

SERVING VICTIMS BY SUPPORTING LAW ENFORCEMENT



NATIONAL VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CONSORTIUM

A Resource for Our Nation's Law Enforcement

The National Violence Against Women Law Enforcement Training and Technical Assistance Consortium (LETTAC) serves as the single connection point for all Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) law enforcement grantees and the field (including prosecutors, civilian staff, and campus police) to request training and field-based support to best respond to, investigate, and prosecute cases of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. LETTAC advances criminal justice solutions that are trauma-informed and victim-centered; aids in the successful prosecution of these crimes; prioritizes offender accountability; and supports victim healing, safety, and justice. This driving goal is captured in the LETTAC tagline: serving victims by supporting law enforcement.

LETTAC STRUCTURE AND DESIGN: INNOVATIVE AND PROGRESSIVE

LETTAC is transforming the way that training and field-based support on Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)- and intimate partner violence (IPV)-related crimes is delivered by combining funds from several OVW grant programs into one force-multiplying Consortium: LETTAC. This smart government approach maximizes resources, minimizes duplication, and enhances collaboration.

LETTAC is designed to support the full range of law enforcement training and field-based support, as well as the needs of current and potential OVW grantees. This comprehensive capability will be facilitated through the LETTAC Resource Center, composed of two main components:

- A training and support request portal.
- The LETTAC Clearinghouse, which enables users to create, save, and share unique toolkits to address priorities and interests.

LETTAC PRINCIPLES

Prioritizing law enforcement

Ensuring efficiency and agility

Sharing solutions, serving victims



Supporting all law enforcement, including those in areas that experience challenges in leveraging resources (such as tribal communities and rural jurisdictions).

Developing resources for broadscale usability for all levels of technology expertise and independent of special equipment. Maximizing U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) and OVW investments by leveraging existing resources, talents, and technologies.

Responding to priorities, including DOJ's commitment to enhance law enforcement responses to and investigations of VAWA crimes, promote officer safety and positive policing practices, strategize enforcement priorities, and capture metrics and measures.

Developing a consistent training and field-based support process for all requestors.

Spotlighting grantees and innovative evidence-based projects to promote promising practices to leverage and replicate.

Documenting success stories to share real-world stories of hope from the field, capture qualitative measures, and build peer connections and the LETTAC community of practice.

Keeping LETTAC's guiding
North Star at the forefront: serving
victims by supporting
law enforcement.



LETTAC EXPERTS = LETTAC STRENGTH

Because of the Consortium—the cadre of leaders, experts, and innovators seasoned in addressing VAWA and IPV challenges and priorities—LETTAC truly is a one-stop, by-the-field/for-the-field resource. LETTAC was shaped by and continues to evolve thanks to the generous contributions of time and talents from the cadre of SMEs across the nation.

The LETTAC SMEs constitute a deep bench of training and field-based support providers poised to guide and support all law enforcement practitioners involved in addressing VAWA and IPV-related crime (including prosecutors, line officers, civilian staff, campus police, and call center personnel) and all jurisdictions and localities served. At the core of the Consortium's responses to training and field-based support requests, these experts are the backbone of LETTAC.

ABOUT OUR FEDERAL FUNDER: OVW

The Office on Violence Against Women (OVW), an office within the U.S. Department of Justice, provides federal leadership in developing the national capacity to reduce violence against women and administer justice for and strengthen services to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. OVW was created following the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) of 1994; VAWA was renewed in 2005, 2013, and most recently in 2022. Visit www.justice.gov/ovw for more about the Office; OVW-supported podcasts and blogs; funding information, guidelines, and resources; and links to information about the crimes of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. A listing of the OVW grant programs, designed to strengthen services to victims and hold offenders accountable, is available at www.justice.gov/ovw/grant-programs. LETTAC supported with funding from several of these programs.

IN NEED OF CUSTOM TRAINING AND SUPPORT?

SUBMIT A REQUEST THROUGH THE ONLINE PORTAL AT WWW.LETTAC.ORG/TTA.

QUESTIONS ARE WELCOMED AT CONTACT@LETTAC.ORG.

CONTACT LETTAC AT <u>CONTACT@LETTAC.ORG</u> FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

We welcome your feedback!

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