

# Victim Services Appropriations

Victims of crime are your neighbor, sibling, parent, coworker, relative, or friend. Victims cross all socioeconomic, race, gender, and age populations. Every victim of crime deserves to have access to comprehensive social services from trauma informed providers within their community and through the criminal justice process.

## CHILD ABUSE

At least **1 in 7** children have experienced child abuse or neglect in the past year in the United States.<sup>1</sup>



## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Over **1 in 3** women and **1 in 4** men in the US have experienced rape, physical violence, and/or stalking by an intimate partner in their lifetime.<sup>2</sup>



## SEXUAL VIOLENCE

Nearly **1 in 3** women will experience some form of sexual violence in their lifetime.<sup>3</sup> At least **1 in 6** men have experienced sexual abuse or assault in their lifetime.<sup>4</sup>

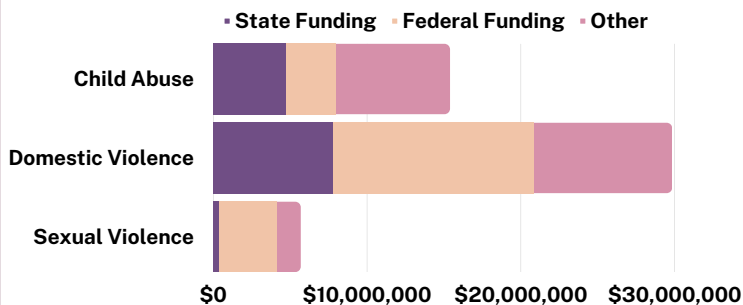


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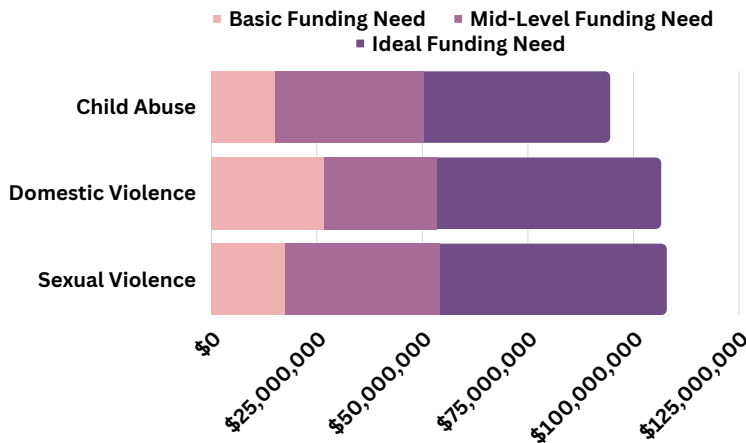
## VICTIM SERVICES FUNDING CRISIS

Victim service agencies like Children Justice Centers, Domestic Violence Shelters, and Rape Crisis Centers serve hundreds of thousands of victims all throughout the state. These agencies are already underfunded and are now facing federal grant cuts from **30-40%**, which equates to a **6-8 million dollar decrease per year**. These cuts are due to the instability of federal funding sources and having minimal state funding support. The victim service appropriation would allow stability and growth in funding resources. This proposed funding and stabilization would allow victim service agencies to provide a more comprehensive trauma informed response to victims of crime.

### CURRENT FUNDING



### BASIC TO IDEAL FUNDING NEEDS

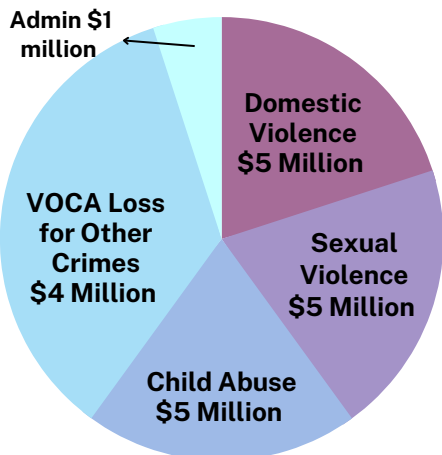


### VOCA FUNDING DECREASING BY 35%

**\$7,000,000**

Proposed Funding for Ongoing Needs and to Assist in Federal Funding Deficits and Insecurity

**\$20 million** ongoing annually



Proposed Funding for One-Time Needs

**\$30 Million** disbursed over 3 years for each crime category

| Victim Services   | FY24        | FY25        | FY26        |
|-------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Child Abuse       | \$2 million | \$4 million | \$4 million |
| Domestic Violence | \$2 million | \$4 million | \$4 million |
| Sexual Violence   | \$2 million | \$4 million | \$4 million |

# Agency Support of Victim Services

## Appropriations



**UTAH  
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE  
COALITION**

**UCASA**

Utah Coalition Against Sexual Assault



Utah Department of  
**Health & Human  
Services**



**UTAH CRIME VICTIMS  
LEGAL CLINIC**



Utah Department of  
**Health & Human Services**  
Child & Family Services



**Utah Council on  
Victims of Crime**

### Agency Support of Victim Services Appropriation

- Utah Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice
  - Utah Office on Domestic and Sexual Violence
- Utah Office for Victims of Crime
  - Crime Victim Reparation and Assistance Board
- Utah Council on Victims of Crime
- Utah Department of Health & Human Services
  - Division of Child and Family Services
- Utah Children's Justice Center Program
- Utah Office of the Attorney General
- Restoring Ancestral Winds, Tribal Coalition
- Utah Domestic Violence Coalition
- Utah Coalition Against Sexual Assault
  - Forensic Nurses in Utah
- Utah Crime Victims Legal Clinic



**Forensic  
Nurses in  
Utah**

