DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIM SERVICES BUILDING BLOCK REQUEST

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I. Why do we need this funding?

- *To address unmet needs of victims and children*

**Stakeholders Addressing Unmet Needs**

- UDVC is the federally recognized victim advocacy non-profit organization
- DHS currently contracts with 13 private victim service providers to serve victims of domestic violence

**Service Providers are at Capacity**

- Domestic violence victim service providers *have increased the amount of victims services by 41.1%* over the past five years;
- Due to lack of capacity, *unmet need increased 67%* during the same period of time.

II. How will the funds be spent?

- Current building block request of additional $693,500 ongoing for victim services
- Any additional funding appropriated in SFY15 to be divided equally among 13 private victim service providers (approximately $53,300 each)
- This funding will be subject to the terms of the contracts administered by DCFS; prioritized for supportive services that promote safety and stability for victims of domestic violence.
- DCFS audits all contracted victim service providers annually for contractual and budgetary compliance
III. Outcomes Measures:
How will we track our progress?

- NOW: SFY14, Performance measurement of shelter nights = immediate safety

- PLAN: SFY15, quantitative and qualitative outcomes including:
  - Shelter nights = immediate safety
  - Supportive services = improvements in safety and quality of life for victims and children