

The applicant hereby assures and certifies compliance with all federal statutes, regulations, policies, guidelines and requirements, including OMB Circulars No. A-21, A-110, A-122, A-128, A-87; E.O. 12372 and Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements – 28 CFR, Part 66, Common Rule, that govern the application, acceptance and use of federal funds for this federally-assisted project. Also, the applicant assures and certifies that it will:

1. Recognize that recipients and sub-recipients of federal grants have been awarded funds to carry out the goals and objectives identified in the grant. These funds are subject to certain regulations, oversight, and audit. In addition, the applicant acknowledges that grant recipients and subrecipients are stewards of federal funds.
2. Possess the legal authority to apply for the grant, that a resolution, motion or similar action has been duly adopted or passed as an official act of the applicant's governing body authorizing the filing of the application, including all understandings and assurances contained therein, and directing and authorizing the person identified as the official representative of the applicant to act in connection with the application and to provide such additional information as may be required.
3. Comply with requirements of the provisions of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisitions Act of 1970, as amended (42 U.S.C. § 4601 et seq.), which provides for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced as a result of federal and federally-assisted programs.
4. Comply with provisions of federal law which limit certain political activities of employees of a state or local unit of government whose principal employment is in connection with an activity financed in whole or in part by federal grants. (5 U.S.C. § 1501, et seq.) The recipient understands and agrees that it cannot use any federal funds, either directly or indirectly, in support of the enactment, repeal, modification or adoption of any law, regulation or policy, at any level of government, without the express prior written approval of OAG and the OJP.
5. Comply with the minimum wage and maximum hours provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended (29 U.S.C. § 201 et seq.), as applicable.
6. Establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that is or gives the appearance of being motivated by a desire for private gain for themselves or others, particularly those with whom they have family, business, or other ties.
7. Give the sponsoring agency or the Comptroller General, through any authorized representative, access to and the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the grant. The recipient agrees to comply with the organizational audit requirements of OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations, as further described in the current edition of the OJP Financial Guide, Chapter 3.19 (http://ojp.gov/financialguide/PDFs/OCFO_2013Financial_Guide.pdf)
8. Ensure that the facilities under its ownership, lease or supervision which shall be utilized in the accomplishment of the project are not listed on the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) list of Violating Facilities and that it will notify the federal grantor agency of the receipt of any communication from the Director of the EPA Office of Federal Activities indicating that a facility to be used in the project is under consideration for listing by the EPA, 14 C.F.R. § 1274.926
9. The recipient understands that all OJP awards are subject to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA, 42 U.S.C. § 4321 et seq.) and other related federal laws (including the National Historic Preservation Act), if applicable. The recipient agrees to assist OJP in carrying out its responsibilities

under NEPA and related laws, if the recipient plans to use VOCA funds to undertake any activity that triggers these requirements, such as renovation or construction. (See 28 C.F.R. Part 61, App. D.) The recipient also agrees to comply with all federal, state, and local environmental laws and regulations applicable to the development and implementation of the activities to be funded under this award.

10. Comply and assure the compliance of all its subgrantees and contractors, with the applicable provisions of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act (Safe Streets Act) of 1968, 42 U.S.C. § 3789d(c) and 28 C.F.R. §42.201 et seq.; Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) of 1984, 42 U.S.C. 10604; Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. § 794 and 28 C.F.R. § 42.501 et seq.; Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 et seq. and 28 C.F.R. Part 35; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, 20 U.S.C. § 1681 and 28 C.F.R. pt. 54; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, 42 U.S.C. § 6101 and 28 C.F.R. § 42.700 et seq.; U.S. Department of Justice Nondiscrimination Regulations, 28 C.F.R. Part 42; Department of Justice regulations against disability discrimination, 28 C.F.R. Part 35; the Equal Treatment for Faith-Based Organizations regulations (Equal Treatment Regulation), 28 C.F.R Part 38; and U.S. Department of Justice regulations regarding handicap discrimination, 28 C.F.R. Part 39.
11. Adhere to the provisions of the current edition of the Office of Justice Programs Financial and Administrative Guide for Grants (<http://ojp.gov/financialguide/index.htm>)
12. Comply with federal regulations applicable to grants and cooperative agreements including Hearing and Appeal Procedures, 28 C.F.R. Part 18; Criminal Justice Information Systems, 28 C.F.R. Part 20; Confidentiality of Identifiable Research and Statistical Information, 28 C.F.R. Part 22; Intergovernmental Review of Department of Justice Programs and Activities, 28 C.F.R. Part 30; Floodplain Management and Wetland Protection Procedures, 28 C.F.R. Part 63; and federal laws or regulations applicable to federal assistance programs.
13. Forward a copy of any findings of discrimination made by a federal or state court or federal or state administrative agency after a due process hearing to the U.S. Office for Civil Rights (OCR), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) and OAG. Reporting may be made to the OCR by electronic mail to askOCR@ojp.usdoj.gov or the mailing address 810 7th Street, NW; Washington, DC 20531.
14. Use appropriate accounting, auditing, and monitoring procedures and maintain records to assure fiscal control, proper management, and efficient disbursement of VOCA/SVAA funds. The recipient agrees to track, account for, and report on all funds from this award separately from all other funds, including each other. The accounting systems of the recipient must ensure that funds from this award are not comingled with funds from any other sources. Further, all personnel, as well as volunteers, whose activities are to be charged to the grant will maintain appropriate timesheets to document hours worked for activities related to this grant and non-grant related activities (2 C.F.R. 230 App. B 8.m).
15. Provide an assurance that the program does not have an unresolved debt with any state or federal entity.
16. Submit an annual performance report documenting the activities supported by grant funds, and an assessment of the impact of the grant funds.
17. Provide an assurance that funds granted under this application will not be used to *supplant* federal, state, or local funds, which would otherwise be available to the office of victim

assistance program through any other source. Grantees must use federal funds to *supplement* existing state and local funds for program activities and must not replace (supplant) state or local funds that they have appropriated or allocated for the same purpose. Potential supplanting will be the subject of monitoring and audit. Violations may result in a range of penalties, including suspension of current and future funds under this program, suspension or debarment from federal grants, recoupment of monies provided under a grant, and civil or criminal penalties.

18. Provide the name of a civil rights contact person who has lead responsibility for ensuring that all applicable civil rights requirements are met. The person shall act as a liaison in civil rights matters with the Office for Civil Rights, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice.
19. Provide an Equal Employment Opportunity Plan if required to maintain one. See Office of Justice Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity Plans, <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/about/ocr/eeop.htm>.
20. Provide an assurance that, in the event a federal or state court or federal or state administration agency makes a finding of discrimination after a due process hearing, on the grounds of a class protected classes expressly stated in 28 C.F.R. § 42.204(c) (race, color, national origin, sex, and religion) against the program, the program will forward a copy of the finding to the Office for Civil Rights, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice. Reporting may be made to the OCR by electronic mail to askOCR@ojp.usdoj.gov or the mailing address 810 7th Street, NW; Washington, DC 20531.
21. Acknowledge that grant dollars must be used for their intended purpose and using grant funds for unjust enrichment, personal gain, or for other than their intended use is a form of theft, subject to criminal and civil prosecution under the laws of the United States. The applicant agrees to post a "Grant Fraud Reporting Contacts Poster" in a public place where all employees have access to contact information.
22. The recipient organization must demonstrate an ability to serve all crime victims. Federal law prohibits procedures or policies that exclude victims from receiving safe shelter, advocacy services, counseling, and other assistance based on their race, color, national origin, sex, religion, disability, or age. Additionally, Ohio law prohibits discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, military status, familial status, ancestry, disability, and national origin (R.C. 4412.02). Procedures or policies that exclude members of aforementioned protected groups may be cause to interrupt, suspend, discontinue, or disqualify an organization from receiving a funding award.

VOCA Only

1. Ensure compliance with all federal laws and regulations applicable to federal assistance programs and with the provisions of Title 28 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) applicable to grants. The "Application for Victims Assistance Funds" states these assurances and requires the signature of the authorized official who is requesting funding.
2. Comply with the provisions of the Coastal Barrier Resources Act, 16 U.S.C. § 3501 et seq., which prohibits the expenditure of most new federal funds within the units of the Coastal Barrier Resources System.