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The Office for Victims of Crime Training and Technical Assistance Center (OVC TTAC) provides comprehensive training, technical assistance, and other support to assist the victim services field in building its collective capacity to serve crime victims.

### Training by Request

OVC's Training by Request program is an option for program leaders who wish to organize a specific training for their own region. Requesters select a topic from OVC's catalog of standard training. Upon OVC approval, OVC TTAC provides instructors, an onsite coordinator, all training materials for the instructors, and a Participant Manual for each participant at no cost to requesters or to participants. www.ovcttac.gov/TBR

# Customized Training and Technical Assistance

All training and technical assistance offerings are designed to help build capacity and improve the quality of services provided to crime victims. Customized training and technical assistance topic options include human trafficking, compassion fatigue, and sexual assault nurse examiner (SANE) training. Organizations may apply for customized training and technical assistance tailored to their specific needs to support their own training and technical assistance event

www.ovcttac.gov/TTA

### **National Victim Assistance Academy**

The National Victim Assistance Academy (NVAA) is being redesigned to deliver premier training to the field through online learning. For professionals who assist victims and survivors of crime, the NVAA offers a variety of opportunities in professional skill-building and leadership training. CEUs are offered for full participation and completion of all NVAA requirements.

www.ovcttac.gov/NVAA

#### **Online Training**

Online training provides victim service providers and allied professionals user-friendly e-learning tools to acquire the knowledge and skills they need to more effectively serve victims of crime. Online training is available for busy professionals to take anytime and at their own pace.

- **Victim Assistance Training Online** basic victim assistance training program with information on specific victim populations.

  www.ovcttac.gov/VATOnline
- Identity Theft Victim Assistance Online Training

   support for victims' financial and emotional recovery. www.ovcttac.gov/ldentityTheft
- Webinars brief informative sessions on a variety of timely topics. www.ovcttac.gov/Webinars

Additional topics—e.g., providing assistance to victims of sexual assault in the military and legal assistance for elderly crime victims—are under development and will be available for future online training.

# Legal Assistance for Crime Victims: An OVC Capacity Building Initiative

The Legal Assistance for Crime Victims initiative is a comprehensive capacity-building effort to expand the availability of pro bono/no-cost legal assistance for victims of crime. The initiative aims to ensure that all victims of crime have access to quality representation on myriad legal issues that can arise following victimization. This effort requires that training and technical assistance are available and accessible for attorneys, especially those currently providing legal assistance to victims.

www.ovcttac.gov/LegalAssistance

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# Victims' Rights and Other Online Resources

- **VictimLaw** is a comprehensive, user-friendly database of victims' rights statutes, tribal laws, constitutional amendments, court rules, administrative code provisions, and case summaries of related court decisions that are useful to attorneys, victim service providers, victims, and the general public.

  \*\*www.victimlaw.info\*\*
- The Anti-Human Trafficking Task Force Strategy and Operations e-Guide provides direction for the formation and development of anti-human trafficking task forces; creative strategies, examples, and lessons learned from existing task forces; and links to valued tools, training, and resources. www.ovcttac.gov/TaskForceGuide
- The Directory of Training and Technical Assistance Resources for Anti-Human Trafficking Task Forces and Service Providers provides a comprehensive list of anti-human trafficking distance learning events, in-person training, and Training by Request opportunities.

  www.ovcttac.gov/TTADirectory

#### **Instructor Materials**

OVC TTAC's Web site has downloadable training materials that instructors need to conduct effective training for victim advocates and allied professionals in their own communities. Examples include:

- Sexual Assault Advocate/Counselor Training teaches advocates how to provide competent, effective crisis intervention services to victims and survivors of sexual assault. www.ovcttac.gov/SAACT
- Supporting Crime Victims With Disabilities uses case studies and small group discussions to identify ways that organizations and systems can work together to better serve crime victims with disabilities. Available in English and Spanish. www.ovcttac.gov/DisabilitiesEnglish www.ovcttac.gov/DisabilitiesSpanish

- Ethics in Victim Services provides information and skills related to ethical standards in victim services and ethical decisionmaking.

  www.ovcttac.gov/Ethics
- Victim Impact: Listen and Learn helps make offenders more aware of the impact that crime has on victims and begin to make amends.

  www.ovcttac.gov/VictimImpact

### **Scholarships**

Scholarships are available for victim service professionals (including crime victims who volunteer or work in victim assistance programs) to attend training events and conferences that will enhance their ability to work with victims of crime. The program provides up to \$1,000 for individuals and up to \$5,000 for multidisciplinary teams of victim service professionals seeking continuing education opportunities. www.ovcttac.gov/PDS

#### **Consultant Network**

OVC TTAC is always looking for highly skilled professionals who are effective educators of adults and able to share their expertise with service providers. A strong and diverse consultant network is critical to OVC TTAC's success in managing training and technical assistance resources designated to support OVC programs, projects, and capacity-building activities. www.ovcttac.gov/BecomeConsultant

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