

VICTIM'S ASSISTANCE & LAW ENFORCEMENT BOARD

Nineteenth Judicial District

January 3, 2024

2024 VALE FUNDS ANNOUNCEMENT OF SCHOLARSHIP/TRAINING FUNDS REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Purpose

The 19th Judicial District VALE Board announces funding available to crime victim service providers (as well as volunteers for these agencies) and law enforcement officers serving Weld County for conference/training scholarships.

Scholarship funding available: Approximately \$10,000.00

*Contingent upon funds being available.

DUE: February 5, 2024

NOTE: Second RFP will be released in May for fall training opportunities (due on July 2, 2024).

Eligibility

- Applicants must be sponsored by agency providing VALE mandated services in Weld County OR Weld County student preparing for employment in related field.
- All scholarships must comply with Colorado Revised Statutes **§ 24-4.2-105 Allocation of moneys from fund.**
- Applicants must demonstrate that the conference/training is specifically directed toward the delivery of services to crime victims in the 19th Judicial District and for the actual cost of providing the necessary staff training directly related to the implementation of the rights afforded to crime victims.
- Up to 15% of funding may be allowed for applicants from law enforcement agencies.
- In accordance with Article 4.4 D (5), *"Grants for education of police officers shall not be approved unless direct benefits to victims or witnesses can be shown and such requests shall be a secondary funding consideration"*.
- **Scholarships are only available for in-state conferences and training programs and may not exceed state government expense rates.**

Application Requirements

- The VALE Board requests applicants submit economical requests and calculate hotel costs at

- a double occupancy room rate unless not appropriate.
- Due to fiscal constraints, agencies are requested to limit the number of scholarship applications per training and to have a back-up plan if a registered attendee is unable to attend the conference.
 - **Individuals may only request funding for the same individuals to attend one conference: the CAIA Conference, CASCI Conference, or the COVA Conference in the same calendar year.**
 - Applications for funding should be based on agency need and not supplant other funding sources.
 - To apply, please complete the **2024 TRAINING SCHOLARSHIP** application. Completed applications with an **authorized signature** must be emailed **by 3:00 pm on the due date (February 5, 2024 and July 2, 2024)** to kpatch@weldgov.com. Applications received after the deadline will not be eligible for funding. DO NOT submit an original hard copy of the application.

AWARDS

The VALE Board will make funding decisions during the February 27, 2024 and July 23, 2024 Board meetings. Applications will be reviewed in accordance with VALE Board Bylaws, Policies and Procedures (Article 4), and recipients will receive notification of funding decisions by EMAIL. The lack of available VALE funds may be the sole reason for reducing or denial of scholarship award. An accounting form will be provided with notification of scholarship and each recipient will be required to complete the accounting form within 30 days of the conference/training completion. Delays in submitting the accounting form may result in a denial during the next scholarship RFP year.

For further inquiries or to request an application, please contact Karol Patch at (970) 400-4748, kpatch@weldgov.com.