STATE OF MAINE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS RFP SUBMITTED QUESTIONS & ANSWERS SUMMARY

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| **RFP NUMBER AND TITLE:** | RFA #202506089 STOP Violence Against Women Grant |
| **RFP ISSUED BY:** | Department of Public Safety |
| **SUBMITTED QUESTIONS DUE DATE:** | July 18, 2025 |
| **QUESTION & ANSWER SUMMARY ISSUED:** | July 21, 2025 |
| **PROPOSAL DUE DATE:** | August 12, 2025 |
| **PROPOSALS DUE TO:** | Proposals@maine.gov |

Provided below are submitted written questions received and the Department’s answer.

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| **1** | **RFP Section & Page Number** | **Question** |
| RFA Part I, section 4,page 6Victim Service Providers | Non-Profit Organizations are listed under the heading, 4. Victim Services Providers. Does that mean that only Non-Profit Organizations that specifically provide victim services are eligible? We do not provide victim services, but we are interested in applying for the grant.Is it possible for us to partner with another organization and apply for the grant that way? |
| **Answer** |
| Yes, non-profits that are not primary purpose victim service organizations can still apply; however, the organization must have a meaningful collaboration that is documented on the Consultation/Collaboration Form and signed by that domestic violence or sexual assault victim service provider agency. This Form is located on page 20 of the RFA. |

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| **2** | **RFP Section & Page Number** | **Question** |
| RFA Part 1, section D, pages 7-8Awards | Are there award amount limits? |
| **Answer** |
| There are no specific per-organization limits, but funds are capped by category. For FY2025, available amounts are:* Victim Services: $327,071
* Law Enforcement: $272,559
* Prosecution: $272,559
* Courts: $54,512
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| **3** | **RFP Section & Page Number** | **Question** |
| RFA Part 1 section D, page 7Awards | Are there limits on the number of applications and/or the amount of funds one organization can submit for? |
| **Answer** |
| Your organization may submit multiple applications for distinct projects, but each proposal must focus on one specific category. Please do not submit one project under multiple categories. |

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| **4** | **RFP Section & Page Number** | **Question** |
| RFA Part 1 section D, page 7Awards RFA Part IVSection C, Page15 | What is the median amount awarded to an organization? |
| **Answer** |
| The RFA does not specify a median award amount. Awards will be made based on application scores and funding availability within each category.The score will be based on a 100-point scale and will measure the degree to which each application meets the following criteria.**Scoring Criteria Points Available**Eligibility Pass/FailQualifications and Experience 30Proposed Project 40Budget 30**Total Points 100 points**Past project performance may affect the rating and ranking of an application. Factors that may be |

included in the past performance review may include the following:

* Applicant compliance with programmatic and financial reporting requirements
* Applicant adherence to special conditions in prior awards
* Applicant timely completion of project work and use of funds in prior award