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September 24, 2025

Her Excellency, Governor Kelly A. Ayotte
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, NH 03301

Your Excellency and Members of the Council:

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Justice to amend an existing subgrant with the New Hampshire Department of Corrections, Concord, NH (Vendor #202494-B001), from the U.S. Department of Justice Programs, Federal Victims of Crime Act (VOCA), by increasing the price limitation amount by $33,864 from $104,601 to $138,465 and extending the end date, from March 31, 2026 to September 30, 2026, effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval. The original agreement was approved by the Governor and Executive Council on May 7, 2025, Item #59. 100% Federal Funds.

Funding for this request is available Fiscal Year 2026 as follows:

02-20-20-201510-5021	FY 2026
Victims of Crime Act	
085-588546, Grants, Federal	$33,864

EXPLANATION

VOCA was enacted by Congress in 1984 and it established the Crime Victims Fund. Fines paid by offenders of federal crimes are deposited into this Fund. Money from the Fund is then distributed to states for the benefit of victims of crime. The Department of Justice is the receiving agency for VOCA funds in New Hampshire.

On May 7, 2025, the Governor and Executive Council approved a subgrant from the Department of Justice to the New Hampshire Department of Corrections in an amount not to exceed $104,601 through March 31, 2026. The Department of Justice requests authorization to

extend the end date of this existing subgrant, from March 31, 2026, to September 30, 2026. This will allow the New Hampshire Department of Corrections to utilize the original award amount for the original purpose of continued support and advocacy for victims of crime and to provide services such as victim offender dialogue for the entire State Fiscal Year (SFY) 26.

Additionally, the Department of Justice requests authorization to increase the award amount to the New Hampshire Department of Corrections so they may allocate the $33,864 to their Victim Information and Notification Everyday (VINE) program. This will ensure the continued services of VINE for victims of crime for SFY26.

The VINE project is a twenty-four hour, seven days a week, victim notification system in multi-language and hearing-impaired platforms. Its purpose is to notify victims of changes in their perpetrator's case. This allows survivors access to timely and reliable information about detained and incarcerated offenders.

In the event that federal funds are no longer available, general funds will not be requested to support these programs.

Please let me know if you have any questions concerning this request. Your consideration is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

John M. Formella
Attorney General

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AMENDMENT TO GRANT AGREEMENT

This AMENDMENT TO GRANT AGREEMENT (the "Amendment") is entered into and effective as of the Effective Date (defined below) by and between as of the NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ("State") and NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS ("Subrecipient"). State and Subrecipient are sometimes referred to herein singularly as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties."

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Parties entered into the Grant Agreement as approved by the Governor and Executive Council of the State of New Hampshire on May 7, 2025 at Item #59 (the "Agreement"), wherein the State agreed grant, and Subrecipient agreed to accept, certain sums upon the terms and conditions set forth therein; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Paragraph 20 of the Agreement, the Parties wish to amend the terms and conditions of the Agreement as further specified herein;

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration exchanged, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby conclusively acknowledged, the Parties hereby agree to amend the Agreement as follows:

1. Amendment to Block 1.7. Remove the Grant Completion Date of 3/31/2026 as set forth in Block 1.7 of the G-1 Form Agreement and replace with Grant Completion Date of 09/30/2026.

2. Amendment to Exhibit 1.8. Remove the Grant Limitation of $104,601 as set forth in Block 1.8 of the G-1 Form Agreement and replace with the increased Grant Limitation of $138,465.

3. Amendment to Exhibit C. Remove the Grant Completion Date of 12/31/2025 as set forth in Paragraph 3(a) of Exhibit C to the Agreement and replace with 06/30/2026.

4. Amendment to Exhibit C. Remove the extension date of 03/31/2026 as set forth in Paragraph 3(b) of Exhibit C and replace with 09/30/2026 date.

5. Amendment to Exhibit C. Remove the Grant Limitation of $104,601 as set forth in Paragraph 3(a) of Exhibit C and increase the amount to $138,465

6. Effect of Amendment. Except as provided in this Amendment, the terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect for all purposes.

7. Construction. The recitals set forth at the outset of this Amendment are a part of this Amendment, as fully as if set forth in their entirety in the body hereof. The captions or headings in this Amendment are for ease of reference only, and no caption or heading shall affect

in any way the interpretation, meaning, or construction of this Amendment. Capitalized terms that are not defined within the text of this Amendment shall have the same meanings respectively ascribed to them in the Agreement.

Effective Date. The terms and conditions of this Amendment shall become effective on the date that it is approved the Governor and Executive Council of the State of New Hampshire (the "Effective Date").

Counterparts; Facsimile and Electronic Signatures. This Amendment may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same Amendment. A facsimile or portable document format (PDF) signature on this Amendment shall be equivalent to, and have the same force and effect as, an original signature. In accordance with the New Hampshire Uniform Electronic Transactions Act, RSA 294-E:1 *et seq.*, the Parties hereby agree that this Amendment may be signed electronically, including any exhibits, schedules, addenda, or other attachments referenced herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Amendment as of the date adjacent to their respective signatures set forth below.

By: _____ 9.24.2025
Authorized Representative: Date
New Hampshire Department of Corrections

By: Thomas D. Kaempfer 9/24/25
Thomas Kaempfer, Deputy Director of Administration Date
New Hampshire Department of Justice

Approved by the Attorney General (Form, Substance and Execution)

By: Christen Lavers 9/24/25
Attorney Date

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April 16, 2025

Her Excellency, Governor Kelly A. Ayotte
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, NH 03301

Your Excellency and Members of the Council:

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Justice to enter into subgrants with the subrecipients listed below, in an amount not to exceed $709,843 from the U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Victims of Crime Act Grant (VOCA) for the purpose of providing services to victims of crime, effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval or July 1, 2025, whichever is later, through March 31, 2026. 100% Federal Funds.

Funding is anticipated to be available in Fiscal Year 2026, upon the continued appropriation of funds in the future operating budget, in account 02-20-20-201510-5021, Department of Justice, Grants Administration, Victims of Crime Act, Grants, Federal as follows:

Class Account	Subrecipient	Vendor #	SFY 2026 Amount
085-588846	New Hampshire Department of Corrections	202494-B001	$104,601
072-500573	University of New Hampshire	315187-B083	$140,892
072-500575	Court Appointed Special Advocates of New Hampshire, Inc.	156690-B001	$321,924
072-500574	Coos County Attorney's Office	177270-B006	$20,250
072-500574	Belknap County Attorney's Office	177360-B004	$42,613
072-500574	Grafton County Attorney's Office	177397-B005	$79,563
Total			$709,843

EXPLANATION

VOCA was enacted by Congress in 1984 and it established the Crime Victims Fund. Fines paid by offenders of federal crimes are deposited into this Fund. Money from the Fund is then distributed to states for the benefit of victims of crime. The Department of Justice is the receiving agency for VOCA funds in New Hampshire.

The Department of Justice subgrants these funds to agencies providing direct services to victims of crime. Agencies providing services in the fields of sexual assault, domestic violence, traditionally underserved populations, and crimes against children are required to be given priority. For many years, the Department of Justice has directed VOCA funds to core providers with a focus on direct victim assistance.

The New Hampshire Department of Corrections will utilize the funds for continued support and advocacy for victims of crime and to provide services such as victim offender dialogue.

The University of New Hampshire will utilize funds for technology enhancements for USafeUS Technology. This USafeUS phone application is used statewide by institutes of higher education to provide information and resources to victims of sexual assault in New Hampshire.

Court Appointed Special Advocates of New Hampshire, Inc. provides court advocacy to victims of child abuse and neglect. The Coos County Attorney's Office, Belknap County Attorney's Office, and Grafton County Attorney's Office will utilize subgrants to fund victim advocate services.

In the event that federal funds become no longer available, general funds will not be requested to support these programs.

Please let me know if you have any questions concerning this request. Your consideration is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

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