how they meet the primary purposes under FVPSA.**

Services provided through VOCA, VAWA/STOP, and SASP funding include but are not limited to crisis intervention, advocacy, accompaniment (medical & court), hotline counseling, safety planning, emergency food, shelter, clothing, and transportation, transitional housing, prosecutorial services, law enforcement investigators, legal services (Orders of Protection, U & T Visas), and multiple other victim services. These services work toward providing safety and

security for victims of domestic violence and helping reduce incidences of domestic violence within the state.

(9) States are required to submit a budget for no more than 5 percent of the FVPSA grant funds for state administrative costs ((42 U.S.C. 10406(b)(1)). All applicants are required to submit:

- line-item project budget,
- budget justification, and
- Budget Information Standard Form, SF-424A.

This question will be addressed in Section C – Budget and Budget Justification

C. Budget and Budget Justification

	Federal Budget	Non-Federal Budget	Total Budget
Salary			
Grants Manager - 10% commitment to the project for 12 months. Annual Salary:\$67,246.40; Grant Salary:\$6,724.64; \$32.33/hr	\$6,724.64	\$60,521.76	\$67,246.40
Grants Coordinator - 50% commitment to the project for 12 months. Annual Salary: \$44,263.01; Grant Salary: \$22,131.51; \$21.28/hr	\$22,131.51	\$22,131.50	\$44,263.01
Grants Analyst - 5% commitment to the project for 12 months. Annual Salary: \$43,665.44; Grant Salary: \$2,183.27; \$20.99/hr	\$2,183.27	\$41,482.17	\$43,665.44
Fiscal Support Analyst - 10% commitment to the project for 12 months. Annual Salary: \$45,089.41; Grant Salary: \$4,508.94; \$21.68/hr	\$4,508.94	\$40,580.47	\$45,089.41
Salary Total	\$35,548.36	\$164,715.90	\$200,264.26
Fringe			
FICA - 7.65% of employee's salary	\$2,719.45	\$12,600.77	\$15,320.22
Retirement - 15.32% of employee's salary	\$5,446.01	\$25,234.48	\$30,680.48
Health Insurance - Grants Manager: \$60.50/month; Grants Coordinator: \$302.50/month; Grants Analyst: \$30.25/month; Fiscal Support Specialist: \$60.50/month	\$5,205.00	\$23,595.00	\$28,800.00
Fringe Total	\$13,370.46	\$61,430.24	\$74,800.70
Travel			
Travel - Expenses for up to 2 employees to attend FVPSA annual and regional meetings or any other FVPSA meetings.	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00
Travel Total	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00
Supplies			
Supplies - Office Supplies: \$166.67/month x 12 months	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
Supplies Total	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
Other			
Office Space	\$4,469.80	\$19,369.08	\$23,838.88
Printer Lease - \$18.57/month x 12 months	\$222.84	\$0.00	\$222.84

Office Phone - \$25/month x 12 months	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
Clockify - \$7.41/monthx12 months	\$88.95	\$0.00	\$88.95
Other Total	\$5,081.59	\$19,369.08	\$24,450.67
PROJECT TOTAL	\$66,000.41	\$245,515.22	\$311,515.63

D. Priorities, Assurances, Performance and Monitoring

(1) Provide a detailed description of the state’s plan to provide specialized services for children exposed to family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence.

- a. **The description should include victims who are members of underserved populations (45 CFR § 1370.10(a)).**
- b. **If the state is not providing specialized services to children exposed to family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, provide an explanation as to why this is not occurring, including any barriers and technical assistance needs.**

DFA administers multiple federal funding sources that support services to victims of domestic violence and family violence including child victims of crime. Each subrecipient must have a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with other victim service providers in their geographic area. Having these agreements is one way we ensure that all services available in the geographic location are available and accessible to all victims, especially child victims of crime. In Arkansas, FVPSA funds are used primarily to support shelter services. Child victims who accompany a parent into shelter care receive appropriate shelter-related services, up to and including child advocacy and therapy (if available).

It is most important that our child victims receive the needed services as they are the most vulnerable of all populations. We currently fund through VOCA 23 of the 26 Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) programs in the state. CASA projects are specific to child advocacy due to abuse and neglect. We also currently fund 13 of the 17 Child Advocacy Centers in the state. Child Advocacy Centers provide forensic interviews and examinations of children, particularly the very young who are victims of sexual assault and/or abuse. For children, being a victim of domestic violence is tragic; therefore, we are committed to ensuring child victims have access to appropriate services statewide. While the services for children mentioned may not be funded through FVPSA, they are coordinated with other services for children and the non-offending parent or guardian to ensure there is a continuum of wrap-around services for the entire family.

(2) Provide a detailed description of the state’s plan to support programs in developing and sustaining a trauma-informed approach to service provision. The description must include the following:

- a. **how the state will partner with the state domestic violence coalition to identify what is needed to do trauma-informed work with sub-recipients and victims; and**

As a member of the DFA Grant Advisory Board, ACADV is in a position to advise DFA about the procurement of trauma-informed services. As a member of the state’s planning committee, ACADV works with DFA and other committee members to ensure that trauma-informed practices are at the forefront of all decisions that are made during the planning process. As a member of the Grant Advisory Board, ACADV reviews all grant applications to ensure that the services that are being considered for funding are trauma informed.

- b. how the state will partner with the state domestic violence coalition to support training and/or technical assistance to promote trauma-informed care and to continue to build trauma-informed organizations.**

The State of Arkansas currently has an FVPSA award with ACADV to provide training to the state's service providers around trauma-informed services. Through the subgrant, ACADV provides training to currently funded DFA subgrant organizations, law enforcement agencies, and other service providers across the state about the importance of being trauma-informed and providing services that are trauma-informed to victims. Training provided through ACADV promotes trauma-informed practices and are available to any organization, regardless they are a member of the coalition or not.

(3) Provide a detailed description of the following:

- a. the means by which the state and its sub-recipients will provide meaningful access for limited English proficient individuals (45 CFR § 1370.5(e))**

DFA strongly encourages each of its subgrant organizations to ensure that their victim population has access to any services that might be needed, including translation services. Organizations that have a large non-English speaking clientele employ LEP Advocates who can communicate with the victim in their native language. Organizations are also encouraged to have printed materials in multiple languages.

- b. Provide a detailed description of the following:**

- i. the means by which the state and its sub-recipients will provide meaningful access and effective communication for individuals with disabilities (45 CFR § 1370.10(b)(2)(i)).**

DFA has partnered with the University of Arkansas – Partners for Inclusive Communities to provide trainings centered around working with the disabled community, particularly the D/deaf community to subgrant agencies. Through this partnership, subgrant agencies are provided with access to a resource that will help them effectively communicate with individuals with disabilities and, when needed, interpreters can be provided.

- ii. how the state will monitor the accessibility of services for people with disabilities.**

DFA conducts monitoring of each subgrant award every two years. As a part of the monitoring, the agency is required to document how it ensures that its program services are accessible to individuals with disabilities. DFA also makes every effort to make on-site visits to each agency at least once during a two-year period. The on-site monitoring will allow DFA staff to review the program's policies towards accessibility and to also inspect the facility to ensure that it is ADA accessible.

(4) Provide a detailed description of the following:

- a. how the state consults with and includes the participation of the state domestic violence coalition and tribal coalition(s), if any, in monitoring the distribution of grants to eligible entities and the administration of subaward programs and projects.**

As a member of DFA's Grant Advisory Board, ACADV is actively involved in the grant-making process. Members of the Grant Advisory Board review, score, and make funding recommendations for all applications that are submitted to DFA for funding consideration.

Board members are provided quarterly updates on active grant awards and the performance of awarded organizations. If any organizations are having performance issues, ACADV is available to help DFA by providing technical assistance to the organization as needed.

- b. how the state, state domestic violence coalition, and tribal coalition completed the following:**
- i. jointly identified needs and what the needs are;**
 - ii. jointly identified strategies to address the needs identified above;**
 - iii. determined grant priorities based upon the needs identified above;**
 - iv. defined mutual expectations regarding programmatic performance and monitoring; and**
 - v. implemented an annual collaboration plan that incorporates concrete steps for accomplishing the tasks above (45 CFR § 1370.10(a)).**

ACADV is an active member of DFA's Grant Advisory Board and was also a member of the planning committee that was involved in the development of the state's Victim Services Plan. As an active member of both committees, ACADV is involved with assisting DFA in identifying the needs of the state, identifying strategies to help address those needs, and establishing grant priorities for addressing those needs. ACADV, through its involvement in the Grant Advisory Board, reviews funding applications and makes funding recommendations to DFA.

In addition to reviewing applications, ACADV is also provided quarterly information concerning the performance of each subgrant. If a monitoring review indicates that there are performance issues within an organization from ACADV's membership, DFA notifies the coalition, and the two work together to determine how best to address and correct the organization's issue.

- c. If the state is not collaborating with the state domestic violence coalition and/or the tribal coalition:**
- i. provide an explanation as to why this is not occurring, including barriers and technical assistance needs.**
 - ii. provide a detailed description of the state's plan to collaborate with the state domestic violence coalition and tribal coalition, including projected timelines for implementation and steps to overcome the barriers the state has identified.**

The State of Arkansas does collaborate and has a good working relationship with the state's domestic coalition, ACADV. The State of Arkansas does not have any federally or state-recognized tribes or tribal coalitions.

- d. If the state has or plans to have a grant/contract with the state domestic violence coalition or other entity to serve as a pass-through entity of FVPSA funding for conducting administrative and monitoring activities, provide a proposed budget that describes the specific activities the entity will be performing with the amount and source of all funds to be provided.**
- i. If the state has or plans to have a grant/contract as described above, please provide a detailed description of the state's plan to monitor the activities of the sub-recipient in accordance with 45 CFR § 75.352(d) of the Uniform**

Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for HHS Awards. Additional requirements and resources about pass-through entities, can be found in Section V. of this NOFO.

The State of Arkansas does not currently, nor plan to pass through FVPSA funds to the Coalition or any other entity for conducting administrative or monitoring activities.

(5) Provide a detailed description of the expected results from the use of these grant funds including the following (45 CFR § 1370.10(b)(6)(v)):

a. program effectiveness; and

It is anticipated that FVPSA funds will increase the number of services available to victims of domestic violence access the State of Arkansas. Programs funded through FVPSA will not only ensure that victims of domestic violence have access to a safe place where they can get the help and support needed for them to escape a dangerous situation, but these programs will work to educate their communities about domestic violence and encourage families to seek help before a situation becomes uncontrollable. The effectiveness of funded programs will be measured by not only the number of people who receive their services but also the units of service that an organization provides to its clientele.

b. how the state solicits feedback from the state domestic violence coalition and tribal coalition(s), if any, on program effectiveness.

i. This may include recommendations such as establishing program standards and participating in program monitoring.

ACADV is an active member of the DFA Grant Advisory Board. As a member of the Grant Advisory Board, ACADV is provided with quarterly updates of grant-funded organizations and is able to provide feedback and ask questions if there are any concerns. DFA and ACADV have a good working relationship outside of the Grant Advisory Board. If ACADV has concerns about a funded program's effectiveness, they can communicate at any time with DFA to discuss the concerns and know that DFA will work with them to address those concerns.

(6) Provide a detailed description of the procedures that have been developed to ensure compliance with the following provisions (42 U.S.C. 10407(a)(2)(A)):

a. Non-discrimination requirements based on race, color, national origin, age, disability, religion, actual or perceived sex, gender identity, or actual or perceived sexual orientation;

Each subgrant organization must read and sign Assurance and Certifications as a part of their subgrant award packet that they will not discriminate based on race, color, national origin, age, disability, religion, actual or perceived sex, gender identity, or actual or perceived sexual orientation. The staff of DFA and the Coalition provide a variety of training sessions where this subject matter is discussed at length.

b. No income eligibility standard and no fees for assistance or services provided with FVPSA funds;

Each subgrant organization must read and sign Assurance and Certifications as a part of their subgrant award packet that clearly states victims requesting services or assistance will not have to meet an income eligibility standard to receive services.

- c. No funds provided under FVPSA may be used as direct payment to any victim or dependent of a victim;**

DFA, through its subgrant process, does not make direct payments to victims or to dependents of victims. Each organization that has a subgrant agreement assures and certifies that it will not make a direct payment to a victim or to a dependent of a victim with FVPSA or other federal funds.

- d. Voluntarily accepted services; no condition for receipt of emergency shelter; and** FVPSA-funded organizations funded through DFA assure and certify that there is no condition required of a victim for the provision of emergency shelter or other victim services.

- e. Match requirements of no less than \$1 of non-federal contributions for every \$5 of federal funds provided under FVPSA for any entity other than state or an Indian tribe.**

DFA requires no less than \$1 of non-federal contributions for every \$5 of federal funds from every FVPSA subgrant recipient. Currently, there are no subgrant awards with the state or any tribes.

(7) Provide documentation of policies, procedures, and protocols that ensure the following for individual identifiers of client records (45 CFR §1370.10(b)(9)).:

- a. records will not be used when in the course of grant monitoring;**

As a practice, DFA does not require individual identifiers of client records when performing grant monitoring. We currently, and historically, monitor against individual identifying information being reported in the subrecipient's quarterly reports. Quarterly reports on report aggregate data for services provided in the quarter as required by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

- b. confidentiality of records pertaining to any individual provided family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence prevention or intervention services will be strictly maintained; and**

Each FVPSA subgrant organization is required to have a policy on maintaining a client's confidentiality. Each subgrant organization must ensure that a client's identity is protected and any records about services provided to the client are kept confidential. DFA reviews each organization's confidentiality policy as a part of its on-site monitoring.

- c. the address or location of any shelter supported under the FVPSA will not be made public without the written authorization of the person or persons responsible for the operation of such shelter.**

Each FVPSA subgrant agreement contains the Assurance that the entity "will assure that the address or location of any shelter-facility assisted under the subgrant project will not be made public, except with the written authorization of the person or persons responsible for the operation of such shelter".

BUDGET INFORMATION - Non-Construction Programs

SECTION A - BUDGET SUMMARY

Grant Program Function or Activity (a)	Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number (b)	Estimated Unobligated Funds		New or Revised Budget		
		Federal (c)	Non-Federal (d)	Federal (e)	Non-Federal (f)	Total (g)
1. Family Violence Prevention and Services/Domestic Violence Shelter and Supportive Services/Awards to States	93.671	\$	\$	\$ 66,000.41	\$	\$ 66,000.41
2.						
3.						
4.						
5. Totals		\$	\$	\$ 66,000.41	\$	\$ 66,000.41

SECTION B - BUDGET CATEGORIES

6. Object Class Categories	GRANT PROGRAM, FUNCTION OR ACTIVITY				Total (5)
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	
	Family Violence Prevention and Services/Domestic Violence Shelter and Supportive Services/ Awards to States				
a. Personnel	\$ 35,548.36	\$	\$	\$	\$ 35,548.36
b. Fringe Benefits	13,370.46				13,370.46
c. Travel	10,000.00				10,000.00
d. Equipment					
e. Supplies	2,000.00				2,000.00
f. Contractual					
g. Construction					
h. Other	5,081.59				5,081.59
i. Total Direct Charges (sum of 6a-6h)	\$ 66,000.41				\$ 66,000.41
j. Indirect Charges					
k. TOTALS (sum of 6i and 6j)	\$ 66,000.41	\$	\$	\$	\$ 66,000.41
7. Program Income	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

SECTION C - NON-FEDERAL RESOURCES					
(a) Grant Program	(b) Applicant	(c) State	(d) Other Sources	(e) TOTALS	
8. Family Violence Prevention and Services/Domestic Violence Shelter and Supportive Services/Awards to States	\$ 245,515.22	\$	\$	\$	245,515.22
9.					
10.					
11.					
12. TOTAL (sum of lines 8-11)	\$ 245,515.22	\$	\$	\$	245,515.22

SECTION D - FORECASTED CASH NEEDS				
Total for 1st Year	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter
13. Federal	\$ 66,000.41	\$ 16,500.10	\$ 16,500.10	\$ 16,500.11
14. Non-Federal	\$ 245,515.22	\$ 61,378.80	\$ 61,378.80	\$ 61,378.82
15. TOTAL (sum of lines 13 and 14)	\$ 311,515.63	\$ 77,878.90	\$ 77,878.90	\$ 77,878.93

SECTION E - BUDGET ESTIMATES OF FEDERAL FUNDS NEEDED FOR BALANCE OF THE PROJECT				
(a) Grant Program	FUTURE FUNDING PERIODS (YEARS)			
	(b) First	(c) Second	(d) Third	(e) Fourth
16. Family Violence Prevention and Services/Domestic Violence Shelter and Supportive Services/Awards to States	\$ 77,750.40	\$ 77,750.40	\$ 77,750.40	\$ 77,750.40
17.				
18.				
19.				
20. TOTAL (sum of lines 16 - 19)	\$ 77,750.40	\$ 77,750.40	\$ 77,750.40	\$ 77,750.40

SECTION F - OTHER BUDGET INFORMATION	
21. Direct Charges:	
22. Indirect Charges:	
23. Remarks:	

APPENDIX A - Assurance of Compliance with Grant Requirements

By signing and submitting this document, the applicant or recipient agrees to comply with all requirements of the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA), including, but not limited to, the following conditions imposed by the FVPSA at 42 U.S.C 10401 et seq. and 45 CFR Part 1370.

- (1) Grant funds will be distributed to local public agencies or nonprofit private organizations (including faith-based and charitable organizations, community-based organizations, tribal organizations, and voluntary associations) that assist victims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, and their dependents, and that have a documented history of effective work concerning family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence. States may also distribute FVPSA funds to a partnership of two or more agencies or organizations that includes an agency or organization with a documented history of effective work and an agency or organization with a demonstrated history of serving populations in their communities, including providing culturally appropriate services (42 U.S.C.10408(c)(1) and (c)(2)).
- (2) Grant funds will be used for programs and projects within the state that are designed to provide immediate shelter, supportive services, and prevention services to adult and youth victims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, and their dependents (42 U.S.C. 10408(a)).
- (3) In distributing the funds, the state will emphasize the support of effective community-based projects that are carried out by nonprofit, private organizations whose primary purpose is the operation of shelters for victims of family violence, domestic violence, and dating violence, and their dependents; or whose primary purpose is to provide counseling, advocacy, and self-help services to victims of family violence, domestic violence, and dating violence, and their dependents (42 U.S.C. 10407(a)(2)(B)(iii)).
- (4) Not less than 70 percent of the funds distributed shall be for the primary purpose of providing immediate shelter and supportive services to adult and youth victims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, and their dependents, including paying for the operation and administrative expenses of the facilities for such shelter (42 U.S.C. 10408(b)(2)).
- (5) Not less than 25 percent of the funds distributed shall be for the purpose of providing supportive services and prevention services to victims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, and their dependents, as described in 42 U.S.C. 10408(b)(1)(B) H).
- (6) Not more than 5 percent of the funds will be used for state administrative costs (42 U.S.C. 10407(a)(2)(B)(i)).
- (7) The state recipient will provide an equitable distribution of grants and grant funds within

the state and between urban and rural areas within the state (42 U.S.C. 10407(a)(2)(C)).

- (8) The state will consult with and provide for the participation of the state domestic violence coalition in the planning and monitoring of the distribution of grant funds and the administration of the grant programs and projects (42 U.S.C. 10407(a)(2)(D)). The state must also consult with and provide for the participation of tribal coalitions, where one exists, in the administration and distribution of FVPSA programs, projects, and grant funds awarded to the state (45 CFR § 1370.10(b)(4)).
- (9) Grant funds made available under this program by the state will not be used as direct payment to any victim of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, or to any dependent of such victim (42 U.S.C. 10408(d)(1)).
- (10) No income eligibility standard will be imposed on individuals with respect to eligibility for assistance or services supported with funds appropriated to carry out the FVPSA (42 U.S.C. 10406(c)(3)).
- (11) No fees will be levied for assistance or services provided with funds appropriated to carry out the FVPSA (42 U.S.C. 10406(c)(3)).
- (12) The address or location of any shelter or facility assisted under the FVPSA that otherwise maintains a confidential location will not be made public, except with written authorization of the person or persons responsible for the operation of such shelter (42 U.S.C. 10406(c)(5)(H)). Shelters that choose to remain confidential must develop and maintain systems and protocols to remain secure and must include policies to respond to disruptive or dangerous contact from abusers (45 CFR § 1370.4(g)(1)).
- (13) The applicant has established policies, procedures, and protocols to ensure compliance, including by sub-recipients, with the provisions of 42 U.S.C. 10406(c)(5) regarding non-disclosure of confidential or private information (42 U.S.C. 10407(a)(2)(A)).
- (14) Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 10406(c)(5), the applicant will comply with requirements to ensure the non-disclosure of confidential or private information, including, but not limited to, the following: a) recipients will not disclose any PII collected in connection with services requested (including services used or denied), through recipient's funded activities, and recipients will not reveal PII without informed, written, reasonably time-limited consent by the person about whom information is sought, whether for the FVPSA-funded activities or any other federal or state program and in accordance with 42 U.S.C. 10406(c)(5)(B)(ii); b) recipients will not release information compelled by statutory or court order unless adhering to the requirements of 42 U.S.C. 10406(c)(5)(C); and c) recipients may share non-PII in the aggregate for the purposes enunciated in 42 U.S.C. § 10406(c)(5)(D)(i), as well as for other purposes found in 42 U.S.C. 10406(c)(5)(D)(ii) and (iii).
- (15) The applicant will ensure that it and its sub-recipients will not discriminate on the basis of

age, sex, disability, race, color, national origin, or religion (42 U.S.C.10406(c)(2)). No person, on the ground of actual or perceived sex, including gender identity, shall be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under, any program or activity funded in whole or in part through FVPSA (45 CFR § 1370.5(a)). No person, on the ground of actual or perceived sexual orientation, shall be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under, any program or activity funded in whole or in part through FVPSA (45 CFR § 1370.5(c)).

- (16) The applicant shall use FVPSA funds to supplement and not supplant other federal, state, and local public funds expended to provide services and activities that promote the objectives of the FVPSA (42 U.S.C. 10406(c)(6)).
- (17) The receipt of supportive services under the FVPSA will be voluntary. No condition will be applied for the receipt of emergency shelter as described in 42 U.S.C. 10408(d)(2) and 45 CFR § 1370.10(b)(10).
- (18) The state has a law or procedure to bar an abuser from a shared household or a household of the abused person, which may include eviction laws or procedures, where appropriate (42 U.S.C. 10407(a)(2)(H)).

Doris Smith, Administrator

Printed Name and Title of Authorizing Official



Signature of Authorizing Official

3/22/24

Date Signed

Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration

Name of State Organization/Unit/Division

APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE SF-424 - MANDATORY			
1.a. Type of Submission: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Application <input type="checkbox"/> Plan <input type="checkbox"/> Funding Request <input type="checkbox"/> Other Other (specify): <input type="text"/>		1.b. Frequency: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annual <input type="checkbox"/> Quarterly <input type="checkbox"/> Other Other (specify): <input type="text"/>	
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		3. Applicant Identifier: <input type="text"/>	5. Date Received by State: <input type="text"/>
		4a. Federal Entity Identifier: <input type="text"/>	6. State Application Identifier: <input type="text"/>
		4b. Federal Award Identifier: <input type="text"/>	
1.c. Consolidated Application/Plan/Funding Request? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="text" value="Explanation"/>			
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a. Legal Name: <input type="text" value="Arkansas Department of Finance & Administration"/>			
b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): <input type="text" value="71-039773"/>		c. UEI: <input type="text" value="DM7JV6MBJNJ7"/>	
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e. Organizational Unit:			
Department Name: <input type="text" value="Intergovernmental Services"/>		Division Name: <input type="text"/>	
f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this submission:			
Prefix: <input type="text"/>	First Name: <input type="text" value="Brian"/>	Middle Name: <input type="text"/>	
Last Name: <input type="text" value="Lawson"/>		Suffix: <input type="text"/>	
Title: <input type="text" value="Grants Manager"/>			
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Email: <input type="text" value="brian.lawson@dfa.arkansas.gov"/>			

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8a. TYPE OF APPLICANT:

Other (specify):

b. Additional Description:

9. Name of Federal Agency:

10. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

CFDA Title:

11. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:

12. Areas Affected by Funding:

13. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF:

a. Applicant:

b. Program/Project:

Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed.

14. FUNDING PERIOD:

a. Start Date:

b. End Date:

15. ESTIMATED FUNDING:

a. Federal (\$):

b. Match (\$):

16. IS SUBMISSION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE UNDER EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?

a. This submission was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on:

b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by State for review.

c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.

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17. Is The Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt?

Yes No

18. By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications** and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 18, Section 1001)

** I Agree

** This list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.

Authorized Representative:

Prefix: First Name:

Middle Name:

Last Name:

Suffix: Title:

Organizational Affiliation:

Telephone Number:

Fax Number:

Email:

Signature of Authorized Representative:

Date Signed:

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

Doris Smith

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Consolidated Application/Plan/Funding Request Explanation:

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Applicant Federal Debt Delinquency Explanation:

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CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

(1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

(2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions.

(3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Statement for Loan Guarantees and Loan Insurance

The undersigned states, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

If any funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this commitment providing for the United States to insure or guarantee a loan, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions. Submission of this statement is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required statement shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

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* PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE	
Prefix: <input style="width: 50px;" type="text" value="Ms."/>	* First Name: <input style="width: 150px;" type="text" value="Doris"/> Middle Name: <input style="width: 100px;" type="text"/>
* Last Name: <input style="width: 200px;" type="text" value="Smith"/>	Suffix: <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>
* Title: <input style="width: 150px;" type="text" value="Administrator"/>	
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