



Working to end sexual violence in Maryland

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## Special Conditions

<b>Project Title:</b>	FVPSA ARP SA Grant – Support for Sexual Assault Survivors (SSAS)
<b>Implementing Agency:</b>	Maryland Coalition Against Sexual Assault, Inc. (MCASA)
<b>Award Period:</b>	<b>July 1, 2023 – December 31, 2024</b>

1. This grant award is subject to the General Conditions (POST AWARD INSTRUCTIONS) found on the mcasa website [<https://mcasa.org/providers/funding-opportunities>]. The General Conditions/Post Award Instructions are **REQUIRED** to be reviewed and are subject to change without written notice.
2. Throughout the entire period of the grant, the sub-recipient must maintain a valid DUNS Number and current registration with SAM.gov, previously the Central Contractor Registry (CCR). If this number expires during the life of the grant the sub-recipient will not be able to draw down any funds until this number has been re-activated.

A DUNS number is a unique nine-digit sequence recognized as the universal standard for identifying and keeping track of entries receiving federal funds. Information about the registration procedure for SAM can be found at **[www.SAM.gov](http://www.SAM.gov)**.

3. Sub-recipients must be able to receive funds electronically for this grant. EFT information will be provided once award paperwork, Grant Acceptance Form and Notification of Project Commencement, have been signed and returned to MCASA at [mgrants@mcasa.org](mailto:mgrants@mcasa.org).
4. The sub-recipient agrees to maintain statutorily required civil rights statistics on victims served by race, national origin, sex, age, sexual orientation, and disability, within the timetable established by MCASA; and permit reasonable access to its books, documents, papers, and records to determine whether the sub-recipient is complying with applicable civil rights laws. This requirement is waived when providing a service, such as telephone counseling, where soliciting the information may be inappropriate or offensive to the crime victim.
5. Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 10406(c)(5), the applicant will comply with requirements to ensure the non-disclosure of confidential or private information, which includes, but is not limited to: a) grantees will not disclose any personally identifying information collected in connection with services requested (including services used or denied), through grantee's funded activities or reveal personally identifying information without informed, written, reasonably time limited consent by the person about whom information is sought, whether for the FVPSA-funded activities or any other federal or state program and in accordance with 42 U.S.C. § 10406(c)(5)(B)(ii); b) grantees will not release information compelled by statutory or court order unless adhering to the requirements of 42

U.S.C. § 10406(c)(5)(C); and c) grantees may share non-personally identifying information in the aggregate for the purposes enunciated in 42 U.S.C. § 10406(c)(5)(D)(i) as well as for other purposes found in 42 U.S.C. § 10406(c)(5)(D)(ii) and (iii).

6. The address or location of any shelter or facility assisted under the FVPSA that otherwise maintains a confidential location will, except with written authorization of the person or persons responsible for the operation of such shelter, not be made public (42 U.S. C. § 10406(c)(5)(H)). Shelters which choose to remain confidential must develop and maintain systems and protocols to remain secure, which must include policies to respond to disruptive or dangerous contact from abusers (45 CFR § 1370.4(g)(1)).
7. Sub-grantees have established policies, procedures, and protocols to ensure compliance with the provisions of 42 U.S.C. § 10406(c)(5) regarding non-disclosure of confidential or private information (42 U.S.C. § 10407(a)(2)(A)).
8. An additional Quarterly Statistical Report is due with each quarterly progress report and important to this project. This report will be e-mailed to you by MCASA. Failure to complete this additional report may result in delays in reimbursement or suspension of funding.
9. Sub-grantees are required to submit an annual Performance Progress Report (PPR) describing the activities carried out and an evaluation of the effectiveness of those activities in achieving the purposes of the grant (42 U.S.C. § 10406(d)). A section of this performance report must be completed by each sub-grantee that provided program services and activities during the project period.
10. No fees will be levied for assistance or services provided with funds appropriated to carry out the FVPSA (42 U.S.C. § 10406(c)(3)).
11. Sub-grantees will not discriminate on the basis of age, sex, disability, race, color, national origin, or religion (42 U.S.C. § 10406(c)(2)). No person shall on the ground of actual or perceived sex, including gender identity, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under, any program or activity funded in whole or in part through FVPSA (45 CFR § 1370.5(a)). No person shall on the ground of actual or perceived sexual orientation be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under, any program or activity funded in whole or in part through FVPSA (45 CFR § 1370.5(c)). Subgrantees will not discriminate on the basis of gender identity.
12. The receipt of supportive services under the FVPSA will be voluntary. No condition will be applied for the receipt of emergency shelter as described in 42 U.S.C. § 10408(d)(2) and 45 CFR § 1370.10(b)(10).
13. FVPSA funds cannot be used to support Abuser Intervention Program (AIP) alternatives such as anger management.
14. MCASA is acting as a passthrough administrator for funds awarded to the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth & Victim Services (GOCPYVS). Funds will not be distributed to sub-awardees until funds are received by MCASA from the GOCPYVS. MCASA will notify the subgrantee if funds are delayed

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MCASA notes that the source of these Conditions are primarily the Special Conditions used by the Governor's Office of Crime Control & Prevention, edited for applicability and redundancy with General Conditions and incorporating DHHS requirements.

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