Opportunity Summary

The primary purpose of the Rural Program is to enhance the safety of rural victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking and support projects uniquely designed to address and prevent these crimes in rural areas. OVW welcomes applications that propose innovative solutions to achieving this goal and encourages collaboration among criminal justice agencies, victim services providers, social services agencies, health professionals, and other community organizations to overcome the problems of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking in rural communities. OVW also recognizes the richness of diversity in rural communities and areas across the country, and encourages applicants to implement innovative approaches, through capacity-building and partnerships, to address the critical needs of victims in a manner that affirms a victim’s culture, effectively addresses language and communication barriers, and ensures accessible services for all victims.

Eligibility & Requirements:

1. Applicants must:
   - demonstrate that it proposes to serve a rural area or rural community.
   - include a victim service provider as the lead applicant and/or a formal project partner.
   - include at least one project partner, and should include agencies and organizations necessary to implement the proposed project.

2. Rural Program grant recipients that received an FY 2016 or FY 2017 award(s) are not eligible to apply.

3. If applying under the trafficking priority area, applicants must include a local, state, and/or federal law enforcement agency and a local, state, and/or federal prosecutor’s office as a project partner.

Internal Nomination Process:

Interested applicants should submit the following documents:

1. JHU Limited Submission Cover Sheet
2. Proposal (maximum of two pages of text only, single spaced: 12-pt font and one-inch margins) (Note: figures, tables, and other reference material may be included in addition to the 2 pg. text limit)
3. Curriculum Vitae of investigator, including current external research support and publications
4. Budget (two pages maximum)

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