

Victim Services and Community Violence Intervention

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Victim Services

Victim Services Overview

- **Support Victim Service Organizations**

- Administer funding that supports 220 organizations, providing critical services to crime victims across the state of Michigan.

- **Provide Direct Services to Crime Victims**

- Crime victim compensation, direct payments to crime victims.
- MI-VINE, a confidential 24-hour web-based service that provides timely access/notification of offender data for crime victims, families and members of the public.

- **Contribute to Mass Violence Response**

- Oxford community.
- Michigan State University.

- **Enhance Training and Technical Assistance**

- Across MDHHS, state government, and other organizations that address domestic violence, sexual assault and human trafficking.

- **Partner with Boards and Commissions**

- MI Domestic Sexual Violence Prevention and Treatment Board.
- Crime Victim Services Commission.
- Human Trafficking Health Advisory Board.
- Sexual Assault Evidence Kit Tracking and Reporting Commission.

Funds Administered to Grantees and Victims

Major Fund Sources

• Federal Funds

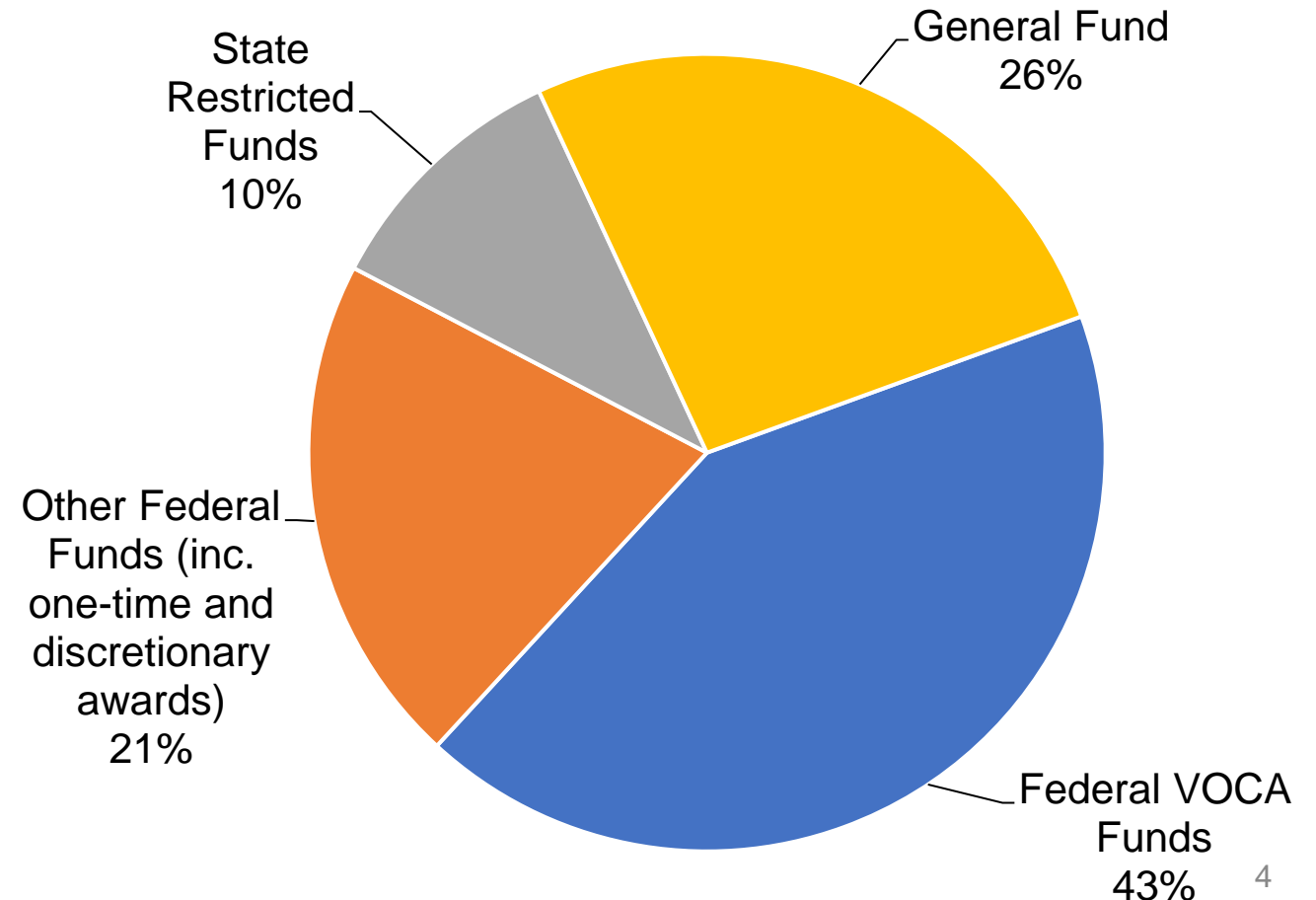
- Victims of Crime Act (VOCA).
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).
- Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA).
- Services, Training, Officers, Prosecutors (STOP).
- Various one-time funds and discretionary grants.

• State Restricted Funds

- Michigan Crime Victim Rights Fund.
- Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Fund (SANE) Fund.
- Child Advocacy Centers (CAC) Fund.
- Compulsive Gaming Prevention Fund.

• General Fund

FY 2024 Estimated Funds Available to Grantees and Victims - \$127.3 Million



Reach of Funding



104 Victim Service Community Organizations

- Child Advocacy Centers.
- Domestic Violence Services and Shelter.
- Rape Crisis Centers.
- Sexual Assault Forensic Examination Programs.
- Human Trafficking Response.
- Legal Services.
- Elder Abuse Response.
- Culturally-Specific Victim Service Providers.



82 Prosecutors and the Attorney General

- Crime Victim Rights Services.
- Prosecution Grants.



9 Federally Recognized Tribes



8 Training & Technical Assistance Providers



7 Law Enforcement Agencies



6 Hospitals



1 Court



4 Universities and Schools

FY 2023 Impact of Funding



217,286

individuals received services.



69,883

crisis calls.



261,021

nights of emergency housing.



852,301

victim notifications through MI-VINE.



11,406

child forensic interviews.



242,963

nights of transitional housing.

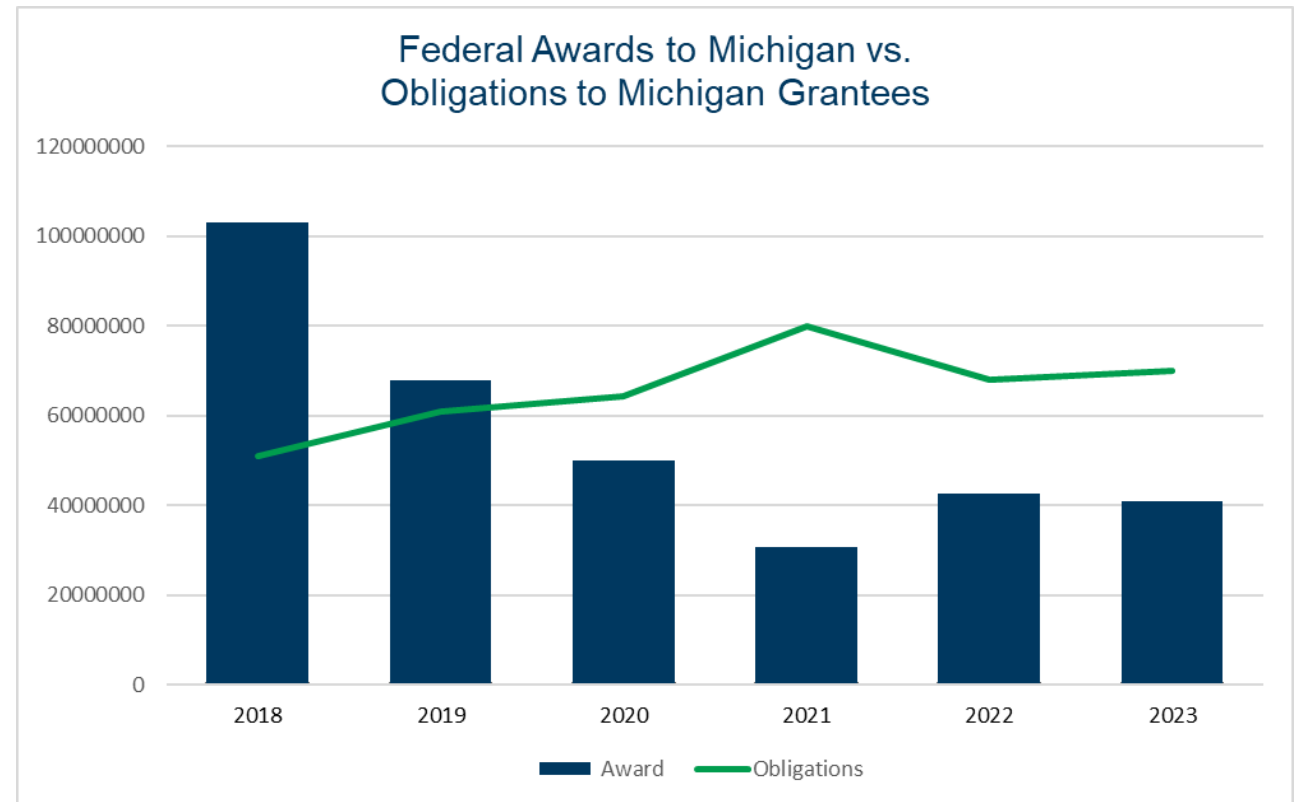


2,184

sexual assault medical forensic examinations.

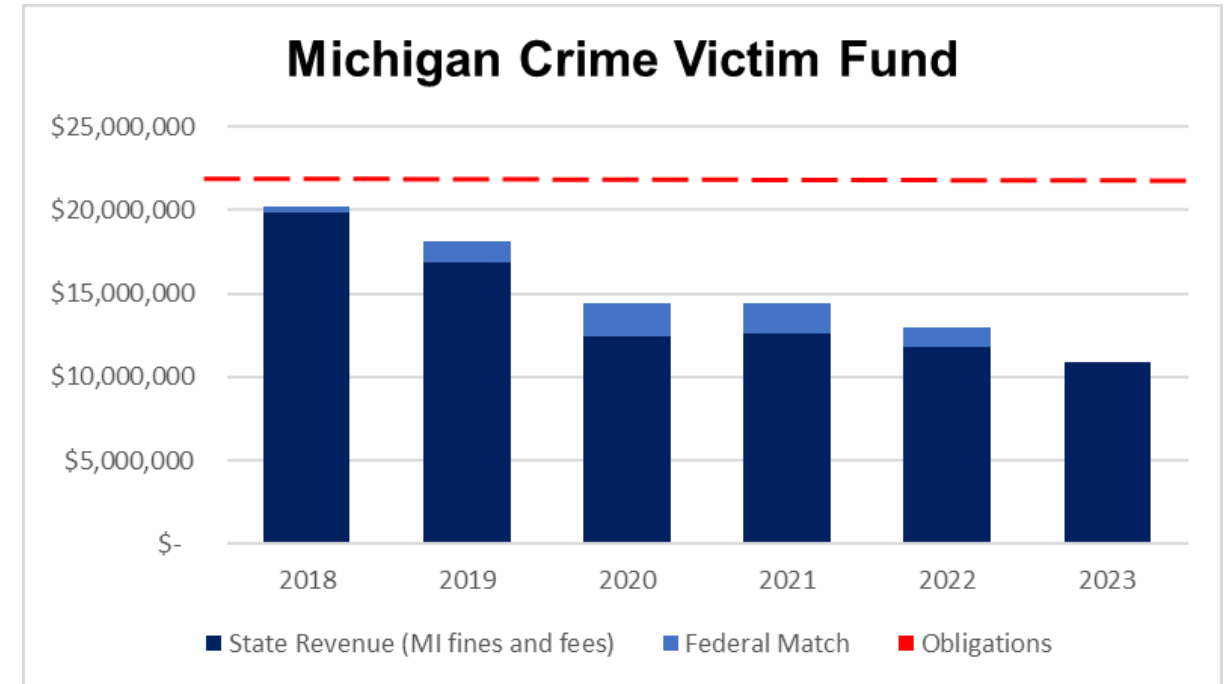
Federal Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Formula Funding

- Funds are provided to more than 110 local organizations to support services to crime victims.
- Federal awards have declined over the years.
- Annual obligations:
 - Prior to FY 2024, funding levels to grantees were maintained with annual VOCA awards and carryforward balances from previous years.
 - Starting in FY 2024, General Fund is supplementing federal VOCA funds to maintain services to grantees.
- MDHHS actively monitors federal funding levels.



Michigan Crime Victim Rights Fund (M CVRF)

- Revenue is derived from post-conviction fines and fees (MCL 780.901).
- MCVRF supports approximately \$22 million in annual obligations.
 - Constitutionally-required Crime Victims' Rights Services (victim rights advocates in 82 prosecutor's offices), serving over 81,000 victims in FY 2023.
 - Crime victim compensation claims increased 55%, while payouts increased 37% in the first quarter of FY 2024.
- General Fund (GF) is supplementing the MCVRF in FY 2024 to maintain grants and services.



Crime Victim Rights Sustaining Grants



- The FY 2024 enacted budget provides \$30 million ongoing (GF) for the following purposes:
 - Offset declines in federal VOCA funding, supporting more than 110 organizations.
 - Offset declines to the MCVRF, supporting crime victim rights programming at 82 prosecutors' offices and direct payments to crime victims through Crime Victim Compensation.
 - Provide \$102,600 for a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner program at McLaren Central Michigan Hospital.
 - Provide \$4 million in one-time funding for the Trauma Recovery Center (TRC) three-year pilot program at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit.
- The FY 2025 Executive Budget maintains \$30 million ongoing (GF) for grants.

Sexual Assault Victims Services



Description

- Maintain current services to sexual assault survivors.
- Services include sexual assault medical forensic examination services and comprehensive services, such as crisis support, advocacy, counseling and support groups.
- MDHHS currently provides support to 16 SANE programs and 36 sexual assault service providers.

Outcomes

- Improve health outcomes for sexual assault survivors.
- Increase criminal prosecutions.

Need for Investment

- Declining revenue to the SANE fund from post-conviction fines and fees deposited in the Michigan's Justice Systems Fund.
- Expiration of prior one-time GF investments for comprehensive sexual assault services that supported \$1 million in annual obligations.

Proposed Investment

- \$1 million GF to offset declining revenue to the SANE Fund.
- \$1 million GF to offset loss of previous one-time funds.

A low-angle, top-down photograph of a diverse group of people holding hands in a circle. The background is a clear, light blue sky. The hands are of various skin tones and are clasped together in a supportive gesture. The overall mood is one of unity and community.

Community Violence Intervention

Community Violence Intervention

- Community Violence Intervention (CVI) supports local organizations and leaders to prevent violence and reduce adverse outcomes in their local communities.
- Fiscal Years 2023 and 2024 funding:
 - \$5 million for grants.
 - \$800,000 for Community Violence Intervention Office.

Community Violence Intervention Advisory Council

- Formed in November 2023.
- Includes local experts from local community violence intervention programs, academia, law enforcement, city government, community-based organizations and people with lived experience.
- Purpose:
 - Participate in the development of the CVI Office and state CVI strategic priorities.
 - Assist MDHHS in connecting with additional partners and sectors doing this work.
 - Provide feedback on CVI Office initiatives.
- Next steps:
 - Develop CVI strategic priorities by this spring.

CVI Grant Expansion

- \$2.5 million was used to strengthen existing programs, including expanded specialized case management, workforce development, increased street outreach and engagement, mentorship, geographic data mapping and transformational healing for people at the center of violence.
- Support provided to existing programs in Wayne County.
 - Wayne County had the highest homicide crude death rate in Michigan in 2020 (19.3 deaths per 100,000 people).
 - Within this group, African Americans had the highest death rate by race (41.8). The highest death rates by age were 20-29.
 - Wayne County has higher rates of poverty, lack of access to transportation, and crowded housing.

CVI Request for Proposal Process

- Released Request for Proposal for \$7 million in September 2023.
- 28 applications were received totaling \$26 million.
- Applications were scored based on various criteria including the following.
 - Experience in implementing evidence-based CVI strategies in the community.
 - Letters of support from community partners.
 - Strong understanding of population needs.

CVI Grants Awarded

- The following grants were awarded in December 2023 totaling over \$7 million:
 - Black Caucus Foundation of Michigan: \$1 million.
 - Gryphon Place: \$1 million.
 - Michigan Public Health Institute: \$1 million.
 - Wayne Metro Community Action Agency: \$1 million.
 - Oakland Community Health Network: \$999,910.
 - Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office: \$999,440.
 - Detroit Hispanic Development Corporation: \$900,000.
 - Migrant Legal Aid: \$200,080.

Community Violence Intervention



Description

- No one should live in fear of violence.
- In Michigan, firearm mortality increased from 12.1 deaths per 100,000 people in 2019 to 15.4 deaths per 100,000 people in 2021.
- In 2022, 1,494 people died in Michigan from intentional self-harm and, of those deaths, 839 used a firearm.
- In a 2021 survey, 3% of Michigan high school students shared that they carried a weapon, such as a gun, knife, or club at least one day during the 30 days before the survey.

Proposed Investment

- \$5 million one-time federal American Rescue Plan Act State Fiscal Recovery Fund to support community violence intervention grants in FY 2025.
- \$500,000 ongoing GF to continue to expand the efforts of the CVI Office.

Outcomes

- Increase partnerships to address violence.
- Support local community efforts.
- Foster safer communities and reduce crime.

Questions & Discussion

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A photograph of children waving from the windows of a yellow school bus. The image has a blue color overlay. The text "Thank you!" is centered over the image.

Thank you!