



2025 Emergency Gun Violence Summit
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Wisconsin Department of Justice

Gun Violence Survivor Recovery & Advocacy Resources

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Overview





Office of Crime Victim Services (OCVS)



OCVS Victim Services Grant Programs

**Victims of Crime
Act (VOCA)**

**Anti-Terrorism
Emergency
Assistance
Program (AEAP)**

**Violence Against
Women Act
(VAWA) STOP**

**Violence Against
Women Act
(VAWA) SASP**

**Children's
Justice Act
(CJA)**

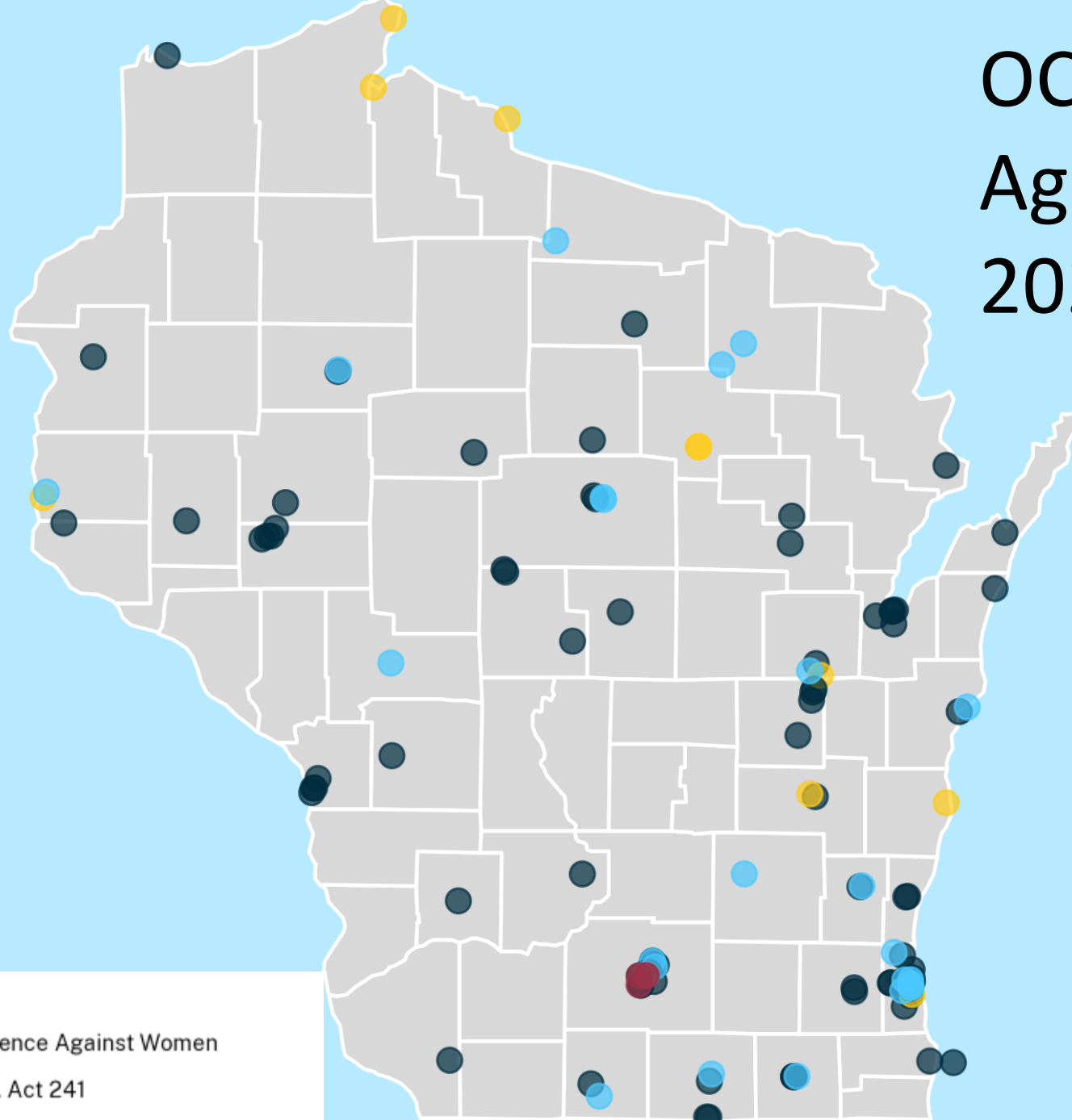
**State Child
Advocacy
Center (CAC)
Grants**

**Improving Criminal
Justice Responses
(ICJR)**

**State Victim
Services 2025-
2027**

**Sexual Assault
Victim Services
(SAVS)**

OCVS Funded Agencies in 2025



Funding Source

- Multiple Funding Sources
- Victim of Crimes Act (VOCA)
- Violence Against Women
- Wis. Act 241

Not shown: one agency located in California

Funded Agency Type and Types of Services

- Community-based victim service agencies
 - Victim/Witness services at District Attorney's Offices
 - Law Enforcement-based victim advocacy
 - Child Advocacy Centers
 - Tribal victim services programs, Native-led nonprofits
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Crisis response• Crisis intervention• Individual advocacy• Legal advocacy/Court accompaniment• Sexual assault response | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Legal services: civil, immigration, family court• Support groups• Art therapy• Individual therapy• Victims' rights advocacy• Training for prosecutors & law enforcement |
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OCVS Direct Victim Services



**Crime Victim
Compensation**



**Victim Resource
Center (VRC)**



Safe at Home

Crime Victim Compensation

Crime Victim Compensation (CVC) Program

Victims of violent crime and family or household members of deceased victims may have significant out-of-pocket expenses through no fault of their own. Crime Victim Compensation (CVC) helps pay for unreimbursed eligible expenses that result from the crime. **Due to the high volume of applications received, the intake process can take 90 - 120 days.**

There are two types of compensation:

- Crime Victims' Compensation
- Emergency Medical Care Compensation - Sexual Assault Exam
 - Sexual Assault Forensic Exam – The WI SAFE Fund can reimburse healthcare providers for the cost of a forensic medical exam for victims of sexual assault.
- Who may be eligible?
- What must I do to be eligible?

Victim Resource Center (VRC)

The VRC is staffed by professionals who assist with questions about the rights afforded to victims and witnesses of a crime as they move through the criminal justice process and what to do if a victim or witness believes a right has been violated.

- Information and referrals for crime victims
- Informational materials and training on victim rights
- Victim Appellate Notification Services (VANS) for victims
- Assistance with understanding and participating in the criminal justice process
- Receiving and addressing rights complaints

Safe at Home (SAH)

Wisconsin's Address Confidentiality Program

Safe at Home is a statewide address confidentiality program that provides victims of actual or threatened domestic abuse, child abuse, sexual abuse, stalking, and trafficking, or those who simply fear for their physical safety with a legal substitute address to be used for both public and private purposes.

Crime Victim Services on WisDOJ.gov

Click on Crime Victim Services for more information on OCVS



The screenshot displays the official website of the Wisconsin Department of Justice. At the top left is the State of Wisconsin seal and the text "State of Wisconsin Department of Justice". To the right are social media icons for X, Instagram, Facebook, YouTube, and LinkedIn. A navigation bar below the header contains links for "Public Safety", "Crime Victim Services", "Criminal Justice Services", "Legal Services", "Grants", "Data & Statistics", and "About Us". A search icon is located on the far right of the navigation bar. The main content area features a large photograph of the "RISSEY JUSTICE CENTER" building. To the right of the photo, the text reads "Welcome to the Wisconsin Department of Justice". Below this, a paragraph describes the DOJ's mission and duties. A bulleted list follows, detailing six key responsibilities: providing legal advice, investigating crimes, providing technical assistance, assisting victims, providing forensic analysis, and promoting safe school environments.

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Welcome to the
Wisconsin Department of Justice

The Wisconsin Department of Justice (DOJ) is led by the attorney general, a constitutional officer who is elected by partisan ballot to a four-year term. Public safety is the core of DOJ's mission. The main duties include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Providing legal advice and representation for the State of Wisconsin
- Investigating crimes that are statewide in nature, importance, or influence
- Providing technical assistance and training to law enforcement officers and prosecutors
- Assisting victims of crime in exercising their rights and accessing services
- Providing forensic analysis of evidence in criminal cases
- Promoting safe school environments



Thank You!