

2025-2026 Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Child Advocacy Centers Grant Program

In February 2025, FACT of Virginia released the <u>Foundational State Plan for Preventing Child Sexual</u> <u>Abuse in Virginia: A Preliminary Framework for Collaboration</u>. As an extension of this plan FACT has established a grant program for Children's Advocacy Centers (CACs) to support evidence-informed and promising practices at the local level for the prevention of child sexual abuse.

A budget of \$100,000 has been made available for 10 awards of \$10,000 to be made for the support of prevention programing at CACs across Virginia.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Child Advocacy Centers, part of the Children's Advocacy Centers of Virginia membership.
- Organizations must have initial funding available to cover expenses for this project as this award will be distributed on a reimbursement basis. As such, awarded programs will be reimbursed up to \$10,000, upon completion of a brief narrative report (see questions below), invoice, and financial accounting statement of the expenses covered to FACT's Executive Director. FACT reserves the right to conduct monitoring visits with awarded sites to discuss activities and review records associated with programming supported by this grant. Scheduling of such visits will be coordinated with grantees at least 30 days prior to the visits.

Programmatic Criteria:

• Funds must be used to support prevention activities consistent with those outlined in the <u>Foundational State Plan for Preventing Child Sexual Abuse in Virginia: A Preliminary</u> <u>Framework for Collaboration</u>

Timelines:

- Applications are due by June 30, 2025.
- A response of award or denial will be provided within ten business days from receipt.
- Funds must be spent within one year of the award notice.
- All final documentation must be emailed to <u>Nicole.poulin@dss.virginia.gov</u> within 30 days

of the total award being spent. Please send one email with all the required information.

 Upon completion of the project and approval of the required documents outlined above, funds will be distributed via hard copy check issued by the Virginia Department of Treasury within 30 days of receipt of approved final documentation. *

Final Narrative Report Questions (due with final invoice and financial documentation):

- 1. What are some examples of how funds from this award were spent?
- 2. Describe the impact these funds had. What activities did this project support? What were the outcomes associated with this project?
- 3. Which of the following core components of Virginia's Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Plan were addressed through this award?
 - o Adult Accountability
 - Bystander Empowerment
 - Community Engagement
 - Cross Sector Collaboration
 - Culturally Sensitive
 - Developmentally Targeted
 - o Equity
 - Evidence-Informed
 - Positive Health Promotion
 - o Trauma-Informed
 - Victim and Perpetrator-Focused
- 4. What were the greatest challenges faced in implementing this project?
- 5. What were the greatest successes gained in the implementation of this project?

Application questions

Please respond to the following questions. Once completed, please return this document to Nicole Poulin, <u>Nicole.poulin@dss.virginia.gov</u>

Please respond to the questions below.

- 1) Name of your organization:
- 2) Name and email of the Director or Executive Director of your organization:

No

3) Is your organization a Child Advocacy Center serving as a member of the Children's Advocacy Centers of Virginia?

Yes

- 4) Please list the counties/cities your organizations serve:
- 5) Name and email of person submitting this application:
- 6) Name and email of person(s) responsible for program implementation of the project:
- 7) Please describe what CSA prevention activities these funds will be used for?

Please direct any questions to Nicole Poulin, <u>Nicole.poulin@dss.virginia.gov</u> or 804-310-1520

*FACT reserves the right to monitor sites to ensure appropriate use of funds and/or terminate the agreement if funds are not being used according to the terms outlined above