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MEMORANDUM - Revised

TO: Budget Committee Members

FROM: Ron Reichgelt, Program Supervisor, Federal & State Grants Unit

Date: October 21, 2021

RE: FFY17 Victims of Crime Act Plan Adjustment

FFY18 Victims of Crime Act Plan Adjustment FFY19 Victims of Crime Act Plan Adjustment FFY20 Victims of Crime Act Plan Adjustment

This memo describes recommended FFY17 and FFY18 Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) designation reductions and FFY19 and FFY20 VOCA designations.

A. <u>DESIGNATION REDUCTIONS</u>

The table below describes returned FFY17 and FFY18 lapsing funds. FFY17 funds have expired and are no longer available for use. Staff recommends making the FFY18 funds available for future use.

Entity / Program	Reason for Rescission	FFY17	FFY18
Macon County – Child 1st	Reduced spending due to	\$1,120	
Center / Illinois HEALS	COVID; delays in hiring,		
	securing office space, and		
	partnership development.		
Heartland Human Care	Travel expenses lower than	\$2,060	
Services / Child Abuse,	expected due to COVID.		
Financial Crime, and			
Impaired Driving			
St Anthony	Grantee experienced various		\$215,519
Hospital/Community	staffing issues due to COVID		
Violence	restrictions		
Hekteon Institute/Community	Grantee experienced various		\$13,247
Violence	staffing and travel issues due to		
	COVID restrictions		

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Lurie's Children's	Grantee experienced various		\$82,895
Hospital/Community	staffing and travel issues due to		
Violence	COVID restrictions		
UCAN/Community Violence	Grantee experienced various		\$261,848
	staffing and travel issues due to		
	COVID restrictions		
YMCA/ Community	Grantee experienced various		\$550,004
Violence	staffing and travel issues due to		
	COVID restrictions		
Children's Home and	Grantee did not utilize all funds		\$3,710
Aid/Community Violence			
TOTALS:		\$3,180	\$1,127,223

B. <u>RECOMMENDED DESIGNATIONS</u>

Victims of Crime Act: Multi Victimization Program

At the March 12, 2020, Budget Committee meeting, the committee set aside \$12 million in available FFY19 VOCA funds to issue a notice of funding opportunity (NOFO) for multi-victimization programs. These programs seek to address the needs of victims who have experienced multiple types of crime. Within communities, individuals may experience varied crime types, including homicide, gun violence, intimate partner and domestic violence, sexual violence, robbery, battery, or assault. In addition, individuals may be exposed to violence in communities including witnessing violence in one's home, school, workplace, or community. Twenty-three programs were approved for funding at the November 19, 2020, Budget Committee meeting.

Staff now recommends an increase in funding, using FFY19 VOCA funds, which end September 30, 2022, to extend each program from 12 to 18 months, as described in the table below. This increase will take each program to 18 of the 36 months of funding support allowed under the NOFO. No programmatic changes would be expected.

Please see the attached Grant Recommendation Reports for more information.

Designee	Original	FFY19	Revised
	Designation	Increase	Designation
A Safe Place	\$1,000,000	\$500,000	\$1,500,000
Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorists	\$375,750	\$96,570	\$472,320
Alliance of Local Service Organizations	\$324,965	\$107,000	\$431,965
BUILD	\$503,561	\$122,896	\$626,457
Catholic Charities	\$811,560	\$109,000	\$920,560
Chicago CAC	\$421,060	*\$0	\$421,060
Children's' Home and Aid	\$82,349	\$41,175	\$123,524
City Colleges of Chicago	\$818,107	*\$0	\$818,107
City of Rockford	\$632,072	\$16,036	\$648,108

TOTAL		\$2,368,125	\$14,364,566
	\$11,996,441	\$2,348,125	\$14,344,566
Universal Family	\$440,000	\$141,225	\$581,225
YWCA of Evanston	\$197,393	\$49,097	\$246,490
UCAN	\$1,000,000	\$130,000	\$1,130,000
St. Anthony Hospital of Chicago	\$999,477	\$375,739	\$1,375,216
Stress & Trauma Treatment Center, Inc.	\$696,971	\$200,000	\$896,971
Sarah's Inn	\$287,697	\$70,861	\$358,558
Restoration61	\$800,927	\$160,464	\$961,391
Remedies Renewing Lives	\$131,051	\$15,526	\$146,577
Port Ministries	\$286,279	\$60,670	\$346,949
OSF St. Francis	\$513,194	\$15,000	\$528,194
Lake County SAO	\$137,848	\$55,924	\$193,772
Hoyleton	\$253,764	*\$0	\$253,764
Hektoen	\$1,000,000	*\$0	\$1,000,000
Cook County SAO		\$100,942	\$383,358
	\$282,416	\$80,942	\$363,358

^{*} Program will utilize lapsing funds. No increase is necessary.

C. VOCA Fix - Pandemic Exemption Match Waiver Policy

Federal Public Law No: 34 U.S.C 20103 (the VOCA Fix) amends the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) of 1984 and requires the State Administration Agency for each state to waive the VOCA Assistance Program matching requirement. In accordance, ICJIA will waive the match requirement for all VOCA funding beginning with any new funding not already expended and/or reported for grants beginning September 1, 2021. This will include several programs already approved for VOCA funding, including the Transitional Housing, Civil Legal Assistance, Trauma Recovery Center and HEALS programs, and any amended programs for increased designations such as the Multi Victimization and Law Enforcement/Prosecution programs.

Staff will be available at the meeting to answer any questions.