

# Male-Focused Sexual Violence Prevention Funding Opportunity

The Center for Injury and Violence Prevention (CIVP) at the Virginia Department of Health announces a funding opportunity for non-profit, male-serving organizations. This funding is available to male-serving organizations to create new primary sexual violence prevention projects for men and adolescent boys. Small grants of up to \$2,500 will be awarded. The focus of this funding is for those agencies whose main function is not sexual assault work.

## Goal

To expand and create primary sexual violence prevention projects targeting men and adolescent boys in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

## Background

In a recent phone survey, the lifetime prevalence of sexual assault in Virginia was 27.6 percent among females and 12.9 percent among males. One in four women and one in eight men have been victims of sexual assault. While most rapists are men, most men are not rapists.

## Objectives

1. To increase participation of males working to end sexual violence in Virginia communities.
2. To increase communities understanding of the dynamics of sexual violence and the role men can have in the prevention of sexual assault.

## Possible Topics

Funding will be awarded to agencies that find cost-effective, innovative ways to address sexual violence prevention while involving men. The projects may cover such topics as:

1. Acquaintance rape
2. Gender role stereotypes
3. Intersecting oppressions
4. Bystander behavior
5. Culture of rape
6. Alcohol and drug-facilitated sexual assault
7. Supporting a sexual assault survivor/victim

## Projects Ideas

- Complete an organizational or community wide survey to measure the knowledge and attitudes of the community sexual violence.
- Create and distribute male-focused sexual violence prevention media, i.e., brochures, posters . . .
- Incorporate one of these programs for use with male groups, i.e., “The Men’s Program,” “Men’s Work.”
- Plan a White Ribbon Campaign for your community.
- Send staff to the VDH regional Sexual Violence Prevention Training, September 2004
- Create a peer-centered presentation and/or performance group.
- Contract with a local rape crisis center to create/cosponsor a prevention program.

## Requirements

1. Grant amounts range from \$500-\$2,500.
2. The application must be received in the Virginia Department of Health, Center for Injury and Violence

Prevention by COB March 29, 2004. Late applications will not be accepted.

3. It is anticipated that awards will be made by April 15, 2004.
4. This is a **reimbursement** for actual costs award.
5. The application will not exceed 5 pages, plus attachments.
6. It may be submitted through the mail, hand-delivered or electronically through email.
7. Projects will be completed and invoiced by October 04, 2004.
8. A written report will be submitted to VDH by October 04, 2004 and in accordance with the mini-grant guidelines.

## Application

1. Provide a cover letter clearly identifying the agency and contact person that is requesting the mini-grant. Contact information must include: name, agency, mailing address, phone, and email. Include a brief description of the project and how it may fit with other sexual violence prevention efforts in the community (if applicable).
2. Identify the proposed project and identify which VDH objective(s) the proposal addresses.
3. Indicate the proposed strategies for implementing the project and the expected outcomes.
4. Include a plan for evaluating the proposed project.
5. Attach a budget proposal for the project, including a detailed justification for all expenses.
6. Indicate agreement to submit required year-end reports.

## Scoring of the Proposal

The proposal will be judged on

Adherence to listed project Topics and Ideas	30%
Project description(s) to reach goals and objectives (defined target audience, specific, measurable objectives)	40%
Evaluation plan	10%
Reasonableness of cost	10%
Innovation of proposal	10%

## Questions and Submission

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