



FY24 OVW Abuse in Later Life Grantees

Welcome, Introductions and Overview

Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) and
National Clearinghouse on Abuse in Later Life (NCALL)



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Housekeeping

- Rename yourself to include: Name and Community
- Please mute yourself unless speaking to reduce background noise.
- Questions/comments can be added to the chat or please use the raise hand feature if you would like to be unmuted.
- If you have technology issues, contact Martie Washington via private chat.



Welcome and Introductions

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Community Roll Call

Continuation Grantees

- AZ Dept. Economic Security (AZ)
- County of Contra Costa (CA)
- County of Boulder (CO)
- Associated: Jewish Community Federation of Baltimore Inc. (MD)

New Grantees

- County of Alamance (NC)
- County of Macomb (MI)
- CRIS Healthy Aging (IL)
- Hope Justice Project (ME)
- Retreat, Inc. (NY)
- St Croix County (WI)
- Center for Domestic Peace (CA)
- Center for Excellence in Aging/Geriatric Health (VA)

Key Topics

- Overview of the Abuse in Later Life Program
- NCALL's Role as the Technical Assistance Provider
- OVW's Role



Why Address Abuse in Later Life?

Abuse in Later Life Defined

“The term ‘abuse in later life’ means (i) neglect, abandonment, economic abuse, or willful harm of an adult aged 50 or older by an individual in an ongoing relationship of trust with the victim; or (ii) domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking of an adult aged 50 or older by any individual; and does not include self-neglect. ”

Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Reauthorization Act of 2021

What Is Abuse in Later Life?



Abuse in Later Life is the nexus between domestic violence, sexual violence, and elder abuse.

National Clearinghouse on Abuse in Later Life, An Overview of Abuse in Later Life.

America is Aging



11,200 Americans turn
65 every day.

Fichtner, J. (2024)

In 2022, 31.9 million
women and 25.9 million
men were 65 and older.

2023 Profile of Older Americans, AoA, U.S.
Dept. of Health and Human Services

Elder Abuse in The Community



1 in 10 community-residing older adults reported experiencing elder abuse in the past year.

Acierno et al. (2010).

Elder Abuse: Under the Radar

For every **1** case of
elder abuse that
comes to the
attention of a
responsible entity...

... another **24** cases never
come to light.

Source: NYS Elder Abuse Prevalence Study; Weill Cornell Medical College, NYC Department for the Aging; Lifespan; (2011).
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Elder Abuse Victims



About 2/3 of elder abuse victims are women.

Lifespan of Greater Rochester, Inc., Weill Cornell Medical Center of Cornell University, & New York City Department for the Aging. (2011).

Impact of Abuse on Older Adults



Older adults who experienced abuse, even modest abuse, had a 300% higher risk of death when compared to those who had not been abused.

Dong X, Simon M, Mendes de Leon C, Fulmer T, Beck T, Hebert L, et al. (2009)

Addressing this Complex Issue

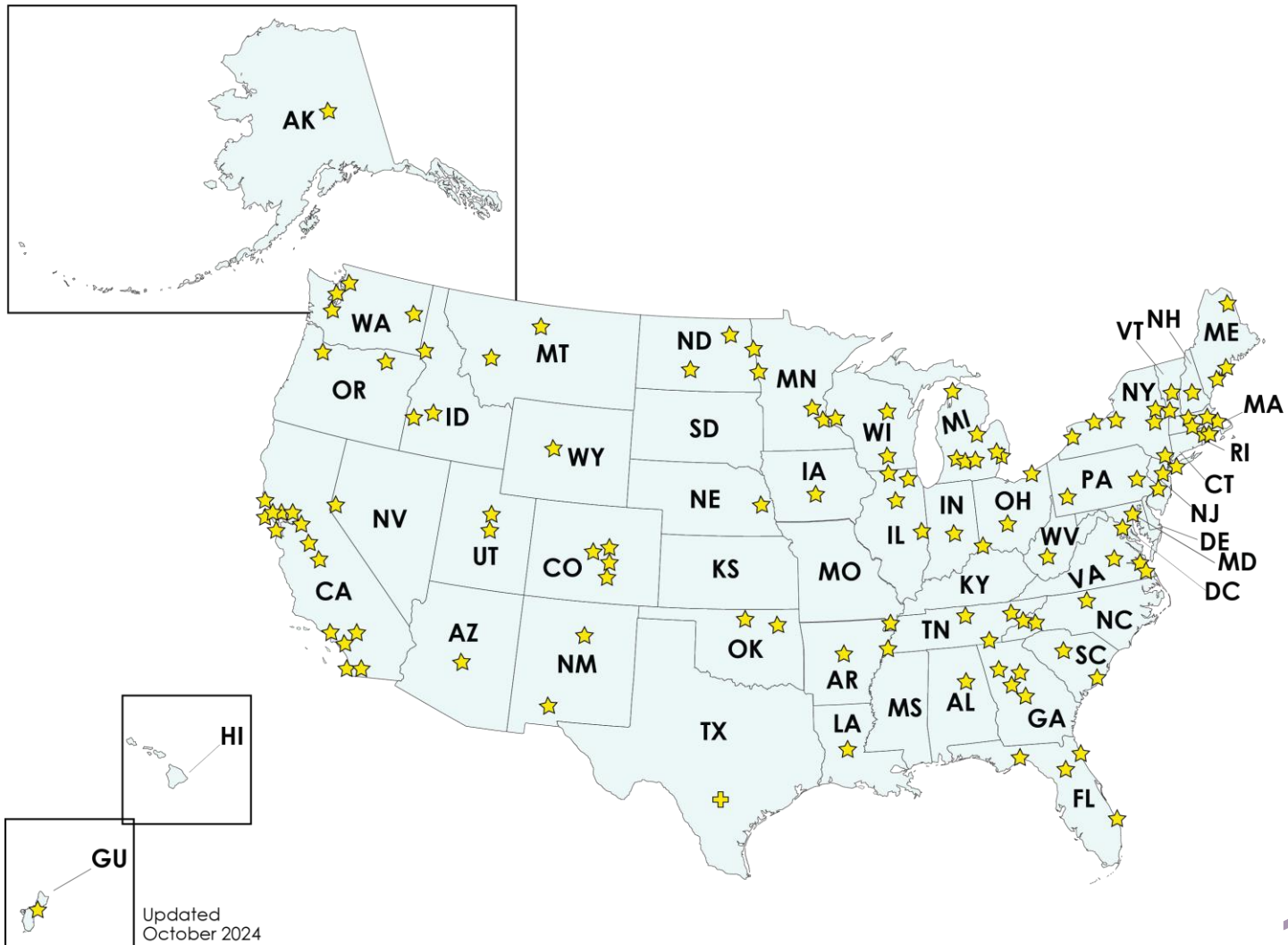


Multidisciplinary responses are key to addressing the complexity of abuse in later life.



OVW Abuse in Later Life Program

OVW Abuse in Later Life Grantees, 2006-2024



Required MOU Partners

- Law enforcement agency
- Prosecutors' office
- Organization serving older adults
- Domestic violence/sexual assault victim services

- Grantees who received \$50,000 to improve support for survivors from an underserved community have an MOU partner who represents that underserved population.

Purpose Areas



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Victim Services

- New or Enhanced Victim Services, such as:
 - 24-hour phone helpline
 - Case management
 - Counseling for older victims
 - Support groups
- Outreach

Purpose Areas

Training

- Direct Training for Criminal Justice Professionals, as outlined in your Special Conditions:
 - Law Enforcement
 - Prosecutors
 - Judges

Optional Purpose Area

Training

*Optional:

- Civil attorneys
- Faith leaders and communities
- Health care providers

*OVW technical assistance provider holds webinars on these topics.

Purpose Areas

Cross Training

Cross-Training for Victim Services Providers,
as outlined in your Special Conditions.

Purpose Areas

Coordinated Community Response

- Strengthen and Enhance a Coordinated Community Response (CCR) to Abuse in Later Life
- Regular and ongoing CCR Meetings
- Systems Change

Systems Change



You Can Make a Difference!



- Increased knowledge and expertise
- Increased collaboration between agencies
- Enhanced victim safety and offender accountability
- Enhanced system change coordinated community response

The Role of NCALL ⁽¹⁾

- Provide technical assistance to OVW Grantees and Abuse in Later Life Project partners
- Organize meetings and trainings, e.g., Grantee Orientation, Training of Trainers events (TOTs)

The Role of NCALL ⁽²⁾

- Assist with the creation and evaluation of training materials and tools for grantees
- Facilitate communication between and among grantees through virtual meetings, listserv, and NCALL website

NCALL Team



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The Role of OVW ⁽¹⁾

- All matters related to the administration of your grant, including:
 - Questions about the use of grant funds
 - Review and approval of project products, including training materials and other materials
 - Any materials that you need permission to produce using OVW funds must be provided to your Program Specialist for review at least **45 days** prior to when you would need the revisions

The Role of OVW ⁽²⁾

- Conference Request and Report Form: submit for review at least **90 days** prior to event date
- Substantive questions about progress reports
- Proposed changes - Grant Award Modifications (GAM)
 - Request for extensions
 - Proposed budget modifications
 - Addition, removal or change of project partners who are signatories of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

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Next Steps

New Grantee Orientation - Mark Your Calendars

January 14-16, 2025

New Orleans, Louisiana

Required Attendees:

- One representative from each MOU partner and Project Coordinator (or Point of Contact)
 - Grantees who received \$50K to improve support for survivors from an underserved community should also bring their MOU partner who represents that underserved population
- Representatives should have decision-making authority at their organizations

Details coming soon

Next Steps Webinar for Project Coordinators

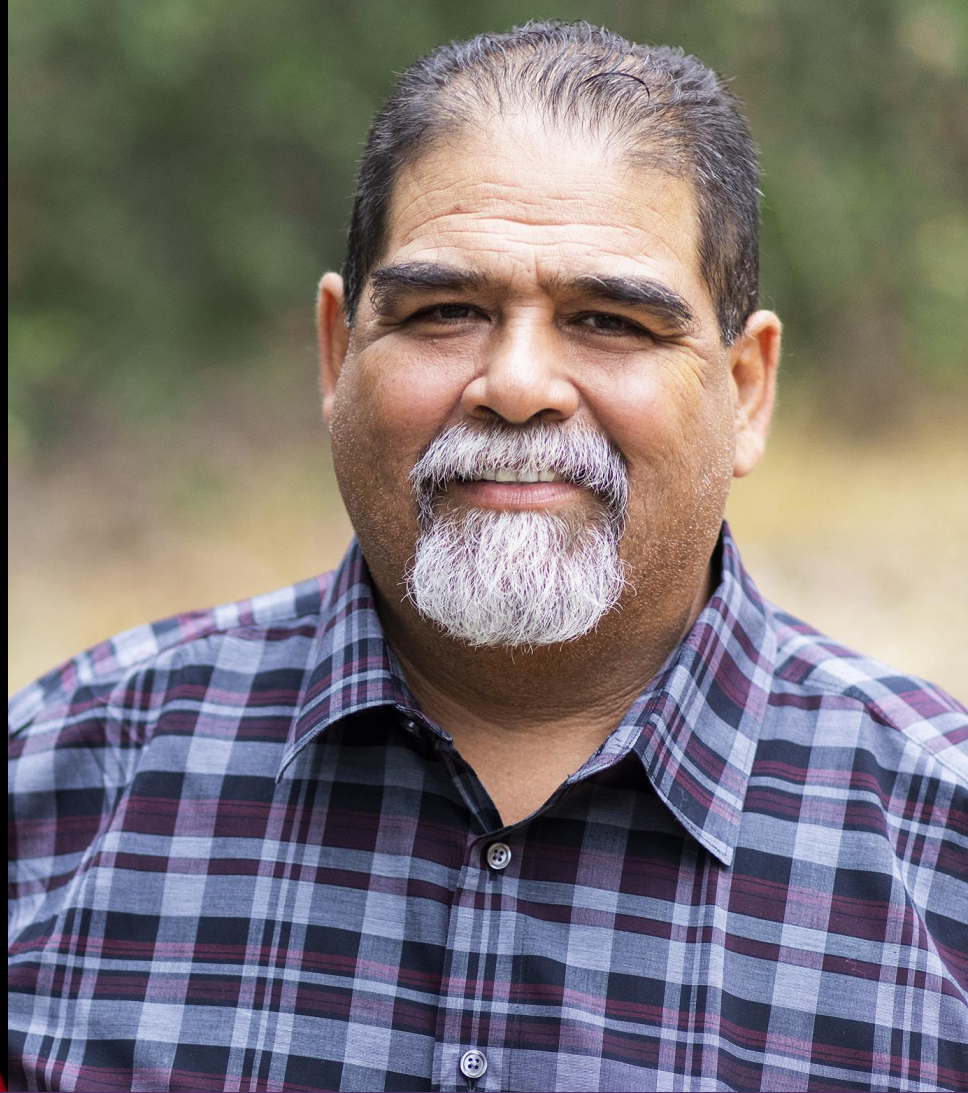
When: Wednesday, October 30, 2025 at
11am PT| 12pm MT| 1pm CT| 2pm ET

Required Attendees

- Project Coordinator and/or Point of Contact

What it Covers

- Initial Steps for Your Project
- New Grantee Orientation



Questions?