

GRANTS FOR OUTREACH
AND SERVICES TO
UNDERSERVED
POPULATIONS

Monthly Underserved Grant Newsletter

February 2022

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.

Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month



February is Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month (TDVAM).

One in three teens will experience physical, sexual, or emotional abuse from someone they're in a relationship with before they become adults. For further TDVAM resources, [visit Love Is Respect's website](#).

Resources for TDVAM can be found here:

- [Love is Respect's](#) resources

- The [Center for Healthy Teen Relationships](#)
- The [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#)
- The [That's Not Cool](#) Campaign

Underserved TA Hosted Events

Underserved Grantee Orientation

This year's Grantee Orientation has ended. The materials and recordings for each session are available on the Orientation Event Page. [Grantees can find the event page here.](#)

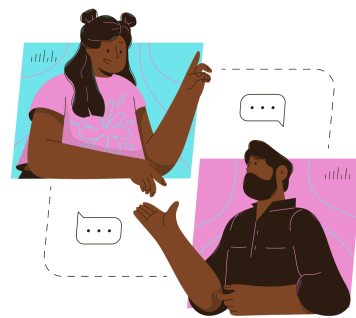
Grantees that attended the Orientation can fill out an evaluation for each session they attended. The evaluation [is available here.](#)

All 2021 grantees [must fill out this checklist](#) of all the Orientation sessions once the appropriate staff have viewed all the presentations. Then submit this form by email to Kara.Moller@usdoj.gov no later than February 28, 2022.

Save the Dates

The ALSO Underserved TA Team is excited to announce a series of topical webinars and the annual Summer Series taking place virtually over the course of the next few months.

Please save the following dates to attend the upcoming Underserved events.



Topical Webinars

We are hosting three (3) upcoming topical webinars for Underserved grantees to attend.

The topics, scheduling details, and registration links for these webinars will be sent out by email in the next few weeks.

The webinars will take place on:

- April 14
- May (exact date TBD)
- June 8

If you have any questions about these sessions, contact the Underserved TA team at underservedtaproject@also-chicago.org or reach out to your TA point of contact.

Summer Series/Institute

The Underserved Institute 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.

This year the annual Institute will be virtual in the form of a Summer Series that will take place during the week of July 18th.

Please note that attendance is required for all Underserved grantees at each session. In addition, this series

will be structured as a mix of 90 minute sessions over the course of a few days in response to feedback received on offering these closer together in time.

OVW Corner



Image Description: OVW Program Manager Kara Moller sitting at her desk in front of a cubicle wall that has numerous rainbow posters, the Star of David, the star and crescent symbol, a sign that reads "ALL Are Welcome Here" and other posters.

Info on the FY22 OVW Solicitations from OVW Program Specialist Kara Moller:

The FY 2022 Grants for Outreach and Services to Underserved Populations Program Solicitation has posted to OVW's FY 2022 [Open Solicitations page](#). Eligible applicants are limited to: population specific organizations or victim service providers that are: (1) Deaf programs (2) Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) organizations, (3) Religious minority organizations, and (4) Disability programs as further defined in the solicitation.

Applications are due March 28 in Grants.Gov and March 31 in JustGrants.

Please note there is now a 2-step application process, you must first register and submit some basic forms in Grants.gov then you will need to submit your actual application in JustGrants. The process outlined in the solicitation, including all dates, MUST be adhered to if we need to consider requests for late submission due to technical difficulties. MY BIGGEST ADVICE – submit early so you can work out any issues that arise.

I will be holding a live preapplication informational session on March 9th at 2 pm. It will include ASL interpreters and be recorded, should people not be able to attend during that time.

If you have questions about this solicitation, please direct them to the program mailbox at ovw.underserved@usdoj.gov or at kara.moller@usdoj.gov.

You can learn more about all OVW solicitations on the [Open Solicitations page](#).

Host: [US Department of Justice](#)

The Department of Justice (DOJ) has made a collection of training resources available for JustGrants users. Training materials include self-guided eLearning videos, which are supplemented by job aid reference guides, checklists, and infographics. These resources will help users learn to navigate the system effectively and complete various essential grants management tasks.

[Find the Recordings Here](#)

International Conference on Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, and Reimagining Justice

Host: [End Violence Against Women International](#)

Dates: April 19 - 21 2022

Location: San Francisco, CA

This annual conference focuses on sexual assault, intimate partner violence, stalking, human trafficking and elder abuse. EVAWI consistently brings together law enforcement personnel, prosecutors, victim advocates, judges, parole and probation officers, rape crisis workers, health care professionals, faith community members, educators, researchers and others in this 3-day conference highlighting promising practices and emerging issues to effectively respond to these crimes in all of our communities.

[Register Here](#)

Your ALSO TA Team



Image Description: Headshots of Underserved TA Team members arranged over

pastel circles and ovals colored orange, blue, purple, pink, and green

From top to bottom: (L-R) Cristina Damiani, Rachel Hastings, (L-R) Topher Williamson, Zarena Leblanc, Lisa Gilmore, (L-R) Quenette Walton, Lori Crowder

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 underservedta@also-chicago.org.
- For questions about grant administration: Contact your OVW Program Specialist Kara Moller at kara.moller@usdoj.gov.

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