

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
Funding Cycle JANUARY 1, 2022- DECEMBER 31, 2022

The Victim Assistance Law Enforcement (VALE) Board will hold its business and grant presentation meeting on **August 17, 2021** beginning at 10:00 am. The meeting will be held at the Court Annex Conference Room, 1140 North Grand Avenue, Suite #200 in MONTROSE, Colorado.

The Victim Assistance Law Enforcement Board, Seventh Judicial District, announces the availability of local VALE funds authorized by Title 24, Article 4.2, Colorado Revised Statutes.

Applications must be submitted to the VALE Board Administrator, 1140 North Grand, Suite #200, Montrose, CO 81401, by 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 10, 2021. Applications received after that time will not be eligible for funding. Applications will NOT be accepted by FAX.

ANTICIPATED AMOUNT AVAILABLE: \$252,000.00

CONTRACT/GRANT CYCLE: January 1, 2022 - December 31, 2022

ELIGIBILITY: The Board is authorized to enter into contracts for the purchase and coordination of victims and witnesses assistance services with persons or agencies which the Board deems appropriate.

PRIORITY CATEGORIES: The priority use for funding as listed in the statute is:

1.) Implementation of the rights afforded to crime victims pursuant to section 24-4.1-302.5 CRS, and 2.) The provision of the services and programs delineated in sections 24-4.1-303 CRS, 24-4.1-304 CRS, and 24-4.2-105(4) CRS, related to all crimes as defined by section 24-4.1-302(1) CRS.

The VALE Board has also established the following priorities: Programs that provide direct victim services to victims of those crimes listed in Section 24-4.1-302(1) CRS. The VALE Board may also take into consideration factors other than those stated above in making their final decisions. Board members may award money for projects not designated in the priority categories. The fact that an applicant meets eligibility requirements and applies for services within a priority category does not guarantee funding.

EVALUATION CRITERIA: The VALE Board has established criteria which it uses to evaluate grant applications. The criteria are as follows:

Tier One: Agencies' primary focus and mandate is to provide services as required by the VALE Statute AND the majority of those they serve are victims of "VRA Crimes."

Tier Two: Agencies that clearly meet at least one of the two criteria for Tier One.

Tier Three: Prevention based organizations and agencies that do not have a primary focus of assisting crime victims, but do provide some services to victims of VRA crimes.

The VALE Board may also consider as part of their evaluation criteria for funding, the number of VRA crime victims served in comparison to the amount of funds being requested.

Oral presentations may be requested by the VALE Board from grant applicants. Oral presentations will be granted to grant applicants by request.

INQUIRES: For additional information and/or application forms and instructions please contact Aimee English at (970)252-4276, or write to: Office of the District Attorney Attn: VALE Administrator, 1140 North Grand, Suite #200, Montrose, CO 81401 or a.english@co7da.org.

PLEASE NOTE: Copies of the state statutes related to these funds are available on the Colorado State Government web page (www.state.co.us click on Government, then Colorado Constitution and Statutes, then Colorado Revised Statutes C.R.S.)