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Memorandum of Understanding

WHEREAS, Seekhaven Family Crisis & Resource Center (Seekhaven), Utah Domestic Violence Coalition (UDVC), Children's Justice Center of Grand County (CJC-GC), The Moab Regional Hospital SANE Program (MRH-SANE), Grand County Victim Assistance Unit (VAU), Utah Coalition Against Sexual Assault (UCASA), Children's Justice Center of San Juan County (CJC-SJC), Moab Police Department (Moab-PD), San Juan County Sheriff's Office (SJC-SO), and San Juan County Government (SJCG) have come together to collaborate and to make an application for the Office of Violence Against Women's Fiscal Year 2025 Rural Domestic Violence (DV), Dating Violence, Sexual Assault (SA), and Stalking Program grant; and

WHEREAS, the partners listed below have agreed to enter into a collaborative agreement in which Seekhaven will be the lead agency and named applicant and the other agencies will be partners in this application; and

WHEREAS, the partners herein desire to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding setting forth the services to be provided by the collaborative; and

WHEREAS, the application prepared and approved by the collaborative through its partners is to be submitted to the Office on Violence Against Women on or before Thursday, July 10, 2025 by 8:59 PM ET;

I) Description of Partner Agencies & Brief History of Collaborative Relationship

A. Seekhaven Family Crisis and Resource Center (Seekhaven) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and is a state licensed shelter facility offering emergency refuge and supportive services to survivors of DV, dating violence, SA, stalking, and related victimizations in the rural area of Southeastern Utah (Grand, Emery, and San Juan Counties). Established in 1990, its mission is to empower individuals and families to survive DV and SA and to thrive in a strengthened community. Seekhaven provides confidential, victim-centered, and trauma-informed advocacy and support services to victims and survivors. Seekhaven also provides prevention education and promotes protective factors to stop violence before it starts. Seekhaven's emergency shelter and internal crisis hotline (435-259-2229) operates 24/7, 365 days a year. As the community advocacy center with the largest service area in the state of Utah (Seekhaven's service area that makes up approximately one fifth of the state by land mass), Seekhaven serves only individuals living in areas officially classified as rural or frontier. Looking forward, Seekhaven is working hard to expand services across all of its Southeastern Utah service area, to best serve all victims and survivors of DV, dating violence, SA, and stalking.

- B. Utah Domestic Violence Coalition (UDVC) is the federally recognized state coalition addressing DV in Utah. UDVC was created in 1978 as an advisory council, incorporated in 1993 and became an independent 501(c)(3) in 1998. UDVC provides training & technical assistance to non-profit DV shelters and supportive service agencies as well as a wealth of other community & state partners seeking to improve their response to survivors of DV. UDVC advocates for the development of policies and practices that enhance victim safety and empowerment while raising awareness of the need for prevention and intervention; it also houses and operates the 24/7 confidential and anonymous DV crisis line (the LINKline at 1-800-897-5465). Seekhaven has been a member program of UDVC since inception of its membership scheme and a LAP partner since August 2017. Seekhaven maintains formal engagement and collaboration with UDVC through Seekhaven's Executive Director's co-chairing of the UDVC state-wide Public Policy Committee, amongst other committee and subcommittee attendance. Over the past three years, Seekhaven spearheaded implementation of the One Love Foundation prevention education curriculum as a partner under UDVC's 2021 OVW grant award. Seekhaven and UDVC look forward to continued collaboration on the goal of service expansion across rural and frontier Southeastern Utah to best serve all victims and survivors of domestic and dating violence so they may all maintain safety and stability.
- C. Children's Justice Center of Grand County (CJC-GC) Utah's Children's Justice Centers provide a child-friendly atmosphere designed to help children feel safe and comfortable while they are being interviewed regarding alleged abuse. The centers provide abused children and their families with referrals for support services, such as therapy, medical care, and victim resources. Seekhaven and the CJC-GC have maintained consistent collaboration for over a decade on various cases while regularly making referrals to one another's programs ensuring local families experiencing abuse and trauma receive the resources they need to heal. CJC-GC is a vital member of the Grand County Sexual Assault Response Team (SART), which Seekhaven also takes an active membership role in. Seekhaven's Executive Director has had a position on the CJC-GC advisory board for approximately a decade. Looking forward, Seekhaven and the CJC-GC are collaborating towards the shared goal of better serving all the children of Southeastern Utah, specifically Grand County, who are primary and/or secondary victims and survivors of DV, dating violence, SA, and stalking.
- D. **Moab Regional Hospital, SANE Program (MRH-SANE)** who collaborates closely with other local service providers to try to ensure a tight safety net for SA survivors. As the local SANE Program Coordinator, Kerri Fife (RN, BSN, CFRN) has recruited nurses and coordinated forensic exam training to better serve victims of DV, dating violence, SA, and stalking who are in need of forensic examination and hospital services. Kerri Fife, as a representative of the Moab Regional Hospital, attends Grand County Sexual Assault Response Team (GC-SART) meetings on a monthly basis and as needed to ensure victims receive utmost and consistent follow up care. Collaboration between MRH and Seekhaven has been longstanding as interpersonal crimes regularly necessitate medical attention; partnership is estimated to have been initiated since MRH first opened their doors in 2011. As the main access points for acute SA incidents in Grand County, Seekhaven and MRH have taken the lead in coordinating writing workshops to complete the first-ever GC-SART Manual. Once the manual is finalized, our programs will work to review the manual on a regular basis. This practice will be done in tandem with regular refresher training and procedure reviews to ensure compliance and consistency in

our collective response to acute SA. Seekhaven and MRH look forward to continued collaboration on the goal of service expansion across rural and frontier Southeastern Utah to best serve SA victims.

- E. Victim Assistance Unit (VAU): The Victim Assistance Unit, housed within the Moab City Police Department (MCPD), aims to reduce trauma for victims and witnesses of crime, including victims of DV, dating violence, SA, and stalking, by making the criminal justice system more understandable and accessible and to provide support and resources. To do so, the VAU works with local law enforcement (MCPD, Grand County Sheriff's Office, National Park Services, and more), Grand County Attorney's Office. Children's Justice Center-Grand County. Children's Justice Center-San Juan County. and the courts. Services include providing victims with information about their rights and resources, advocating for the enforcement of victims' rights, coordinating with other community agencies to ensure victims receive comprehensive support, and helping victims understand and navigate the criminal justice system. Seekhaven has worked with the VAU since their inception in 2018 and has provided substantial support and resources to the growth and development of the program. The VAU sees it as imperative that victims have access to full confidentiality and supportive services (such as financial aid, emergency shelter, and advocacy). Additionally, VAU is a vital member of the Grand County SART. To ensure victims of DV, dating violence, SA, and stalking have access locally to important services, the VAU refers clients to Seekhaven when applicable. Moving forward, the VAU and Seekhaven understand this relationship as vital to more holistically serve victims and survivors in these victimization categories.
- F. Utah Coalition Against Sexual Assault (UCASA) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization started in 1996 that aims to support SA survivors and work to prevent SA in all forms. They do so through their mission to engage individuals and organizations in local and statewide collaborations to strengthen the effectiveness of sexual violence education, prevention, and response in Utah. UCASA works with statewide programs and efforts for the following victimizations: dating violence, SA, and stalking. Other key UCASA programming includes outreach and community education efforts, including the operation of a training program surrounding client confidentiality laws and standards. Seekhaven has been a UCASA affiliated program since UCASA's formation and actively collaborates with UCASA through ongoing trainings, policy advocacy, coordination of SA service provider meetings, and other state-wide coordination efforts. Seekhaven and UCASA look forward to continued collaboration on the goal of service expansion across rural and frontier Southeastern Utah to best serve SA victims.
- G. Children's Justice Center, San Juan County (CJC-SJC) Utah's Children's Justice Centers provide a child-friendly atmosphere designed to help children feel safe and comfortable while they are being interviewed regarding alleged abuse. The centers provide abused children and their families with referrals for support services, such as therapy, medical care, and victim resources. The CJC-SJC was maintained under Grand County until 2024, when San Juan County selected to split cases by jurisdiction and hire their own standalone director. The CJC-SJC office has allowed Seekhaven to use office space in the past, but this agreement was understandably terminated when the county split occurred and the space was needed. Since then, Seekhaven has continued to maintain a consistent collaboration, making referrals to one another's programs and ensuring local families experiencing abuse and trauma receive the resources they need to heal. Both entities participate in regional training opportunities and SJC-SART meetings. Looking forward, Seekhaven and the CJC-SJC are collaborating towards the shared goal of better serving all the children of Southeastern Utah, who are

primary and secondary victims and survivors of DV, dating violence, SA, and stalking.

- H. Moab Police Department (MCPD) is the primary law enforcement agency for the City of Moab, which is a resource hub with the size of approximately 4 square miles in Southeast Utah. In addition to serving and protecting nearly 10,000 residents working and accessing resources (5,300 of which live in the city limits), MCPD also interfaces with 3 million visitors annually. Tourists travel to Moab to experience local parks and outdoor recreation activities in the Canyonlands National Park, Arches National Park, Dead Horse State Park, Slick Rock trails, Colorado River, and more. Seekhaven was the primary victim resource and service reference for MCPD for decades until the Victim Assistance Unit was developed in 2018. While the MCPD continues to make Lethality Assessment referrals to Seekhaven, as is mandated by the state since 2023, MCPD often engages with Seekhaven with or through VAU. Together, Seekhaven and MCPD have coordinated numerous trainings, case reviews, policy meetings, and more to ensure consistent and trauma-informed approaches to cases involving DV, dating violence, SA, and stalking. Looking forward, Seekhaven and the MCPD are working to continue bettering the interagency coordinated response and implement best practices to best serve victims and survivors of DV, dating violence, SA, and stalking.
- San Juan County Sheriff's Office (SJC-SO) is the primary law enforcement agency for San Juan County, Utah, and regularly collaborates with Grand County Sheriff's Department, Federal Bureau of Investigation, National Park Services, Bureau of Land Management, and Navajo Nation law enforcement agencies. San Juan County is the largest and least populated county in the state of Utah. with 14,500 people living in 7,933 square miles. With the "Moab Valley" located on the county line, some residents residing in San Juan County reasonably rely on services and systems in Moab and Grand County, especially as the nearest town of Monticello is located an hour away. This jurisdictional nuance has resulted in numerous needs for collaboration and interactions, as Seekhaven is the closest victim advocacy program. Per Utah statute, SJC-SO is mandated to make Lethality Assessment referrals to a community advocacy agency; given Seekhaven's proximity and the general lack of advocacy centers in the area, Seekhaven is a regular referral agency. Additionally, SJC-SO has attended numerous trainings coordinated by Seekhaven. Training topics have been in the area of trauma-informed approaches to cases involving DV, dating violence, SA, and stalking. Seekhaven and the SJC-SO are looking forward to continued collaboration on the goal of service expansion across rural and frontier Southeastern Utah, specifically San Juan County, to best serve victims of DV, dating violence, SA, and stalking.
- J. San Juan County Government (SJCG) and Seekhaven have a fairly new relationship, historically engaging through the SJC-CJC, SJC- Attorney's Office, and SJC- Sheriff's Office, and not formally through the county government staff members. SJCG is in the process of strategic planning the county's needs with a desire to more holistically address DV, dating violence, SA, and stalking. Understanding existing risk factors for interpersonal violence, barriers to reporting, and the proximity to the Navajo Nation and the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Relative's epidemic, there is a mutual understanding of a need to address the victimizations outlined in this grant application. Engaging primarily with the lead administrator, Mack McDonald, Seekhaven and the SJCG, with support from the UDVC, have coordinated regular meetings to discuss issues, trends, possible solutions, and resources available to address and prevent DV, dating violence, SA, and stalking, coordinated by Seekhaven.

Seekhaven and the SJCG are looking forward to continued collaboration on the goal of service expansion across rural and frontier Southeastern Utah, specifically San Juan County, to best serve victims of DV, dating violence, SA, and stalking.

III) Development of Application

This application was developed as a result of ongoing collaboration among cross-sector partners working to address DV, dating violence, SA, and stalking in Grand, Emery, and San Juan counties in rural Southeastern Utah. In preparation for this proposal, Seekhaven Family Crisis and Resource Center convened regular planning meetings, both virtual and in-person, with project partners through pre-established team meetings to identify local service gaps, community needs, and opportunities for coordinated, trauma-informed responses.

Each MOU partner contributed substantially to the development and direction of this application through their ongoing collaboration with Seekhaven. The Utah Domestic Violence Coalition (UDVC) and the Utah Coalition Against Sexual Assault (UCASA) offered guidance on statewide best practices, prevention education, and technical assistance models. The Children's Justice Centers of Grand and San Juan Counties (CJC-GC and CJC-SJC) helped shape both prevention and systems coordination components based on their frontline experience and deep community engagement. Victim Assistance Units in Grand (VAU) contributed insight into rural victim needs and cross-system communication. Moab Regional Hospital's SANE Program (MRH-SANE), led by Kerri Fife, RN, BSN, CFRN, collaborated on strategies to improve forensic medical care access and SART coordination.

San Juan County Government (SJCG), represented by Chief Administrative Officer Mack McDonald, shared expertise in rural systems coordination and infrastructure development. Law enforcement partners—including the Moab City Police Department (MCPD) and the San Juan County Sheriff's Office (SJC-SO)—helped refine proposed training and referral coordination strategies. All partners participated in identifying needs, confirming mutual roles, and contributing to a shared vision for safer, more equitable services for survivors across Southeastern Utah.

IV) Roles and Responsibilities

NOW, **THEREFORE**, it is hereby agreed by and between the partners as follows:

A. Seekhaven Family Crisis and Resource Center (Seekhaven) as the lead agency, Seekhaven will meaningfully addresses rural service expansion for survivors of sexual assault in Southeastern Utah as outlined in this grant. Specific responsibilities include: (1) be responsible for the day to day management, fulfillment of outlined goals and objectives, and fiscal oversight of this grant; (2) provide overall project management, staffing, and coordination for all collaborative projects; (3) ensure compliance with all grant requirements, reporting, and evaluation; (4) facilitate regular communication among project partners through scheduled meetings and reporting to all MOU partners; (5) offer technical support and capacity-building resources as needed in relation to this grant project as outlined with the focus to continue service expansion and access to all victims and survivors of DV, dating violence, SA, and stalking in rural Southeastern Utah, specifically Grand, Emery, and San Juan Counties.

- B. Utah Domestic Violence Coalition (UDVC) agrees to collaborate with Seekhaven in implementing the OVW Rural Program funded project through facilitation, technical assistance, and providing trainings to enhance services for victims of DV, dating violence, SA, and stalking in the rural communities of Southeastern Utah. Specific responsibilities include: (1) Help facilitate conversations and aid in relationship building when helpful between Seekhaven, local government partners, service providers, and other relevant collaborators; (2) provide individualized and dedicated technical assistance to Seekhaven, local agencies, and multidisciplinary teams in the three-county region of Southeastern Utah (Emery, Grand, and San Juan Counties) to enhance their capacity to serve victims effectively and collaboratively; (3) help develop and deliver trauma-informed trainings rooted in best practices in Emery, Grand, and San Juan Counties for professionals working with victims of DV, dating violence, SA, and stalking; (4) as needed, support with regional meetings with relevant system and community partners to build partnerships, aid in resource sharing, and help with establishing effective service networks throughout the State of Utah.
- C. Children's Justice Center of Grand County (CJC-GC) agrees to participate as a partner in this OVW Rural Program funded project by developing and delivering prevention education, encouraging trauma-informed practices, facilitating interagency collaboration, and supporting the expansion and sustainability of services across Southeastern Utah. This partnership meaningfully addresses rural service expansion for survivors of SA in Southeastern Utah as outlined in this grant. Specific responsibilities include: (1) Develop and provide trauma-informed prevention education rooted in best practices surrounding SA when applicable to victims and survivors, as well as community partners, in Grand County; (2) encourage the use of trauma-informed prevention tools in CJC-GC work; (4) participate in regular monthly multidisciplinary team meetings, specifically the Grand County Sexual Assault Response Team (SART), to improve collaboration across service systems; (5) garner support, attendance, and collaboration of all community partners interested in the expansion of services and prevention education related to the scope of this grant in rural Southeastern Utah, specifically Grand County.

Seekhaven and the CJC-GC acknowledges the 30% prevention cap pursuant to the OVW Rural Program budget rules; this application's prevention work is both well within the allowable prevention allowable cost rate and, additionally, the work of the CJC-GC is not funded by this grant (as described in section VI of this MOU).

D. Moab Regional Hospital, SANE Program (MRH-SANE) agrees to support the goals of this OVW Rural Program funded project by leading the coordination and delivery of Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) services and Strangulation Forensic Exams, and by enhancing trauma-informed forensic healthcare access for survivors in rural communities. This partnership meaningfully addresses rural service expansion for survivors of SA in Southeastern Utah as outlined in this grant. Specific responsibilities include: (1) Develop and deliver Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) specific, and related, info trainings within rural Southeastern Utah, specifically in Grand County, to community and multidisciplinary partners; (2) collaborate with law enforcement, victim advocates, and prosecutors to strengthen GC-SART protocols that prioritize victim autonomy and confidentiality; (3) develop and provide training to healthcare staff, first responders, and community partners on, including but not

limited to trauma-informed care for SA survivors, evidence collection protocols and chain of custody, consent procedures and patient rights, other considerations in rural and underserved communities; (4) participate in regular monthly multidisciplinary planning meetings and collaborative activities with project partners within GC-SART to improve SANE service provision for victims of SA in Southeastern Utah.

- E. Grand County Victim Assistance Unit (VAU): agrees to support the implementation of the OVW Rural Program funded project by coordinating services for victims of DV, dating violence, SA, and stalking in Grand County, and by strengthening system-wide responses through training and collaboration. This partnership meaningfully addresses rural service expansion for survivors of SA in Southeastern Utah as outlined in this grant. Specific responsibilities include: (1) Mutually provide service referrals to Seekhaven and other appropriate local and regional services for primary and secondary victims and survivors in Southeastern Utah, specifically Grand County, including emergency shelter, counseling and mental health services, legal advocacy and protection order support, and SANE/forensic medical exams and healthcare; (2) develop and provide victims services related information, trainings, and/or educational outreach (e.g., victim rights and service pathways, trauma-informed engagement, understanding the unique barriers faced by rural and underserved survivors) for multidisciplinary professionals (e.g., law enforcement, court staff, schools, healthcare workers); (3) participate in the local Coordinated Community Response (CCR) and Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) meetings to support collaboration across agencies; (4) contribute to the development and distribution of resource materials for victims (e.g., referral guides, flowcharts, outreach brochures); (5) garner support, attendance, and collaboration of all community partners interested in the expansion of services, specifically law enforcement, court, and victim assistance agencies related to the scope of this grant in rural Southeastern Utah.
- F. Utah Coalition Against Sexual Assault (UCASA) agrees to collaborate with Seekhaven in implementing the OVW Rural Program funded project through facilitation, technical assistance, and trainings to enhance services for victims of SA, dating violence, stalking, sexual exploitatin, and sex trafficking, as well as providing SA prevention education in rural communities. This partnership meaningfully addresses rural service expansion for survivors of SA in Southeastern Utah as outlined in this grant. Specific responsibilities include: (1) Help facilitate conversations and aid in relationship building when helpful between Seekhaven, local government partners, SA service providers, and other relevant collaborators; (2) provide individualized and dedicated technical assistance to Seekhaven, local agencies, and multidisciplinary teams in the three-county region of Southeastern Utah (Emery, Grand, and San Juan Counties) to enhance their capacity to serve victims effectively and collaboratively; (3) help develop and deliver trauma-informed trainings rooted in best practices in Emery, Grand, and San Juan Counties for professionals working with victims of SA, dating violence, stalking, sexual exploitation, and sex trafficking; 4) provide technical assistance and support in developing and expanding SA prevention education throughout Southeastern Utah, specifically Emery, Grand and San Juan Counties.
- G. The Children's Justice Center of San Juan County (CJC-SJC) agrees to participate as a partner in this OVW Rural Program funded project by supporting and facilitating Seekhaven's prevention education in San Juan County, encouraging trauma-informed practices, facilitating interagency

collaboration, and supporting the expansion and sustainability of services across Southeastern Utah to support victims of DV, dating violence, SA, and stalking. This partnership meaningfully addresses rural service expansion for survivors of SA in Southeastern Utah as outlined in this grant. Specific responsibilities include: (1) Support and facilitate Seekhaven's trauma-informed prevention education rooted in best practices surrounding SA for victims and survivors, as well as community partners, in San Juan County; (2) encourage the use of trauma-informed prevention tools in their work; (4) participate in regular monthly multidisciplinary team meetings, specifically the San Juan County Sexual Assault Response Team (SJC-SART), to improve collaboration across service systems; (5) assist in identifying and/or securing a centrally located, safe, and accessible facility for service delivery and multi-agency collaboration, either through in-kind space or aiding in facilitation of property acquisition; (6) facilitate referrals and interagency communication across county departments and with community organizations to ensure wraparound support for survivors; (7) garner support, attendance, and collaboration of all community partners interested in the expansion of services and prevention education related to the scope of this grant in rural Southeastern Utah, specifically San Juan County.

Seekhaven and the CJC-SJC acknowledges the 30% prevention cap pursuant to the OVW Rural Program budget rules; this application's prevention work is both well within the allowable prevention allowable cost rate and, additionally, the work of the CJC-SJC is not funded by this grant (as described in section VI of this MOU).

- H. Moab Police Department (MCPD) agrees to serve as a committed partner of the OVW Rural funded project designed to enhance coordinated community responses and better access to services to victims and survivors of DV, dating violence, SA, and stalking in Moab, Utah. Specific responsibilities include: (1) Assign appropriate staff to attend DV, dating violence, SA, and stalking related trainings coordinated by or offered by Seekhaven, including but not limited to trauma-informed response, victim-centered approaches, and community resource awareness; (2) collaborate with Seekhaven on identifying training needs and scheduling opportunities to support goals outlined in this grant proposal; (3) provide timely referrals to Seekhaven for individuals identified as potential survivors of DV, dating violence, SA, or stalking, including those that are determined to be "high risk" according to the State-Wide mandated Lethality Assessment.
- I. San Juan County Sheriff's Office (SJC-SO) agrees to serve as a committed partner of the OVW Rural funded project designed to enhance coordinated community responses and better access to services to victims and survivors of DV, dating violence, SA, and stalking in rural San Juan County. Specific responsibilities include: (1) Assign appropriate staff to attend DV, dating violence, SA, and stalking related trainings coordinated by or offered by Seekhaven, including but not limited to trauma-informed response, victim-centered approaches, and community resource awareness; (2) collaborate with Seekhaven on identifying training needs and scheduling training opportunities, coordinated by or offered by Seekhaven, to support goals outlined in this grant proposal; (3) provide timely referrals to Seekhaven for individuals identified as potential survivors of DV, dating violence, SA, or stalking, including those that are determined to be "high risk" according to the State-Wide mandated Lethality Assessment; (4) make available informational materials (provided by Seekhaven) to victims and survivors of DV, dating violence, SA, and stalking at the time of contact when appropriate and safe to do so; (5) when possible, with consent from the survivor, initiate a referral or direct connection to

Seekhaven's advocacy team.

J. San Juan County Government (SJCG) agrees to serve as a committed partner in the development. implementation, and sustainability of the OVW Rural funded project designed to enhance coordinated community responses and better access to services to victims and survivors of DV, dating violence, SA, and stalking in San Juan County. This partnership meaningfully addresses rural service expansion for survivors of SA in Southeastern Utah as outlined in this grant. Specific responsibilities include: (1) Providing leadership and coordination support for interagency collaboration efforts, particularly between law enforcement (San Juan County Sheriff's Office, Blanding Police Department) and community-based victim service providers, including Seekhaven or other designated partners; (2) assist in identifying and/or securing a centrally located, safe, and accessible facility for service delivery and multi-agency collaboration, either through in-kind space or aiding in facilitation of property acquisition; (3) support training coordination for local law enforcement, judicial stakeholders, and community agencies on trauma-informed practices, victim advocacy, and effective collaboration, focusing on participation from rural responders who often face barriers to professional development; (4) facilitate referrals and interagency communication across county departments and with community organizations to ensure wraparound support for survivors; (5) designate a county representative to participate in grant activities and sustainability planning; (6) contributing in-kind resources such as staff time, meeting space, and communication infrastructure as needed; (7) garner support, attendance, and collaboration of all community partners interested in the expansion of services and prevention education related to the scope of this grant in rural Southeastern Utah, specifically San Juan County.

V) Timeline

The roles and responsibilities described above are contingent on Seekhaven receiving funds requested for the project described in Seekhaven's 2025 OVW Rural Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Program grant application. Responsibilities under this Memorandum of Understanding would coincide with the grant period, anticipated to be 10/01/2025 through 09/30/2028.

VI) Commitment to Partnership

- 1. The collaboration service area includes Grand, Emery, and San Juan counties in Southeastern Utah.
- 2. All parties commit to work together to collectively improve the response to all survivors of domestic violence (DV), dating violence, sexual assault (SA), and stalking in the rural service area stated above in the state of Utah. Activities designed to achieve this improvement include engaging in models to identify victims considered "high risk" and working as a collaborative team to mitigate that risk where possible; collaborating with other community partners to develop a nexus of support services and to leverage limited resources; participating in training to improve in the identification, assessment, and appropriate response to all victims and survivors; and providing additional direct services to survivors. This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) details the precise contribution of each partner although it is hoped that partners will take an active interest in the progress of initiatives outlined in this grant project that they may not be directly involved in and support their uptake in rural areas wherever

possible by sharing information with service providers in the identified service area and encouraging their engagement. All MOU details are pursuant to the program narrative of the grant application attached to this Agreement.

- 3. All parties shall develop and/or maintain policies and/or procedures that do the following in accordance with best practice in their line of work: (a) Support confidentiality related to internal care of client records and that are designed to prevent sharing of confidential victim information with outside organizations and/or individuals without the documented, informed, and willing consent of the survivor, and then only when the sharing of such information has a clear and demonstrable benefit to the victim and (b) promote ongoing safety planning for survivors and provide referrals to relevant service agencies and/or Seekhaven.
- 4. All project partners have reviewed the proposed OVW Rural Program budget and are aware of the total amount being requested. Compensation for partner contributions is outlined in the attached Budget Detail Worksheet. All MOU partners understand and agree that their participation in this project is not contingent upon receiving financial compensation through this grant. These partners have agreed to contribute time, expertise, and/or in-kind resources to support project implementation and sustainability, and acknowledge that they will receive no financial compensation for their involvement from Seekhaven through this grant.
- 5. We, the undersigned, have read and agree with this MOU. Further, we have reviewed the proposed project, and approve it.

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