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4th JUDICIAL DISTRICT

VALE Board

May 12, 2023

ANNOUNCEMENT

VICTIMS ASSISTANCE & LAW ENFORCEMENT (VALE) GRANT FUNDS REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) FOR CY2024

The Victim Assistance and Law Enforcement (VALE) Board for the Fourth Judicial District announces the availability of CY2024 VALE grant funds. Applications will be accepted through July 28, 2023.

The VALE Application <u>has</u> changed for CY 2024. The VALE Board may be conducting a grant training for applicants this year. New applicants are required to attend a VALE Application training which will be held virtually on June 9, 2023 at 10am. This training is optional for applicants who are currently funded by the 4th Judicial District VALE Board. Contact the VALE Administrator for the meeting link.

You may download the instructions and application at www.4thjudicialda.com. After you turn in your application by July 28, 2023, please email Amber at amberholland@elpasoco.com or call (719) 520-6723 to sign up for a presentation date for the fall oral presentations.

Agencies must contact the VALE Administrator by August 11th to schedule their oral presentation.

The Board will not consider applications for agencies that do not schedule and attend the oral presentation unless the agency can prove extenuating circumstances for not participating. Applications must be typed, single-spaced and use a minimum of 10-point font. Applications must be submitted virtually.

The grant period will be January 1, 2024 - December 31, 2024

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER 5:00 P.M., ON JULY 28, 2023, WILL <u>NOT</u> BE ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING.

The original application should be e-mailed to the VALE Administrator:

Amber Holland 105 E. Vermijo Avenue, Colorado Springs, CO 80903 amberholland@elpasoco.com 719-520-6723

If you have any questions, please contact the VALE Administrator, Amber Holland. Your questions will be shared with the VALE Board. Please do not contact individual Board Members with questions.

ANTICIPATED AMOUNT AVAILABLE (subject to change): \$1,500,000

GRANT YEAR: January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024

PURPOSE: The priority use for moneys in the fund shall be for the implementation of the rights afforded to crime victims pursuant to section 24-4.1-302.5 and the provision of the services and programs delineated in sections 24-4.1-303, 24-4.1-304, and 24-4.2-105 (4) related to all crimes as defined by section 24-4.1-302 (1).

ELIGIBILITY: Per statute, to be eligible for VALE funding, an applicant must:

- 1. Provide services within El Paso and/or Teller County; and
- 2. Provide assistance or services to victims of crime, special advocate services or
- 3. Be a law enforcement agency requesting funds for the following purposes, including, but not limited to, additional personnel and professional/consultation fees that are directly related to the implementation of rights

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afforded to crime victims pursuant to C.R.S. 24-4.1-302.5 and the provision of services delineated pursuant to C.R.S. 24-4.1-303 and 24-4.1-304.

- 4. No state agency is eligible for funding, with the exception of:
 - i. The court administrator for each judicial district for the purpose of collecting and disbursing restitution owed to victims; and
 - ii. The local probation department may apply for grants for the purpose of implementing the rights of victims pursuant to 24-4.1-303 (13.5).

FACTORS CONSIDERED IN DETERMINING AWARDS:

- 1. Clear and complete applications.
- 2. Past performance in previous grant cycles including quarterly report writing and timeliness.
- 3. Project goals and objectives are clear and measurable.
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- 5. Non-duplication of services.
- 6. Sound financial management, and ability to administer funds and comply with accountability requirements.
- 7. Application demonstrates community's need for service or project.
- 8. Community support and coordination of services with other agencies.

THE BOARD PRIORITY FOR FUNDING FOR THE CY2024 GRANT CYCLE WILL BE:

- 1. Direct services to victims
- 2. Therapy services that use evidence-based modalities
- 3. Preventative services

ACCEPTABLE REQUESTS FOR FUNDING MAY INCLUDE:

- Admin & staff salaries with fringe benefits.
- Professional Services and Consultants

The Board will consider applications from new agencies.

All agencies requesting grant funds will be required to make a 15-minute oral presentation to the VALE Board.

The VALE Board reserves the right to conduct site visits with any agency applying for or receiving funds from VALE.

All new grant recipients will be required to attend a brief training on Victim's Compensation to be scheduled individually with each agency.