



Monthly Underserved Grant Newsletter

July 2021

Alliance of Local Service Organizations (ALSO) Underserved Technical Assistance Project

This newsletter from the [ALSO Underserved TA Project](#) is designed for Underserved grantees to provide them with regular and concise information including resources, training opportunities, open solicitations, and more.

You can always find more resources on the [Underserved TA Tools and Resources page](#) on ALSO's website or through the [Online Private Portal](#) for OVW Underserved Grantees.

Happy Resource & Opportunity Finding!
-Your Underserved TA Team



Safe Homes, Safe Streets.

Underserved TA Hosted Events

Virtual Summer Series

The Underserved Summer Series is an annual convening of all stakeholders, to increase knowledge, skills, and connections between Grantees, the Underserved TA Team, and Office on Violence Against Women staff. These extended gatherings allow for more intensive and concentrated attention on topics that meet the needs of those providing outreach and services to Underserved populations.

Attendance is not mandatory, however, we strongly encourage all funded project staff, including those from partner organizations, to participate in as many of these virtual offerings as possible.

Sessions:

Active Presence: Communicating for Connection & Understanding

- Session One: Pre-Recorded (released to grantees on July 6)

Watch:

- [English version with ASL Interpretation and English Captioning](#)
- [Spanish version with ASL Interpretation and English Captioning](#)
- Session Two: Tuesday, July 13
 - Recordings of this session will be available shortly



Image Description: Graphic with light green background with text "Active Presence:" in orange, "Communicating for Connection & Understanding" in blue. " Watch Part One, which has been pre-recorded and then attend the live session! Tuesday, July 13. 11:00 am PT/12:00 pm MT/1:00 pm CT/2:00 pm ET." in black. A drawing of two people sitting, holding mugs, and talking is at the bottom.

Outreach During Dual Pandemics: A Panel of Grantee Peers Reflect on an Ever-Evolving, Ever-Learning Practice

- Session One: Tuesday, July 27
- Session Two: Thursday, July 29

Time: 11:00 am PT/12:00 pm MT/1:00 pm CT/2:00 pm ET
Each event is up to 90 minutes

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A Two-Part Series



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[Register for the Summer Series Here](#)

Grantee Support Open Forum

The next Open Forum will be in September!

Grantee Support Open Forums are online, interactive sessions provided to increase opportunities for Grantee connection by building community amongst the Underserved Grantees and providing time and space to cultivate mutual support in the current moment in time and culture.

Open Forums are not recorded, to allow for open and honest discussion between the TA Team and amongst the grantees.

Date: Thursday, September 2

Time: 11:00 am PT/12:00 pm MT/1:00 pm CT/2:00 pm ET

This event is up to 60 minutes

[Register for the Open Forum Here](#)

Progress Reporting

The next progress reporting period is almost here. The deadline to submit progress reports is July 30. Please note that [the reporting forms can be found here](#) and then will need to be uploaded to JustGrants.

In preparation, VAWA MEI offered webinars with VAWA MEI trainers on special topics to help grantees complete their semi-annual performance

report. The final webinar information is below.

Just click on the "Register Here" link to sign up.

Title: Crafting Narratives: Tell the Stories Behind the Data

Date: Thursday, July 22

Time: 10:30 am PT / 11:30 am MT / 12:30 pm CT / 1:30 pm ET

[Register Here](#)

Grant Closeout Resource

For grantees who are closing their grants at the end of this fiscal year in September, if not sooner, please review this information from JustGrants on closing out your award.

[You can find the closeout training materials here.](#)

Non-Underserved TA Sponsored Webinars & Conferences

Interested grantees must get prior approval from OVW Program Manager Kara Moller and submit a Programmatic Cost GAM in JustGrants to attend these events. Please also provide a list of who will be paid for (name, title, and indication of whether or not they are funded under their grant).

Virtual Technology Summit 2021

Host: [National Network to End Domestic Violence \(NNEDV\)](#)

Dates: July 19 - 22

The annual Tech Summit brings together critical and timely information to increase the knowledge and skills of those working with survivors to enhance our work to respond to technology abuse, support survivors in their use of tech, and harness tech to improve services. Content will focus on an array of relevant and emerging issues at the intersection of technology, privacy, confidentiality, and innovation, as it relates to safety and abuse.

[Register Here](#)

National Sexual Assault Conference

Host: [ValorUS](#)

Dates: August 4 - 6

This conference provides advanced training opportunities for activists, advocates, and other professionals working to prevent sexual violence, provide critical intervention services, and support those who have experienced sexual violence. This year's theme is Advancing Equity. Ending Sexual Violence.

[Register Here](#)

Your ALSO TA Team



Image Description: ALSO's Underserved TA team posing in a beige hallway at the 2018 Grantee Orientation.

From L-R: Quenette Walton, Lori Crowder, Lisa Gilmore, Cristina Damiani, Zarena Leblanc, Topher Williamson

Have Questions? We are here to help!

- For technical assistance support related to substantive and programmatic issues: Contact your ALSO Underserved TA point of contact at their individual email or the team at underservedtaproject@also-chicago.org.
- For questions about grant administration: Contact your OVW Program Manager Kara Moller at kara.moller@usdoj.gov.

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