

Sexual Violence Prevention on the Virginia College Campus 2004 Funding Opportunity

Goal

To expand sexual violence prevention efforts on college campuses in Virginia.

Background

According to the Sexual Victimization of College Women study in 2000, for every 1,000 women attending college, there may be 35 incidents of rape in the first seven months of an academic year.

Objectives

1. To increase participation of males working to end sexual violence on campus.
2. To increase students' understanding of the dynamics of sexual violence.

Projects

Grants will be awarded to colleges that find cost-effective, innovative ways to address sexual violence prevention on campus. 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

Sample projects may include, but are not limited to:

1. Designing, printing and delivering sexual violence prevention materials
2. Contracting with an existing sexual assault prevention program to do a training/workshop/conference
3. Creating a peer education program
4. Bringing a recognized speaker or dramatic performance to campus
5. Participating in White Ribbon Campaign
6. Implementing a media campaign

Requirements

1. Grant amounts range from \$1,000-\$3,000.
2. Only one grant application will be considered per college campus.
3. The application must be received in the Virginia Department of Health, Center for Injury and Violence Prevention by COB March 15, 2004. Late applications will not be accepted.

4. It is anticipated that awards will be made by March 31, 2004.
5. This is a reimbursement for actual costs award.
6. The application will not exceed 5 pages, plus attachments.
7. It may be submitted through the mail, hand-delivered or electronically through email.
8. Projects will be completed and invoiced by October 15, 2004.
9. A written report will be submitted to VDH by October 29, 2004 and in accordance with the mini-grant guidelines.

Application

1. Provide a cover letter clearly identifying the college and contact person that is requesting the mini-grant. Include a brief description of the project and how it will fit in with other established sexual violence prevention efforts on campus.
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

1. Inclusion of VDH mini-grant objectives and topics
2. Clarity of description and proposed strategies
3. Accountability in plan for evaluation
4. Reasonableness of cost
5. Innovation of proposal
6. Priority will be given to those campuses that current have no sexual violence program

Questions and Submission

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