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Governor Laura Kelly Announces Grant Awards to Support Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault Survivors

TOPEKA – Governor Laura Kelly today announced more than \$2 million in grants have been awarded to continue improving the response to victims and survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, rape, and stalking.

The Federal Services, Training, Officers, and Prosecutors Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program (S.T.O.P. VAWA) supports communities in their efforts to develop and strengthen effective responses to sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking.

"We have a responsibility to do all we can to protect victims and survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault," **Governor Kelly said.** "These grants will strengthen our services and provide support to those who need it most."

Specifically, the funds enable local communities to enhance law enforcement and prosecution strategies to combat violent crimes against women; increase and improve services provided to victims of intimate partner related violent crimes; and promote a coordinated community response to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, rape, and stalking.

The Federal Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP) funding is dedicated to the provision of direct intervention and related assistance for victims of sexual assault and their families. These funds support sexual assault and rape crisis centers providing services to victims and survivors.

Funds are made available through the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women.

2021 S.T.O.P. VAWA Grant Awards		
County	Organization Name	Grant Award
Barton	Family Crisis Center	\$45,245
Douglas	Douglas County District Attorney's Office	\$65,624
Douglas	The Sexual Trauma and Abuse Care Center	\$47,218
Douglas	The Willow Domestic Violence Center	\$59,453
Ellis	Northwest Kansas Community Corrections	\$35,000
Ellis	Options: Domestic and Sexual Violence Services	\$16,575
Ford	Ford County Attorney's Office	\$45,273
Geary	Crisis Center, Junction City Domestic Violence Task Force	\$59,411
Harvey	City of Newton Municipal Court	\$38,290
Harvey	Harvey Co. Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault Task Force	\$57,224
Harvey	Newton Police Department	\$67,063
Jackson	Jackson County Sheriff's Office	\$52,090
Johnson	10th Judicial District Court	\$59,571
Johnson	Gardner Police Department	\$64,336
Johnson	Safehome	\$44,371
Lyon	SOS	\$27,251
Montgomery	Coffeyville Police Department	\$494
Riley	Crisis Center, Riley Co. Domestic Violence Task Force	\$52,294
Sedgwick	Catholic Charities, Harbor House	\$44,733
Sedgwick	City of Wichita Police Department	\$56,741
Sedgwick	Wichita Area Sexual Assault Center	\$112,691
Shawnee	Kansas Bureau of Investigation	\$2,190
Shawnee	Kansas Coalition Against Sexual & Domestic Violence	\$67,121
Shawnee	Kansas Department of Corrections	\$66,274
Shawnee	Kansas Judicial Branch	\$145,920
Wyandotte	Friends of Yates	\$41,721
Wyandotte	Unified Government Legal Department	\$75,829
Wyandotte	Unified Government District Attorney's Office	\$136,514
	TOTAL	\$1,586,517

2021 SASP Grant Awards		
County	Organization Name	Grant Award
Douglas	The Sexual Trauma and Abuse Care Center	\$84,928
Finney	Family Crisis Services	\$21,085
Harvey	Harvey Co. Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault Task Force	\$54,124
Lyon	SOS	\$23,001
Sedgwick	Wichita Area Sexual Assault Center	\$102,547
Shawnee	YWCA Center for Safety & Empowerment	\$60,190
Wyandotte	Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault	\$129,740
	TOTAL	\$475,615