

Deschutes County
JRI Victim Services Grant Program
2023-2025 Application

- **Overview**
 - Application had eight questions worth a total of 100 points
 - Received five applications.

- **Funds Available**
 - \$187,239 (Originally thought it would be \$160,000)
 - This can change depending on if we receive supplemental/competitive funding.

- **Agencies and Applications**
 - In Our Backyard
 - Requested 31.125% (\$50,000).
 - Service Offering
 - Community Resource Center: For human trafficking victims or those who may know victims. Provide resources and safe drop in place.
 - K-12 Group Offering in Schools: life skills group. Create a safe space so kids feel comfortable reporting.
 - Target Population: Human trafficking victims.

 - Saving Grace Imagine Life Without Violence (Mary's Place)
 - Requested 100% (\$160,000).
 - Service Offering
 - Trauma informed supervised visitation (up to 2 hours a week).
 - Safe exchanges for families.
 - Direct referral and connection to internal and external resources.
 - Target population: Domestic violence and sexual assault victims.

 - CASA of Central Oregon
 - Requested 43% (\$68,900).
 - Service Offering
 - Recruit, train, and support CASA advocates.
 - CASA Advocate: trauma informed support to an additional 112 children in Deschutes County.
 - Target population: Children in foster case.

 - J Bar J (The Anti-Trafficking project)
 - Requested 25% (\$40,000).
 - Service Offering

**Deschutes County Local Public Safety Coordinating Council
2023-2025 JRI Victim Services Grant Program**

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Deadline</u></p>	<p>Applications must be received by email <u>ON OR BEFORE July 24th, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.</u> (Pacific time) by Trevor Stephens Adult Parole and Probation at Trevor.Stephens@deschutes.org. Applications will only be accepted by email and must be in Microsoft Word format.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Questions</u></p>	<p>Please send all questions by email to Trevor.Stephens@deschutes.org</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Grant Background</u></p>	<p>Deschutes County Community Justice is requesting applications in anticipation of a Justice Reinvestment Grant (JRP) award for the 2023-2025 biennium from the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission. We are preparing for the grant application that is due early September. This application will need to be approved by the Local Public Safety Coordinating Council before being submitted. As part of the grant application we anticipate that 10% of the funds we receive as a County are to be passed through to community-based Victim Services programs. In previous years awards were given to Saving Grace, KIDS Center, CASA of Central Oregon, and J Bar J.</p> <p>The estimated Victim Service Grant for the 2023-2025 biennium is \$160,000. We are inviting community-based Victim Services programs to apply for grant funds for the 23-25 biennium. The \$160,000 is an estimate and will likely change.</p> <p>The questions below are pulled from the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission Victim’s Services application for the 23-25 grant cycle. Please complete all questions. By applying you understand that Deschutes County is not guaranteed any funding and if LPSCC selects your organization grant funds will be dependent on the County actually receiving the funds. The Victims Services organizations will only receive the portion awarded by LPSCC of actual grant funds received.</p> <p>This grant application is in anticipation of Deschutes County receiving JRI grant funds. If the county does not receive grant funds, no funding will be provided to the agencies selected through this process. Any applicant who applies and is awarded a grant may be asked to submit additional materials depending on any criteria changes made by the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission in the official JRI grant application.</p>

<p><u>Application Review Process</u></p>	<p>The grant applications will be reviewed by our Local Public Safety Coordinating Council (LPSCC) members, who will decide how to award anticipated funds. The LPSCC-recommended awardees will be included in the county’s subsequent grant application and approval process by the CJC. The CJC makes the final decision on whether a recommended Victim Service agency/s meets grant requirements of the JRI grant.</p> <p>Each question below is assigned a number of points. The grant review subgroup will score each application and make a recommendation to award a single grant or up to four grants of different amounts.</p> <p>LPSCC will determine the amount for each agency as a percentage with the grand total of all Victim’s Services awards totaling 10% of the total JRI award.</p>						
<p><u>Award Amount and Payment Information</u></p>	<p>If awarded a Victim Services grant you will receive your first check sometime in February of 2024. The checks will be broken up based on CJC payment schedule.</p> <p>The County will not have a final award decision in terms of the grant application until November or December of 2023.</p> <p>We anticipate that the award amount for the 2-year period will be \$160,000 dollars. Your organization should anticipate the total grant amount available for Victim’s Service to be around \$160,000. Please articulate how much of the \$160,000 you are requesting in the form of a percentage. For example if you are requesting \$40,000 the percentage would be 25%. The \$160,000 amount is an estimate and will likely change.</p> <p>The grant review subgroup will make a recommendation to LPSCC and ultimately LPSCC will determine what percentage of the Victims Services monies to award to each agency. LPSCC can decide to award all of the money to one agency or split the money up among a group of agencies as it has done in the past.</p>						
<p><u>Reporting</u></p>	<p>Any agency who is selected for a Victims Services grant will be required to agree to any reporting requirement set forth by the CJC. In previous reporting years the Victims Services grant organizations have been required to submit yearly narrative reports regarding activity accomplished with grant funds. We anticipate that they will be very similar to reporting requirements in previous years, but if you have any questions or concerns about this please reach out to the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission before submitting your application.</p>						
<p><u>Contract Information</u></p>	<table border="1"> <tr> <td data-bbox="435 1440 646 1518">Grant Title:</td> <td data-bbox="646 1440 1487 1518">2023-2025 Deschutes County Justice Reinvestment Victim Services Grant</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="435 1518 646 1575">Contract Type:</td> <td data-bbox="646 1518 1487 1575">Services Grant.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="435 1575 646 1707">Contract Term:</td> <td data-bbox="646 1575 1487 1707">If awarded, the term of the contract shall commence on July 1, 2023 and shall remain in effect until June 30, 2025, unless terminated, canceled or extended as otherwise provided herein.</td> </tr> </table>	Grant Title:	2023-2025 Deschutes County Justice Reinvestment Victim Services Grant	Contract Type:	Services Grant.	Contract Term:	If awarded, the term of the contract shall commence on July 1, 2023 and shall remain in effect until June 30, 2025, unless terminated, canceled or extended as otherwise provided herein.
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<p><u>Contact Information</u></p>	<p>Trevor Stephens Community Justice Phone: (541) 330-8261 Email: Trevor.Stephens@deschutes.org</p>						

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

JUSTICE REINVESTMENT PROGRAM FUNDS – 10% FOR COMMUNITY-BASED VICTIM SERVICES

https://www.oregon.gov/cjc/justicereinvestment/Documents/Victims_10_FAQ.pdf

While much of the country has engaged in a Justice Reinvestment processes, Oregon is the first state to dedicate at least 10% of Justice Reinvestment funds to victim services programs. HB 3194 (2013) specifically stated that funding would be directed to community-based nonprofit victim services. This FAQ will answer questions you may have about that funding.

What are Community-based Nonprofit Victim Services Programs?

Community-based nonprofit victim services programs provide comprehensive services to victims, such as accessing safe emergency shelter, crisis counseling, court and medical accompaniment, safety planning, obtaining protective orders, and applying for benefits. Programs may also provide support groups, family support services, prevention classes, and assistance in returning to school and finding living wage jobs as well as safe and affordable housing.

Services are available before, during, and after a criminal case. Services are also available if the victim hasn't reported to law enforcement and if there is no criminal case at all.

Community-based Victim Services

- Assist victims who report the crime as well as victims who do not
- Provide advocacy to help victims rebuild their lives (crisis line; emergency shelter; crisis counseling; safety planning; support groups; education and violence prevention; advocacy; assistance navigating criminal justice, civil justice, and human services processes)
- Services are focused on victim safety, empowerment, and restoration
- Services are available on an on-going basis.

System-based Victim Services

- Assist victims whose cases are processed through the justice system
- Provides advocacy to help victims access their rights (information; notification of court proceedings; court accompaniment; assistance with victim impact statements, restitution, and applying for compensation)
- Services are focused on victim safety and access to justice system and case-specific information
- Services are typically limited to the duration of the criminal justice process

What are examples of community-based victim services?

Community-based victim services should have serving victims of crime as part of their mission statement. Examples of community-based nonprofit victim services programs include domestic and sexual violence services programs, services for murder victim family members, assistance for victims of DUII-related crashes, services for child victims, and restorative justice programs (if appropriate).

Is the 10% tied to the Justice Reinvestment population?

No. Crime victims served through the 10% are not expected to be tied to—or the victims of—individuals who are part of the HB 3194 population or are being served through Justice Reinvestment. This is an opportunity to provide innovative services to underserved crime victims in your community.

Can system-based victim services programs receive funding through the 10%?

No, but system-based victim services programs can receive funding through the other 90% of their county's Justice Reinvestment award.

How are applications for the 10% evaluated?

Each grant application will be evaluated based on the following (*JR Grant Rules 213-060-0060(6)*):

- Demonstrated need for the proposed services in the community to be served by the applicant with emphasis on services that target marginalized, underserved populations.
- Services address access barriers, such as but not limited to: language, literacy, disability, cultural practices and transportation issues.
- Funding increases capacity for areas where services are difficult to access, limited or non-existent.
- Demonstration that the award will be invested in trauma-informed services.
- Data collection, including but not limited to, demographic information of victims served.

How do I find a community-based nonprofit victim services program that serves my county?

Many community-based nonprofit victim services programs serve multiple counties. The following statewide organizations can help you get in touch with your local programs:

Oregon Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence

<https://www.ocadsv.org/find-help/Oregon>

Mothers Against Drunk Driving

<http://www.madd.org/local-offices/or/>

Oregon Network of Child Abuse Intervention Centers

<http://www.childabuseintervention.org/our-centers/services-by-center>

Oregon Child Abuse Centers

<https://oregoncas.org/centers/find-a-center/>

Oregon Department of Justice Crime Victim and Survivor Services Division

<https://www.doj.state.or.us/crime-victims/about-us/>

Grant Application	
<u>Name of Applicant Organization</u>	In Our Backyard
<u>Contact Person's Name and Title</u>	Cheryl Csiky Executive Director
<u>Phone Number</u>	224-456-1124 cell 541-639-5008 office
<u>Email</u>	cheryl@inourbackyard.org
<u>Address</u>	1900 NE Division St. Ste. 107 Bend, OR 97701
<u>Grant % Amount Requested</u>	31.125%

Certifications

I certify that I have read this application in its entirety and understand all the requirements of the application and grant process.

I certify that my organization is a non-profit organization and that I have authority to apply for this grant and that everything included in this application is accurate. I understand that this grant is not guaranteed and that even if selected, any funds are dependent on the results of the county's application process with the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission and actual receipt of those funds.

I certify that I have read the criteria regarding the difference between a *community-based* Victim's Services agency and a *system-based* Victims Services agency. Based on the information provided, **my organization is a *community-based* Victim's Services agency.**

Signature ° 

Date 07/23/2023

Title Executive Director

Description of Provider:

- What type of victim service provider are you? **(Please highlight or select one)**
 - Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
 - Children's Advocacy Centers
 - Court Appointed Special Advocated
 - Human Trafficking Services
 - Bias Incident Services
 - Other: Please describe in 50 words or less

Description of Provider:

- Ten percent of Justice Reinvestment Program funding must be allocated to community based Nonprofit victim services providers. **Please select/highlight all the following that apply to your organization.**
 - Your organization is a community-based nonprofit that serves victims of crime.
 - Your program receives Department of Human Services (DHS) or Department of Justice (DOJ) funding (including Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) or Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) funding)
 - Your organization is a qualified victim services provider or you employ advocates with privilege under ORS 40.264

1. Please describe what services will be provided to victims of crime with this funding and What measures you will use to track services provided. **Must use 400 words or less.**
20 Points

Adults: Community Resource Center

A Community Resource Center supports caregivers and adults experiencing risk or exploitation for labor and or sex trafficking. Individual resources identified will be reported by category: Wellness, Housing, Medical, Job, and by length of need. The background of the client will be given with their permission. Only their name is asked. this serves any community member working to find a safe exit from exploitation. Hours for appointments will be advertised to other community organizations. Survivors of human trafficking often use more than one service provider. A need is to identify opportunities in their best interest with no limit to how many visits. The space will NOT be used for any overnight emergency shelter. Drop-in hours will be once a month and include online appointment scheduling outside of the drop-in times. One counselor session for anyone requesting services is provided. Counselors participating commit to meeting virtually or in person within three days. Data that an appointment was met and if ongoing care is supported will be recorded, including any no-show. IN OUR BACKYARD serves survivors in Central Oregon and outside of the area because of our national reach. We are listed as a resource on the National Human Trafficking Hotline and have served over 385 survivors.

Youth K-12 Group Offering to Expand School Program

The resource center will be a safe place advertised to students the age of 18+. Until they turn 18, schools have an opportunity to offer a Life Skills Group. We successfully train grades 5-12 in our Teens Against Trafficking program. We are expanding the curriculum to reach grades K-4. Schools can also expand our program services through a pop-up life skills group after a presentation at no cost by request. The first pilot "pop up" group had so much success at LaPine High School that an elective class during the school day was created. The educator who implemented the class is retiring and is requesting IOB form the group option again. Basic skill topics such as organizing, laundry, note-taking, etc. will take place. This optional offering will focus on skills to increase prevention, not awareness. We will report with all schools, locations, times, and who supervised, whether faculty or IOB.

The Community-Based Victim Services Advisory Panel from the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission will use the following questions to evaluate whether the proposed services funds will positively impact victims, based on criteria outlined in OAR 213-060-0060 (6). Please ensure you have reviewed this criteria and your answer reflect answers to best meet this criteria.

2. How will the proposed services address the need for services in the community that target marginalized, underserved populations? **Must use 350 words or less. 20 points**

Serving Youth K-12

Students attending any group activity or reporting will be adequately handled. Access at school is one of the best ways to meet a child where they are if they are targeted as a marginalized or underserved population. We will work with schools to identify safe spaces, which will increase reporting at an early stage while also learning prevention skills to avoid trafficking in the future as a survival need for themselves or in the home that experiences situations of risk and exploitation. We will work with each individual school site for expanding the Life Skills Group offering.

Serving Adults

Adults visiting the resource center often have concerns for a child or adult they know, or have identified labor or sexual exploitation in their own life, whether survival, both choice and without choice, and in crises. Coordinated resources will be offered for all needs to be met, in a sensitive, respectful, and trauma-informed manner to any person. Connections to basic needs, long-term fit programs, counseling, and individual-based needs will be assessed. Trauma informed counseling increases success with any mental wellness issues. This is a nonexistent service in Deschutes County for a person being trafficked to have a resource center come alongside them to identify counseling as a need, cover a first visit for Home Visit, Office Visit, Crisis Visit. Once established, IOB works to make sure OHP is utilized. A counselor is paid for the first visit, even in case of a no show. Demographically, marginalized populations struggle to identify services that fit their needs. In more rural areas, out-of-state resources may be more adequate. A name they give us, with demographics for data recorded, is all they need to provide to start the process. Creating opportunities increases a victim to prevent any crimes committed in trafficking, or reoffending. As reported in Trick Roll's research, traffickers have victims commit crimes to control and profit. Survival for basic needs is addressed to help along with mental wellness opportunities. IN OUR BACKYARD has national relationships for referred wrap-around resources to help those in need

identify the best fit for a long-term plan. IN OUR BACKYARD comes alongside for a lifetime with survivors.

3. How will the proposed services address access barriers, such as, but not limited to: language, literacy, disability, cultural practices, and transportation issues? **Must use 350 words or less. 20 points**

Serving Youth K-12

Offering groups on the site of the school during school hours or after hours will allow us to meet all needs within the scope the person is already served.

Serving Adults

Travel expenses for reaching any program referral or appointment at the resource center will be funded for those in need via a platform such as Lyft or Uber. Rides will not be a "physical duty" of those who serve the resource center such as staff or volunteers. Translation support will have Zoom appointments with a translator present if needed through an established partnership served for foreign languages, and disability- Zoom with appropriate support will be assessed for any transportation barrier that cannot be overcome. There are no stairs in the resource center, all are welcome at the resource and trauma-informed care will best meet the needs for any disclosures of risk and identify appropriate resources.

4. Will the proposed services increase capacity for geographic areas where services are difficult to access, limited, or non-existent? **Yes or No answer only. 10 points for yes. 0 points for no.**

Yes or No Only

5. Are the proposed services trauma-informed? **Yes or No answer only. 10 points for yes. 0 points for no.**

Yes or No Only

6. Do you use Osium for your existing data collection requirements? **No points**

Yes

Or If **no**, in 200 words or less identify what data, including, but not limited to, demographic information of victims served will be collected.

A google form survey will be available to include the data of a person visiting, their name, and if they are willing to share any of their background.

7. Are you a culturally specific organization as defined in SB 1510 (2022)?

(“Culturally specific organization” means an organization, or a program within an organization, that serves a particular cultural community, that is primarily staffed and led by members of that community and that demonstrates self-advocacy, positive cultural identity and intimate knowledge of the lived experience of the community, including but not limited to:

- (A) The impact of structural and individual racism or discrimination on the community;
- (B) Specific disparities in access to services and resources experienced by the community;
- and (C) Community strengths, cultural practices, beliefs and traditions.)

Up to 10 points for yes. 0 points for no.

If yes, briefly describe how in 200 words or less.

No



8. Does this program provide culturally responsive services as defined in SB 1510 (2022)?

(“Culturally responsive service” means a service that is respectful of, and relevant to, the beliefs, practices, cultures and linguistic needs of diverse consumer or client populations and communities whose members identify as having particular cultural or linguistic affiliations by virtue of their place of birth, ancestry or ethnic origin, religion, preferred language or language spoken at home. A culturally responsive service has the capacity to respond to the issues of diverse communities and require knowledge and capacity at systemic, organizational, professional and individual levels of intervention. **Up to 10**

points for yes. 0 points for no.

If **yes**, briefly describe how in 200 words or less. IN OUR BACKYARD is survivor-led by a child exploitation survivor. We partner with professional counselors, survivor leaders, and other advocates who provide culturally responsive programs. We receive feedback from survivors to help identify the unique services and keep records so that in the future, these resources can match well with any person in regards to diverse consumer or client populations and communities whose members identify as having particular cultural or linguistic affiliations by virtue of their place of birth, ancestry or ethnic origin, religion, preferred language or language spoken at home.

No

Point Break Down

Question 1	20 pts
Question 2	20 pts
Question 3	20 pts
Question 4	10 pts
Question 5	10 pts
Question 6	0 pts
Question 7	10 pts
Question 8	10 pts
Total	100 pts

Please prepare a budget based on the dollar amount of the percentage that you are requesting. For example, if you are requesting 25% of the \$160,000 please prepare a budget that adds up to \$40,000. The budget needs to clearly show a breakdown of costs in the following categories:

<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>Notes/Description</u>	<u>2023-2025 Budgeted Amount</u>
Personnel (please list out each position separately)	Training Specialist coordinating with schools and trainings at Community Resource Center	\$24,000
Fringe	Subscriptions to coordinate job training, supplies for group materials at school	\$500
Contractual/Consultant Services	Counselors will be paid for first visit via in house, outpatient, or crisis service, including no show/ or survivor leader services, volunteers at CRC	\$15,000
Supplies	Snacks, water, hygiene supplies, paper	\$1,000
Travel/Training	Pop Up Groups at Schools travel for employee/volunteer and to have clients ride share to CRC	\$2,500
Equipment	Office space with Security Camera/Check-in process to make appointment if after hours	\$500
Rent/Utilities	Office Space	\$6,000
Evaluation	Google Forms, subscriptions, Prezi tool	\$50
Administrative Cost (10% Max)	Marketing of center, printing, tool kits, community event marketing	\$450
Total Amount Requested as a dollar amount and as a percentage of \$160,000		\$50,000

Grant Application	
<u>Name of Applicant Organization</u>	Saving Grace Imagine Life Without Violence
<u>Contact Person's Name and Title</u>	Gail Bartley – Director, Mary's Place Supervised Visit & Safe Exchange Center and Saving Grace Courthouse Advocacy Program
<u>Phone Number</u>	541-410-1356
<u>Email</u>	gail@maryspl.org
<u>Address</u>	Saving Grace 1004 NW Milwaukee Ave. Suite 100 Bend OR 97703
<u>Grant % Amount Requested</u>	100%

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Signature: Gail Bartley

Date: 7/19/23

Title: Director, Mary's Place Supervised Visit & Safe Exchange Center and Saving Grace Courthouse Advocacy Program

Description of Provider:

- What type of victim service provider are you? **(Please highlight or select one)**
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1. Please describe what services will be provided to victims of crime with this funding and What measures you will use to track services provided. **Must use 400 words or less.**
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We propose to provide trauma-informed supervised visits and safe exchanges for families where there are safety risks for adult survivors and their children around parenting time. These risks must be a result of domestic violence, sexual assault, and/or stalking by and between parents. Families with allegations of child sexual abuse perpetrated by one of the parents are also eligible. Services will be provided by the Mary's Place program of Saving Grace, located in downtown Bend, OR. Visits and exchanges are available M, TH, FRI evenings and SAT & SUN (full days), with comprehensive, safety-focused orientation appointments, safety check-ins and other supports provided M-F during regular business hours. MP can provide up to 2 hours of supervised visitation per week per family and as many safe exchanges as needed (within our operating hrs, which fit with most parenting plans). Mary's Place operates on a domestic violence intervention-specific national model developed by the Office of Violence Against Women in response to the danger associated with parenting time in domestic violence cases, including homicide/familicide. While most survivors are referred to MP by Deschutes County Court in connection with protective orders, divorce/custody and criminal cases, MP does not require court orders and is accessible to all survivors in need, regardless of their level of system involvement, if any. Before, during, and after supervised visits or safe exchanges of children between parents, MP staff check in with adult survivors and children to ensure that they are aware of emergent safety issues and adjust services accordingly. All adult survivors are offered connection to the Saving Grace Post-Separation Advocate (funded separately) for support including legal assistance, housing/basic needs, transportation, counseling and more. Grant funds will be used to support 1.42 FTE visit/exchange facilitator staff (of 5.01 FTE). MP will provide at least 1,000 supervised visits and safe exchanges to an average of 75 unduplicated families per year. We track services via a secure database which records the number of visits or exchanges completed including non-identifying demographic data of participants and any significant safety issues that occurred. To measure our mission of keeping adult survivors and children safe, adult survivors receive an anonymous survey quarterly. We propose that 95% or more survivors returning surveys will answer "Strongly agree" or "agree" to the statements, "Using MP for visits or exchanges has helped me feel safe"; "Mary's Place and its staff have helped my children feel comfortable and safe."

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2. How will the proposed services address the need for services in the community that target marginalized, underserved populations? **Must use 350 words or less. 20 points**

Adult and child survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking and/or child sexual abuse are an inherently underserved and marginalized group. Multiple factors suppress their access to safety including shame, isolation, poverty, undocumented status and the risk of further harm (up to and including homicide) if they seek help. All these barriers are exacerbated for survivors who are persons of color, LGBTQ, disabled, non-or limited English speakers and those living rural. Most cases are referred to Mary's Place in connection with restraining orders (RO) granted by Deschutes County Court as well as divorce/custody, criminal cases and self-referrals. In FY 21-22, 511 RO's

were filed in DCC with 151 involving minor children. Of those where parenting time was allowed 42 % were referred to Mary's Place. During FY 22-23, MP served 78 unduplicated families (156 adults and 129 children) with 1,220 supervised visits and safe exchanges. Mary's Place is the sole domestic-violence intervention-specific supervised visitation and safe exchange program serving Central Oregon for over 17 years. The demand for MP free services is high as there is no comparable alternative available, with a consistent list of 10-15 families pending entry into the program. All survivors who wish to are connected to a Saving Grace advocate for support including legal assistance, housing, basic needs and counseling. Mary's Place staff are trained to identify domestic violence tactics and do not allow our program to be used to further abuse. All MP staff complete the 40 hr Oregon domestic violence & sexual assault advocacy training and additional 40 hrs of visit and exchange training specific to DV, provided by Inspire Action for Social Change, OVW's lead technical assistance provider for visitation and exchange. Survivors are protected from any contact with the other parent by MP program design and policies, including separate parking lots, staggered arrival/departure, security cameras, all of which have been approved by OVW. Survivors' autonomy and personal decision making regarding their safety is respected and listened to. Children's voices and experiences are also listened to and respected, and they never forced to participate in visits or exchanges if they feel unsafe.

3. How will the proposed services address access barriers, such as, but not limited to: language, literacy, disability, cultural practices, and transportation issues? **Must use 350 words or less. 20 points**

Mary's Place provides all client documents in 14 PT font at an 8th grade literacy level. During intakes, scheduling of services and conducting services, staff take as much time and attention as needed for those who may have lower literacy ability, cognitive impairment, PTSD or other challenges. MP can provide information in alternate formats and may include an individual's support person or care giver to ensure our program is accessible. All documents are available in Spanish and a separate phone line is available for Spanish-speakers, monitored by the MP bi-lingual Latina

visit exchange facilitator, who also provides orientation appointments, scheduling and check-ins with Spanish-speaking families, as well as referrals to SG bi-lingual (Spanish) advocates. While Spanish is the primary language spoken by LES persons using MP, other languages could be accommodated via Language Line or utilizing translators. Our facility (located within the Mike Maier Deschutes County building) meets ADA requirement for access. Cultural practices unique to families and individuals such as particular celebrations, rituals, religious practices, foods, clothing, etc. are respected and accommodated with the caveat that the practices must not have been associated with past abuse of the adult survivors or children. Many MP families live in rural areas and also experience poverty creating transportation challenges. With non-grant funds, MP can provide gas vouchers, bus passes and Lyft rides for those who would not otherwise be able to participate due to transportation issues.

4. Will the proposed services increase capacity for geographic areas where services are difficult to access, limited, or non-existent? **10 points for yes. 0 points for no.**

Yes or No Only

5. Are the proposed services trauma-informed? **Yes or No answer only. 10 points for yes. 0 points for no.**

Yes or No Only

6. Do you use Osnum for your existing data collection requirements? **No points**

Yes and no. Saving Grace advocates use OSNIUM for data collection and there is a SG advocate who works exclusively with adult survivors involved with Mary's Place, however we are not requesting funding for that position. Mary's Place uses a secure database built specifically for our program and hosted on an Airtable platform. This database is modeled after the database built by the Muskie School of Social Work and provided to supervised visitation and safe exchange OVW grantees. (That Access database is no longer supported by current Windows technology so we needed to

build a new version). We use our database to record service and non-personally identifying demographic data consistent with the level of confidentiality required by VAWA.

7. Are you a culturally specific organization as defined in SB 1510 (2022)?

("Culturally specific organization" means an organization, or a program within an organization, that serves a particular cultural community, that is primarily staffed and led by members of that community and that demonstrates self-advocacy, positive cultural identity and intimate knowledge of the lived experience of the community, including but not limited to:

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- (B) Specific disparities in access to services and resources experienced by the community; and
- (C) Community strengths, cultural practices, beliefs and traditions.)

Up to 10 points for yes. 0 points for no.

If yes, briefly describe how in 200 words or less.

No

8. Does this program provide culturally responsive services as defined in SB 1510 (2022)? ("Culturally responsive service" means a service that is respectful of, and relevant to, the beliefs, practices, cultures and linguistic needs of diverse consumer or client populations

and communities whose members identify as having particular cultural or linguistic affiliations by virtue of their place of birth, ancestry or ethnic origin, religion, preferred language or language spoken at home. A culturally responsive service has the capacity to respond to the issues of diverse communities and require knowledge and capacity at systemic, organizational, professional and individual levels of intervention. **Up to 10 points for yes. 0 points for no.**

Yes. Mary's Place routinely serves diverse communities and populations including most commonly persons identifying as Black/African American, Native American, and Latino, including LES Latinos. The largest group served are Latino persons, who come from varied backgrounds including immigrants from Central and South America, Mexico and second or third generation Central Oregonians. MP provides all services in Spanish for Spanish speakers, as well as having Latino/bi-lingual staff and maintains relationships with other community partners who serve Latino families and can provide additional support, guidance and resources. Saving Grace and Mary's Place are committed to diversity, equity and inclusion. Mary's Place considers each family as having unique and individual needs. We approach cultural differences with humility, curiosity and respect and strive to ensure that all persons feels welcome and able to fully be themselves while engaging in our program.

Yes

Point Break Down

Question 1	20 pts
Question 2	20 pts
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<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>Notes/Description</u>	<u>2023-2025 Budgeted Amount</u>
Personnel (please list out each position separately)	Supervised Safe Visit and Exchange Supervisors: Betsy Littlefield 0.34 fte Secily Luse 0.50 fte Teresse MacKenzie 0.34 fte Breal Ross 0.21 fte Vacant Part Time 0.03 fte (total of 1.42 fte)	\$26,083.20 \$38,038.00 \$26,683.11 \$16,334.60 <u>\$2,022.90</u> \$109,161.81
Fringe	Betsy Littlefield 0.34 fte Secily Luse 0.50 fte Teresse MacKenzie 0.34 fte Breal Ross 0.21 fte Vacant Part Time 0.03 fte	\$10,666.87 \$11,748.78 \$10,721.16 \$1,499.88 <u>\$201.50</u> \$34,838.19
Contractual/Consultant Services		
Supplies		

Travel/Training		
Equipment		
Rent/Utilities		
Evaluation		
Administrative Cost (10% Max)		\$16,000
Total Amount Requested as a dollar amount and as a percentage of \$160,000		\$160,000 100%

Grant Application	
<u>Name of Applicant Organization</u>	CASA of Central Oregon
<u>Contact Person's Name and Title</u>	Heather Dion, Executive Director
<u>Phone Number</u>	541-389-1618
<u>Email</u>	hdion@casaoofcentraloregon.org
<u>Address</u>	1029 NW 14 th St, Suite 100 Bend, OR 97703
<u>Grant % Amount Requested</u>	This needs to be a percentage between 1 and 100%. Anticipated total available for Victims Services is \$160,000.00 43%

Certifications

I certify that I have read this application in its entirety and understand all the requirements of the application and grant process.

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I certify that I have read the criteria regarding the difference between a *community-based* Victim's Services agency and a *system-based* Victims Services agency. Based on the information provided, **my organization is a *community-based* Victim's Services agency.**

Signature Heather Dion/s/

Date July 22, 2023

Title Executive Director

Description of Provider:

- What type of victim service provider are you? **(Please highlight or select one)**
 - Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
 - Children's Advocacy Centers
 - **Court Appointed Special Advocated**
 - Human Trafficking Services
 - Bias Incident Services
 - Other: Please describe in 50 words or less

Description of Provider:

- Ten percent of Justice Reinvestment Program funding must be allocated to community based Nonprofit victim services providers. **Please select/highlight all the following that apply to your organization.**
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 - Your organization is a qualified victim services provider or you employ advocates with privilege under ORS 40.264

1. Please describe what services will be provided to victims of crime with this funding and What measures you will use to track services provided. **Must use 400 words or less. 20 Points**

CASA of Central Oregon is a nonprofit organization that recruits, trains, and supports volunteers who advocate for the best interests of abused and neglected children in the court system. CASA volunteers work within the courts in collaboration with key agencies, legal counsel, and community resources to ensure that every child in foster care in Central Oregon can transition into a safe and permanent home.

For a child to enter foster care, a Judge must find that the child has suffered abuse, neglect, and/or faces an imminent threat of serious harm. The Judge holds a hearing to transfer legal custody to the State and opens a dependency case against the parents. Oregon State Statute 419B.112 states that for every dependency case, “the court shall appoint a court appointed special advocate.” The statute clarifies the CASA role is to investigate all relevant information about the case; advocate for the child; facilitate and negotiate to ensure that the court, ODHS, and the child’s attorney fulfill their obligations to the child; and monitor all court orders to ensure.

Despite the legal mandate to appoint a CASA for every child in foster care, CASA programs received just 15% of the needed funding to fully serve all children in foster care in Oregon from the state legislator during the last biennium. In 2022, 319 children spent time in foster care in Deschutes County, up from 277 children in 2019. CASA volunteers, with the help of 4.5 FTE staff, served 84% of children in foster care in Deschutes County in 2022. Funding from Victim Services has helped CASA of Central Oregon to serve the increasing number of child victims in Deschutes County.

CASA of Central Oregon will use funds received through the FY 23-25 Victim Services Grant to recruit, train and support CASA volunteers to advocate for children in foster care. With this funding, CASA of Central Oregon will maintain/increase staff hours for direct recruitment, training, and support of 40-50 CASA volunteer advocates to provide trauma-informed support to approximately 112 additional children in Deschutes County (either children currently monitored by staff and on a waitlist for a CASA Advocate, or children expected to enter foster care in FY 23-25).

The Community-Based Victim Services Advisory Panel from the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission will use the follow questions to evaluate whether the proposed services funds will positively impact victims, based on criteria outlined in OAR 213-060-0060 (6). Please ensure you have reviewed this criteria and your answer reflect answers to best meet this criteria.

2. How will the proposed services address the need for services in the community that target marginalized, underserved populations? **Must use 350 words or less. 20 points**

CASA of Central Oregon is appointed to every dependency case in Deschutes County. When a volunteer is available, they are assigned to a child or sibling group. The CASA volunteer is a party to the case and ensures that a child’s best interest is represented at all court proceedings. A CASA volunteer is a consistent presence

for that child, promoting the child's path towards healing and recovery, speaking for the child in the courtroom, ensuring the child receives all needed services, and helping prevent future abuse by identifying supports needed for safe and permanent family reunification to occur.

Children who have experienced abuse and neglect from their primary caregivers are perhaps one of the most vulnerable and marginalized populations there is. Under Oregon law, "child abuse" is "any assault of a child and any physical injury to a child which has been caused by other than accidental means," including sexual abuse, sexual exploitation, negligent treatment or maltreatment, threatened harm, and exposure to a controlled substance.

Most children are placed in foster care for a combination of factors, including abuse, neglect, exposure to domestic violence, parental substance abuse, and parental mental illness. Recent studies have shown that children in foster care are far more likely to have experienced at least four ACEs compared to the general population.

In Central Oregon, the CASA is often the only consistent adult presence in a child's life during their time in foster care. A child will experience an average of four caseworkers and three foster homes during their time in care, but just one CASA. The ongoing support of one trusted person can be the key to that child achieving a greater degree of resilience and recovery from trauma.

This advocacy is effective; national studies show children paired with a CASA tend to receive more needed services, tend to do better in school and in key mental health markers, are less likely to re-enter the foster care system after their case closes, and report higher levels of hope and optimism than children without a CASA volunteer advocating for their best interests.

3. How will the proposed services address access barriers, such as, but not limited to: language, literacy, disability, cultural practices, and transportation issues? **Must use 350 words or less. 20 points**

CASA volunteers complete 40 hours of training prior to being sworn-in by a Circuit Court Judge. Each volunteer is assigned to a child or sibling group. Volunteers are appointed to work with all children in foster care, regardless of what barriers may exist. Staff works to equip volunteers to handle the unique challenges that each child faces including but not limited to literacy, disability, transportation, and cultural practices. In partnership with National CASA, we offer a robust continuing education that includes topics that support culturally responsive advocacy.

We actively recruit bilingual CASA volunteers and have identified volunteers who speak additional languages and can serve as translators if language barriers exist with children or families. In addition, volunteers who specialize in education and IEPs, physical and developmental disabilities, serve as Peer Resources for other CASAs. For example, volunteers are trained to advocate for children under the requirements of the Indian Child Welfare Act, when applicable, and are often the conduit connecting the child with cultural practices and extended family.

CASA volunteers visit the children who they serve at least once per month, often in the child's foster home. This eliminates some barriers related to transportation, since volunteers come to the child. Grant funds from Victim Services will also be used in part to support CASAs travel to more rural areas of the County and to serve children in rural foster placements. In addition, our program has an innovative transportation program that allows some CASAs to assist with the transport of a child to activities identified to build resilience.

4. Will the proposed services increase capacity for geographic areas where services are difficult to access, limited, or non-existent? **Yes or No answer only. 10 points for yes. 0 points for no.**

Yes or No Only

5. Are the proposed services trauma-informed? **Yes or No answer only. 10 points for yes. 0 points for no.**

Yes or No Only

6. Do you use Osniium for your existing data collection requirements? **No points**

Yes Or No

If no, in 200 words or less identify what data, including, but not limited to, demographic information of victims served will be collected.

CASA of Central Oregon uses a cloud-based, CASA-specific, secure data system called Optima to store and track all data with a high level of confidentiality. The information on every child in foster care includes a minimum of the following: date a child entered care, total time in care, number of times in care, contact information for all foster placements, contact information for all caseworkers, contact information for all mental/physical health providers, child's health history, number/names of schools, child's age/gender, sibling information, reason for entering foster care, all police reports, household income and other demographic information on parents (if available), if/why a parent is incarcerated, child's race, ethnicity, whether ICWA applies, and child's primary language. The database also holds legal discovery from all parties, CASA court reports, and Citizen Review Board recommendations. CASA of Central Oregon tracks Advocate tenure and demographic information as well as the number of cases/children an Advocate supports over their tenure.

7. Are you a culturally specific organization as defined in SB 1510 (2022)?

("Culturally specific organization" means an organization, or a program within an organization, that serves a particular cultural community, that is primarily staffed and led by members of that community and that demonstrates self-advocacy, positive cultural identity and intimate knowledge of the lived experience of the community, including but not limited to:

- (A) The impact of structural and individual racism or discrimination on the community;
- (B) Specific disparities in access to services and resources experienced by the community;
- and (C) Community strengths, cultural practices, beliefs and traditions.)

Up to 10 points for yes. 0 points for no.

If yes, briefly describe how in 200 words or less.

No

8. Does this program provide culturally responsive services as defined in SB 1510 (2022)? ("Culturally responsive service" means a service that is respectful of, and relevant to, the beliefs, practices, cultures and linguistic needs of diverse consumer or client populations and communities whose members identify as having particular cultural or linguistic

affiliations by virtue of their place of birth, ancestry or ethnic origin, religion, preferred language or language spoken at home. A culturally responsive service has the capacity to respond to the issues of diverse communities and require knowledge and capacity at systemic, organizational, professional and individual levels of intervention. **Up to 10 points for yes. 0 points for no.**

If yes, briefly describe how in 200 words or less.

Yes.

CASA of Central Oregon is committed to creating and nurturing an organization that values and honors diversity, strives for equity, and practices inclusion for all community members.

Children of color and LGBTQ+ youth are disproportionately represented in the foster care system. To address these inequities, CASA staff, volunteers, and the Board of Directors receive specialized continuing education in working with populations who have experienced historic inequity. New CASAs receive an overview of the culturally specific and individualized needs of the children in the pre-service training. Topics covered in CASA training include cultural competency, Indian Child Welfare Act, and LGBTQ+ identity.

The individual relationships that CASA volunteers have with the children they advocate for is an opportunity to address individual intervention. As a volunteer gets to know the specific needs of the child who they advocate for, they work with staff to develop individualized child advocacy plans. In this process, we identify culturally specific and specialized needs. CASA staff provide volunteers with names of culturally specific service providers, resources, support groups, and community programs to meet children's specific needs. CASAs stay in contact with specialized service providers, attend relevant meetings, and ensure that children's culturally specific needs are met.

No

Point Break Down

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<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>Notes/Description</u>	<u>2023-2025 Budgeted Amount</u>
Personnel (please list out each position separately)	Program Coordinator 1 – 5 hours per week of 1.0 FTE staff who directly supports CASA volunteers	\$ 15,120.00
	Program Coordinator 2 – 5 hours per week of 1.0 FTE staff who directly supports CASA volunteers	\$ 15,120.00
	Program Director – 5 hours per week of 1.0 FTE staff who supervises CASA training, continuing education, and advocate support	\$ 19,160.00
	Office Administrator – 5 hours per week of 1.0 FTE staff who gives advocate technical support, coordinates case communication, files discovery, and oversees database management	\$ 13,500.00

Fringe		
Contractual/Consultant Services		
Supplies		
Travel/Training		
Equipment		
Rent/Utilities		
Evaluation		
Administrative Cost (10% Max)		\$6,000
Total Amount Requested as a dollar amount and as a percentage of \$160,000		\$68,900, 43% of \$160,000.00

Deschutes County Local Public Safety Coordinating Council

Grant Application	
<u>Name of Applicant Organization</u>	J Bar J Youth Services – Anti Trafficking Project (at:project)
<u>Contact Person's Name and Title</u>	Breanne Barrett – Program Director
<u>Phone Number</u>	541-410-7572
<u>Email</u>	Bbarrett@jbarj.org
<u>Address</u>	62895 Hamby Rd. Bend, OR 97701
<u>Grant % Amount Requested</u>	<p>This needs to be a percentage between 1 and 100%. Anticipated total available for Victims Services is \$160,000.00</p> <p style="text-align: center;">25%</p>

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Deirdre Kasberger

Signature – Deirdre Kasberger

July 23, 2023

Date

Chief Operating Officer

Title

Description of Provider:

- What type of victim service provider are you? **(Please highlight or select one)**
 - Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
 - Children's Advocacy Centers
 - Court Appointed Special Advocated
 - **Human Trafficking Services**
 - Bias Incident Services
 - Other: Please describe in 50 words or less

Description of Provider:

- Ten percent of Justice Reinvestment Program funding must be allocated to community based Nonprofit victim services providers. **Please select/highlight all the following that apply to your organization.**
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1. Please describe what services will be provided to victims of crime with this funding and What measures you will use to track services provided. **Must use 400 words or less. 20 Points**

Housing barrier reduction funds and housing navigation services: Access to safe and affordable long-term housing is critical for victims and survivors of human trafficking. Affordable housing programs, including transitional and long-term, often have long waitlists and may restrict eligibility based on immigration status, criminal history, rental history, or current income. The Central Oregon housing landscape is truly complex and can be difficult to navigate, especially after experiencing trauma.

The Anti-Trafficking Project (at:project) along with the Anti-Trafficking Alliance of Central Oregon provides coordination of resources and services to survivors of human trafficking. Housing is the number one requested and most difficult resource to secure. Victims and survivors of trafficking often face additional barriers to accessing housing. The at:project's housing program provides housing navigation services to victims and survivors of trafficking. Funding through this grant will be used to help victims and survivors of trafficking access or maintain long-term housing through the following ways: **1) Prepare to access housing:** documentation replacement, housing debt assistance, transportation assistance. **2) Housing access:** housing application fees, deposit assistance, 1st month's rent, moving assistance, essential furnishings. **3) Housing retention:** rental assistance, utility assistance, legal assistance.

Measures to track services provided: All clients who receive housing assistance funds will be tracked including demographic information and the type of housing assistance they are provided. Clients are assigned a de-identified number. The immediate housing impact after receiving funds will be tracked (stay in own home, moved from one home to another, moved from homeless to housed, moved from shelter to housed, housing prep, or moved from transitional housing to permanent housing.) The percentage of clients maintaining housing at 6 months and at 1 year will be tracked.

Clients will be provided a housing survey which will include the follow:

1. % of survivors reporting they feel better off than they did prior to receiving housing assistance.
2. % of survivors reporting they feel more hopeful about the future
3. % of survivors with children who report their children are safer and more stable
4. % of survivors with children who report they have seen an improvement in their child's mood, behavior or stress levels.
5. % of survivors stating that having stable housing has helped them: keep a job, get a job, attend school, receive medical or mental health services, or manage child custody.

The Community-Based Victim Services Advisory Panel from the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission will use the follow questions to evaluate whether the proposed services funds will positively impact victims, based on criteria outlined in OAR 213-060-0060 (6). Please ensure you have reviewed this criteria and your answer reflect answers to best meet this criteria.

2. How will the proposed services address the need for services in the community that target marginalized, underserved populations? **Must use 350 words or less. 20 points**

Underserved and marginalized populations: Housing navigation services and housing assistance funds will be provided to victims of human trafficking, including both sex and labor trafficking. All clients who receive services through the at:project are from an underserved population due to their trafficking status. In addition to being victims of trafficking, many clients also belong to marginalized populations.

From October 2020 – September 2022 the at:project served 122 victims or survivors of trafficking. Of those who were served:

- 30% self-identified as 2SLGBTQIA+
- 20% reported having a cognitive disability
- 36% of clients identified as non-white, including: Black (10%); multi-racial (9%); American Indian or Alaska Native (6%); and Hispanic/Latino (5%)

At the time of receiving services through the at:project:

- 59% of clients served were housing insecure
- 27% had no housing/living in a place not meant for habitation
- 17% in transitional housing
- 8% in emergency housing
- 7% in institutional housing

3. How will the proposed services address access barriers, such as, but not limited to: language, literacy, disability, cultural practices, and transportation issues? **Must use 350 words or less. 20 points**

The Bilingual Survivor Housing Navigator will work with clients to address barriers to housing by guiding the client through the rental process and providing support in areas such as navigation of voucher programs and intake process; providing transportation to appointments related to housing; searching for housing in areas the client identifies as safe and supports their cultural practices; and working with landlords to house clients who may have additional barriers to be approved for housing (criminal records, poor credit, or lack of rental history).

At:project staff with lived experience and staff with diverse cultural backgrounds are involved in the process of creating, updating and revising program materials and policies of the project. Survivors have a unique and valued experience that offers insight, guidance and recommendations to the at:project.

All program materials have been designed and produced with literacy and language in mind. The client outreach material is available in both English and Spanish, additional translation needed will be accessed through LanguageLine (240 languages available).

All services provided by the at:project are client centered, and client driven. If a client needs additional support due to barriers such as language, literacy, disability, cultural practices or transportation access; additional efforts will be made by the program to reduce barriers and access to services either through in house supports or through collaboration with other community partners.

4. Will the proposed services increase capacity for geographic areas where services are difficult to access, limited, or non-existent? **Yes or No answer only. 10 points for yes. 0 points for no.**

Yes or No Only

5. Are the proposed services trauma-informed? **Yes or No answer only. 10 points for yes. 0 points for no.**

Yes or No Only

6. Do you use Osnum for your existing data collection requirements? **No points**

Yes

Or If no, in 200 words or less identify what data, including, but not limited to, demographic information of victims served will be collected.

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Up to 10 points for yes. 0 points for no.

If yes, briefly describe how in 200 words or less.

No

8. Does this program provide culturally responsive services as defined in SB 1510 (2022)?

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Yes

If yes, briefly describe how in 200 words or less.

The at:project provides culturally responsive services. All services are designed to be respectful of and relevant to the beliefs, practices, cultures, and linguistic needs of survivors of trafficking from diverse backgrounds. We acknowledge and cater to the cultural and linguistic affiliations of individuals based on their place of birth, ancestry, ethnic origin, religion, preferred language or language spoken at home. If specific cultural needs cannot be met through our service, the at:project will work to connect clients to services that meet their needs.

To ensure culturally responsive and survivor informed services the at:project actively recruits and employs survivors of trafficking and staff with culturally diverse backgrounds. All program materials, policies, protocols and service delivery are informed, created, and reviewed by staff with lived experience and staff with culturally diverse backgrounds. The at:project received funding to create a Survivor Advisory Council to further ensure that services are culturally responsive and consider the unique needs of survivors of human trafficking.

All at:project staff receive ongoing training to understand and address the unique issues faced by diverse communities. By embracing cultural sensitivity and promoting inclusivity, we aim to offer comprehensive support and assistance to all individuals, regardless of their cultural or linguistic backgrounds.

Point Break Down

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<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>Notes/Description</u>	<u>2023-2025 Budgeted Amount</u>
Personnel (please list out each position separately)		
Fringe		
Contractual/Consultant Services		
Supplies	Funding to reduce barriers to survivors accessing/retaining housing, to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Housing preparation costs: ID; birth certificates; other expenses to facilitate securing housing or employment (\$2,000) · - - Housing access costs: application fees; deposit assistance; moving expenses (\$18,000) · - - Housing retention costs: rental assistance; utility bills to assist clients in maintaining housing (\$16,500) 	\$36,500
Travel/Training		
Equipment		
Rent/Utilities		
Evaluation		
Administrative Cost (10% Max)	9.6% – Federally approved indirect cost rate	\$3,500
Total Amount Requested as a dollar amount and as a percentage of \$160,000		\$40,000 (25%)

Grant Application	
<u>Name of Applicant Organization</u>	Kids Intervention and Diagnostic Service (KIDS) Center
<u>Contact Person's Name and Title</u>	Danielle MacBain, Grants Manager
<u>Phone Number</u>	541-312-6687
<u>Email</u>	dmacbain@kidscenter.org
<u>Address</u>	1375 NW Kingston Ave., Bend, OR 97703
<u>Grant % Amount Requested</u>	This needs to be a percentage between 1 and 100%. Anticipated total available for Victims Services is \$160,000.00 50%

Certifications

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Gil Levy

Signature

July 24, 2023

Date

Executive Director

Title

Description of Provider:

- What type of victim service provider are you? **(Please highlight or select one)**
 - Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
 - **Children's Advocacy Centers**
 - Court Appointed Special Advocated
 - Human Trafficking Services
 - Bias Incident Services
 - Other: Please describe in 50 words or less

Description of Provider:

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 - **Your organization is a qualified victim services provider or you employ advocates with privilege under ORS 40.264**

1. Please describe what services will be provided to victims of crime with this funding and What measures you will use to track services provided. **Must use 400 words or less. 20 Points**

As the only Children's Advocacy Center in the region, the JRI grant funds will help support our objective to fully meet the needs for comprehensive child abuse evaluations for children in Deschutes County who need our services. As best practice, we offer a medical exam, forensic interview, family advocacy, and therapy in the trauma-informed environment of our Bend clinic. In next couple of years KIDS Center will be working to expand our services through a mobile child abuse evaluation unit to increase access to our specialized healthcare for abused children and their families who live in rural communities in our service area; this includes better access for children in south Deschutes County, as well as Sisters, Redmond, and Brothers.

All awarded JRI funds will specifically support the children of Deschutes County who have experienced abuse. Over the two-year grant period (July 2023 – June 2025), we will utilize JRI grant funds to provide 17 low-income Deschutes County children with comprehensive evaluation services at the cost of \$4,700 per child/family. This cost per child/family includes comprehensive services, which sometimes extend beyond a year after the initial visit.

KIDS Center collects data on all services provided for our clients. As an accredited Children's Advocacy Center we are required to meet national standards which include implementing a case-tracking system that at minimum can retrieve and report on the following statistics: demographic information about the child and family, demographics about the alleged offender, type(s) of alleged abuse, relationship of alleged offender to the child, multi-disciplinary team members involvement with child/family and relevant outcomes, any criminal charges filed, child protection outcomes, and status/follow through of medical and mental health referrals. We also collect information via client feedback surveys.

The Community-Based Victim Services Advisory Panel from the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission will use the follow questions to evaluate whether the proposed services funds will positively impact victims, based on criteria outlined in OAR 213-060-0060 (6). Please ensure you have reviewed this criteria and your answer reflect answers to best meet this criteria.

2. How will the proposed services address the need for services in the community that target marginalized, underserved populations? **Must use 350 words or less. 20 points**

KIDS Center serves all children referred by Law Enforcement partners, DHS-Child Welfare, therapists, and medical providers. The impact of abuse on children is traumatic, especially when it occurs at this crucial stage of human development and effects are further compounded for low-income children whose basic needs may not be met. Extensive research shows that children experiencing Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) such as abuse, who do not receive appropriate support, have significantly increased risks of further abuse, an inability to succeed in school, higher teen pregnancy

rates, and long-term health issues including obesity, diabetes, depression, mental health concerns, and substance abuse.

Children are also referred to KIDS Center for drug and alcohol exposure, or witnessing domestic violence between their parents, which is a leading factor in repeat victimization and continuing the cycle of violence to the next generation.

KIDS Center serves *all* children suspected of child abuse regardless of income, gender, ethnicity, disability, geography, or other factors. This project addresses underserved, and marginalized populations as follows:

1. All children aged 0 to 18 years, and older with cognitive impairments, living in Deschutes County who have been victims of child abuse. Children from Deschutes County account for over 70% of the children we serve.
2. Children living in poverty in Deschutes County. Over 75% of the children and families we serve are low income, or very low income.
3. Children in Deschutes County who face language barriers. In 2022, 8.6% of children seen from Deschutes County are Latino; we provide a Spanish language interpreter for any family with this need. We able to provide interpretation services in over 200 languages, including American Sign Language.
4. Children in Deschutes County who experience a disability. KIDS Center has specially trained staff to accommodate children living with a disability who have been abused.
5. All children in the care of the Department of Human Services – Child Welfare

The need for child abuse evaluation services in Deschutes County continues to be significant. KIDS Center saw a 17% increase in child abuse evaluation services in 2022 from the previous year.

3. How will the proposed services address access barriers, such as, but not limited to: language, literacy, disability, cultural practices, and transportation issues? **Must use 350 words or less. 20 points**

KIDS Center makes every effort to eliminate barriers to services for children referred for suspicions or concerns for abuse. To address financial barriers, *all* services provided by KIDS Center are free of charge for children and families. We strive to provide low barrier access to all children and their families in the following ways:

- We serve children ages 0-18 years, and older when cognitive delays are present, who are referred for services. *No child is turned away.*
- KIDS Center offers to cover transportation and travel costs for our clients to decrease the burden on families who live outside of Bend.
- We are seeking to add a mobile child abuse evaluation unit to further reduce transportation and time restriction barriers.
- We offer tele-health options for therapy and reduce long wait lists by providing in-house therapists. In 2023, we added an additional full-time therapist to our staff.

- Basic needs items like clothing, food and gas are provided as needed so families can focus on healing.
- Staff participate regularly in Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion trainings on topics including LGBTQ+, Latinx, Native populations, disability, BIPOC, bias, etc.
- KIDS Center's facility is Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant. We recently invited members of the community experiencing disabilities to tour our facility and provide feedback to inform accessibility enhancements and to address many types of disabilities.
- KIDS Center welcomes the LGBTQ+ community with clear signage at the entrance.
- Facility signs and information are posted in Spanish and English.
- KIDS Center contracts with Certified Languages International for urgent translation needs and provides interpretation in over 200 languages to ensure equal access for all.
- Family Advocates assists caregivers with intake paperwork when there are literacy challenges.
- Our Lead Forensic Interviewer has completed the Project Ability training through the Oregon Child Abuse Solutions organization. This training helps ensure the Interviewer is competent in interviewing children with disabilities.

One of our key guiding principles is to provide culturally inclusive and equitable services. We recognize the population we serve is a culturally and socially diverse group and therefore tailor our services to these varied needs.

4. Will the proposed services increase capacity for geographic areas where services are difficult to access, limited, or non-existent? **Yes or No answer only. 10 points for yes. 0 points for no.**

Yes or No Only

5. Are the proposed services trauma-informed? **Yes or No answer only. 10 points for yes. 0 points for no.**

Yes or No Only

6. Do you use Osnum for your existing data collection requirements? **No points**

Yes

Or If **no**, in 200 words or less identify what data, including, but not limited to, demographic information of victims served will be collected.

KIDS Center utilizes extensive client data to track populations served, inform service delivery, and evaluate the impact of our work. Our data management system collects detailed case records for every client, including demographic information, reasons for referral, concerns for additional types of abuse, and outcomes resulting from evaluation. Regular data analysis ensures our processes for providing direct services meet the needs of every child in an effective and timely manner. We often utilize data to drive programmatic changes.

KIDS Center also utilizes Outcome Measurement System (OMS) surveys to gain insight from caregivers and teen clients about their experience with our services. The OMS surveys are specifically focused on the efficacy of Child Advocacy Centers and Child Abuse MDTs. Surveys are administered immediately following the initial evaluation

appointment and again 2-3 months later. KIDS Center reports on data points to various grant funders and uses results and feedback to guide our work.

Therapy Client Feedback Surveys are provided twice throughout the course of treatment; between 4-6 weeks and at treatment termination. These anonymous surveys provide feedback about the clinician's ability to build rapport with the client, address treatment needs, and gain an understanding of a client's satisfaction and progress in treatment.

7. Are you a culturally specific organization as defined in SB 1510 (2022)?

("Culturally specific organization" means an organization, or a program within an organization, that serves a particular cultural community, that is primarily staffed and led by members of that community and that demonstrates self-advocacy, positive cultural identity and intimate knowledge of the lived experience of the community, including but not limited to:

- (A) The impact of structural and individual racism or discrimination on the community;
- (B) Specific disparities in access to services and resources experienced by the community; and
- (C) Community strengths, cultural practices, beliefs and traditions.)

Up to 10 points for yes. 0 points for no.

If yes, briefly describe how in 200 words or less.

KIDS Center clients are not specific to a particular culture, rather it is a broad community who share one common defining characteristic: the trauma of child abuse. The impact of abuse crosses all boundaries regardless of personal or demographic characteristics. Our staff compassionately serve children during an especially challenging and traumatic time in their life; they bear witness to horrific stories. Members of our staff have personally experienced child abuse and have chosen to be a part of the recovery process for others who are experiencing what they endured. In our underserved community, people's most pressing need is to receive trauma-informed services to begin the process of healing.

KIDS Center staff reflects our community through representation of disability, gender/sexuality, geography, race/ethnicity, socio-economic status, and lived experience of child abuse. Our leadership staff is predominantly female, as are the majority of child abuse victims, and live within the region and represent different races/ethnicities. All staff and board members participate in training to gain enhanced perspectives of child abuse and its effects on children and family members, the strengths and challenges of the various cultures reflected by our clients, and the impacts of the barriers to accessing services and resources.

8. Does this program provide culturally responsive services as defined in SB 1510 (2022)? ("Culturally responsive service" means a service that is respectful of, and relevant to, the beliefs, practices, cultures and linguistic needs of diverse consumer or client populations and communities whose members identify as having particular cultural or linguistic affiliations by virtue of their place of birth, ancestry or ethnic origin, religion, preferred language or language spoken at home. A culturally responsive service has the capacity to respond to the issues of diverse communities and require knowledge and capacity at systemic, organizational, professional and individual levels of intervention. **Up to 10 points for yes. 0 points for no.**

If yes, briefly describe how in 200 words or less.

As an organization, and as individuals, KIDS Center's staff regularly dedicate time and energy to ensuring we meet children and families with a lens of respect and acceptance. Our staff reflects our clients through representation of disability, gender/sexuality, geography, race/ethnicity, socio-economic status, and lived experience of child abuse.

KIDS Center strives to provide an atmosphere that is welcoming and comfortable to all our families regardless of their cultures, beliefs, practices, and linguistic needs. We provide interpreter services when requested, accommodate special needs and requests, and have created a physical space to reflect that we welcome everyone.

Point Break Down

Question 1	20 pts
Question 2	20 pts
Question 3	20 pts
Question 4	10 pts
Question 5	10 pts
Question 6	0 pts
Question 7	10 pts
Question 8	10 pts
Total	100 pts

Please prepare a budget based on the dollar amount of the percentage that you are requesting. For example if you are requesting 25% of the \$160,000 please prepare a budget

that adds up to \$40,000. The budget needs to clearly show a breakdown of costs in the following categories:

<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>Notes/Description</u>	<u>2023-2025 Budgeted Amount</u>
Personnel (please list out each position separately)	Grant funds would be allocated to the salaries of KIDS Center Medical Examiners (MD, FNP, NP, PA), Forensic Interviewers (JD, MS, BA), and Family Advocates (BA, AA).	M.E. = \$26,666 F.I. = \$26,666 F.A. = \$26,666
Fringe		
Contractual/Consultant Services		
Supplies		
Travel/Training		
Equipment		
Rent/Utilities		
Evaluation		
Administrative Cost (10% Max)		
Total Amount Requested as a dollar amount and as a percentage of \$160,000		\$80,000