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Office of Justice Programs

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# GRANT AWARD NOTICE

## IMPORTANT

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**SUBJECT:**

Grants to State Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Coalitions Program

**Department of Justice****Office on Violence Against Women**

## Outreach and Communications Division

*Washington, D.C. 20531***GRANT NOTIFICATION**

Grant Number: 2015-MU-AX-0016

Name & Address of Recipient: South Carolina Coalition Against Domestic Violence And Sexual Assault  
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## Recipient Project Director/Contact:

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Title of Program: Grants to State Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Coalitions Program

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Amount of Award: \$ 213,978

Date of Award: 09/24/2015

Awarding Agency: Office on Violence Against Women  
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Supplement: No

## Statutory Authority for Program:

42 U.S.C. 3796gg-1 and 42 U.S.C. 14043g(d)(1) (OVW - State Coalitions)

Impact/Focus: State

CFDA Number: 16.556

## Project Description:

The Grants to Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Coalitions Program was authorized by the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) of 2000 and reauthorized and amended by subsequent legislation. Statewide coalitions provide support to member rape crisis centers and domestic violence shelters through funding, training and technical assistance, and public awareness. In some states and territories, these support services are provided through a single dual sexual assault and domestic violence coalition. In other states, both state sexual assault and domestic violence coalitions exist as separate organizations. State coalitions have played a critical role in advancing the goals of VAWA, serving as a collective voice to end violence against women through collaboration with federal, state, and local organizations. Such activities include, but are not limited to: providing technical assistance to member agencies; expanding technological capacity for member agencies or the coalition itself; developing or enhancing appropriate standards of services for member programs; conducting statewide, regional and/or community-based meetings or workshops; bringing local programs together to identify gaps in services and to coordinate activities; increasing the representation of underserved populations in coordination activities; engaging in activities that promote coalition building at the local and/or state level; and coordinating federal, state and/or local law enforcement agencies to develop or enhance strategies to address identified problems. Each state and territorial domestic violence and sexual assault coalition receives an equal share of funding under this program. Dual domestic and sexual violence coalitions receive both shares for their state. The specific goals of this program are to support state coalition efforts to coordinate victim services within their state as well as collaborate with other federal, state, and local entities to respond to violence against women issues affecting their jurisdictions.

The Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP) was created by the Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005 (VAWA 2005), 42 U.S.C. §14043g, and includes funding for state sexual assault coalitions. Each state and territorial sexual

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assault coalition receives an equal amount of the coalition funds under this program. Goals of the SASP Coalitions program are to (A) work with local sexual assault programs and other providers of direct services to encourage appropriate responses to sexual assault within the State or territory; (B) work with judicial and law enforcement agencies to encourage appropriate responses to sexual assault cases; (C) work with courts, child protective services agencies, and children's advocates to develop appropriate responses to child custody and visitation issues when sexual assault has been determined to be a factor; (D) design and conduct public education campaigns; (E) plan and monitor the distribution of grants and grant funds to their state or territory; or (F) collaborate with and inform federal, state, or local public officials and agencies to develop and implement policies to reduce or eliminate sexual assault. The timing for performance of this award is 12 months. NC/NCF

For more information about this grant, contact the Office on Violence Against Women at 202/307-6026 and ask for the Outreach and Communications Division.