

## **FVPSA ALLOWABLE & UNALLOWABLE COSTS**

Administered by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act Grant (FVPSA) is a formula grant which provides federal funding to all states and territories. CDVSA uses these funds to finance programs throughout Alaska that address the issue of domestic violence by providing shelter or related assistance to victims and their children. These programs operate shelter facilities that are staffed 24/7 and provide a full spectrum of services including basic food and immediate shelter, crisis intervention, counseling, and advocacy.

## **ALLOWABLE COSTS & ACTIVITIES**

- 1. Shelter and supportive services to adult and youth victims (and their dependents) of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence.
  - o Including paying for the operating and administrative expenses of the shelter facilities
  - Shelter may include group housing, rental subsidies, temporary refuge such as a hotel room or safe house, or lodging in individual units such as apartments.
- **2.** Assisting a victim to develop a safety plan and supporting their efforts to make decisions related to their ongoing safety and well-being.
- **3.** Individual and group counseling to include peer support groups, and referral to community-based services to assist victims and their dependents with recovery from the effects of the violence.
- **4.** Services, training, technical assistance, and outreach to increase awareness of family violence, domestic violence, and dating violence and promote accessibility of services offered to victims.
- 5. Provision of culturally and linguistically appropriate services.
- **6.** Services for children exposed to family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence. Examples include but are not limited to:
  - Age-appropriate counseling
  - Supportive services
  - Services for the non- abusing parent that support that parent's role as a caregiver
  - o Services that work with the non-abusing parent and child together
- **7.** Advocacy, case management services, and information and referral services. Examples include but are not limited to:
  - Assistance accessing Federal and State financial assistance programs
  - o Legal advocacy for victims and their dependents



- Medical advocacy, including referrals for appropriate health care services (including mental health, alcohol, and drug abuse treatment)
  - Reimbursement for these health care services is **NOT** allowable
- Assistance locating and securing safe and affordable permanent housing and accessing homelessness prevention services
- Provision of transportation, child care, respite care, job training and employment services, financial literacy services and education, financial planning, and related economic empowerment services
- Parenting and other educational services for victims and their dependents
- 8. Prevention services. Examples include but are not limited to:
  - Outreach and education to underserved populations
  - Healing services for children and youth exposed to domestic or dating violence
  - Home visiting programs for high-risk families
  - Screening programs in health care settings

## **UNALLOWABLE COSTS & ACTIVITIES**

- 1. Sexual assault programming (outside of sexual abuse within an intimate partnership).
- 2. Lobbying, for example ANDVSA membership dues.
- 3. Direct payment to victims or their dependents.
- 4. Any emergency service or shelter that requires compliance with certain conditions in order to be received/provided, for example requiring residents to do household chores in order to remain at a shelter.
- 5. Charging fees to victims receiving FVPSA funded services.
- 6. Providing services or training exclusively on types of abuse or assault outside of domestic violence between intimate partners and their dependents. (Training and services for other types of abuse/assault may be covered as part of training/services for Domestic Violence, *just not as stand-alone.*)
- 7. Reimbursement for any health care services.