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To amend the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act to make improvements.

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Mr. CASEY (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

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## A BILL

To amend the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act to make improvements.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; REFERENCES IN ACT.**

4 (a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This Act may be cited as the  
5 “Family Violence Prevention and Services Improvement  
6 Act of 2019”.

7 (b) **REFERENCES.**—Except as otherwise specified,  
8 amendments made by this Act to a section or other provi-  
9 sion of law are amendments to such section or other provi-

1 sion of the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act  
2 (42 U.S.C. 10401 et seq.).

3 **SEC. 2. PURPOSE.**

4 Subsection (b) of section 301 (42 U.S.C. 10401) is  
5 amended to read as follows:

6 “(b) PURPOSE.—It is the purpose of this title to im-  
7 prove services and interventions and advance primary and  
8 secondary prevention of family violence, domestic violence,  
9 and dating violence by—

10 “(1) assisting States and territories in sup-  
11 porting local family violence programs to provide ac-  
12 cessible, trauma-informed, culturally relevant resi-  
13 dential and non-residential services to domestic vio-  
14 lence victims and their children and dependents;

15 “(2) strengthening the capacity of Indian  
16 Tribes to exercise their sovereign authority to re-  
17 spond to family violence committed against Indians;

18 “(3) providing for a network of technical assist-  
19 ance and training centers to support effective policy,  
20 practice, research, and cross-system collaboration to  
21 improve intervention and prevention efforts through-  
22 out the country;

23 “(4) supporting the efforts of State, territorial,  
24 and Tribal coalitions to document and address the  
25 needs of victims and their children and dependents,

1 including victims and their children and dependents  
2 who are underserved, implement effective coordi-  
3 nated community and systems responses, and pro-  
4 mote ongoing public education and community en-  
5 gagement;

6 “(5) maintaining national domestic violence  
7 hotlines, including a national Indian domestic vio-  
8 lence hotline; and

9 “(6) supporting the development and implemen-  
10 tation of evidence-informed, coalition-led, and com-  
11 munity-based primary prevention approaches and  
12 programs.”.

13 **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

14 Section 302 (42 U.S.C. 10402) is amended—

15 (1) by amending paragraph (2) to read as fol-  
16 lows:

17 “(2) **DATING PARTNER.**—The term ‘dating  
18 partner’ means any person who is or has been in a  
19 social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature  
20 with a victim, and where the existence of such a re-  
21 lationship shall be determined based on a consider-  
22 ation of—

23 “(A) the length of the relationship;

24 “(B) the type of the relationship; and

1           “(C) the frequency of interaction between  
2           the persons involved in the relationship.”;

3           (2) by striking paragraphs (3) and (4);

4           (3) by inserting after paragraph (2) the fol-  
5           lowing:

6           “(3) DIGITAL SERVICES.—The term ‘digital  
7           services’ means services, resources, information, sup-  
8           port, or referrals provided through electronic com-  
9           munications platforms and media, which may in-  
10          clude mobile phone technology, video technology,  
11          computer technology (including use of the internet),  
12          and any other emerging communications tech-  
13          nologies that are appropriate for the purposes of  
14          providing services, resources, information, support,  
15          or referrals for the benefit of victims of domestic vio-  
16          lence, dating violence, or family violence.

17          “(4) DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, DATING VIOLENCE,  
18          FAMILY VIOLENCE.—The terms ‘domestic violence’,  
19          ‘dating violence’, and ‘family violence’ mean any act,  
20          threatened act, or pattern of acts of physical or sex-  
21          ual violence, stalking, harassment, psychological  
22          abuse, economic abuse, technological abuse, or any  
23          other form of abuse, including threatening to com-  
24          mit harm against children or dependents or other  
25          members of the household of the recipient of the

1 threat for the purpose of coercion, threatening, or  
2 causing harm, directed against—

3 “(A) a dating partner or other person  
4 similarly situated to a dating partner under the  
5 laws of the jurisdiction;

6 “(B) a person who is cohabitating with or  
7 has cohabitated with the person committing  
8 such an act;

9 “(C) a current or former spouse or other  
10 person similarly situated to a spouse under the  
11 laws of the jurisdiction;

12 “(D) a person who shares a child or de-  
13 pendent in common with the person committing  
14 such an act; or

15 “(E) any other person who is protected  
16 from any such act under the domestic or family  
17 violence laws, policies, or regulations of the ju-  
18 risdiction.”;

19 (4) by amending paragraph (5) to read as fol-  
20 lows:

21 “(5) INDIAN; INDIAN TRIBE; TRIBAL ORGANIZA-  
22 TION.—The terms ‘Indian’, ‘Indian Tribe’, and  
23 ‘Tribal organization’ have the meanings given the  
24 terms ‘Indian’, ‘Indian tribe’, and ‘tribal organiza-  
25 tion’, respectively, in section 4 of the Indian Self-De-

1 termination and Education Assistance Act (25  
2 U.S.C. 5304).”;

3 (5) by—

4 (A) redesignating paragraphs (13) and  
5 (14) as paragraphs (17) and (18), respectively;

6 (B) redesignating paragraphs (8) through  
7 (12) as paragraphs (11) through (15), respec-  
8 tively; and

9 (C) redesignating paragraphs (6) and (7)  
10 as paragraphs (7) and (8), respectively;

11 (6) by inserting after paragraph (5) the fol-  
12 lowing:

13 “(6) INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.—  
14 The term ‘institution of higher education’ has the  
15 meaning given such term in section 101 of the High-  
16 er Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001).”;

17 (7) in paragraph (8), as so redesignated, by  
18 striking “42 U.S.C. 13925(a)” and inserting “34  
19 U.S.C. 12291(a)”;

20 (8) by inserting after paragraph (8) the fol-  
21 lowing:

22 “(9) POPULATION SPECIFIC SERVICES.—The  
23 term ‘population specific services’ has the meaning  
24 given such term in section 40002(a) of the Violence  
25 Against Women Act (34 U.S.C. 12291(a)).

1           “(10) RACIAL AND ETHNIC MINORITY GROUP.—  
2           The term ‘racial and ethnic minority group’ has the  
3           meaning given such term in section 1707(g) of the  
4           Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300u–6(g)).”;

5           (9) by amending paragraph (12), as so redesign-  
6           nated, to read as follows:

7           “(12) SHELTER.—The term ‘shelter’ means the  
8           provision of temporary refuge and basic necessities,  
9           in conjunction with supportive services, provided on  
10          a regular basis, in compliance with applicable State,  
11          Tribal, territorial, or local law to victims of family  
12          violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, and  
13          their children and dependents. Such law includes  
14          regulations governing the provision of safe homes  
15          and other forms of secure temporary lodging, meals,  
16          or supportive services (including providing basic ne-  
17          cessities) to victims of family violence, domestic vio-  
18          lence, or dating violence, and their children and de-  
19          pendents.”;

20          (10) in paragraph (14), as so redesignated—

21                  (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph  
22                  (C), by inserting “, designated by the Sec-  
23                  retary,” after “organization”; and

1 (B) in subparagraph (C), by striking “de-  
2 pendents” and inserting “children and depend-  
3 ents”;

4 (11) in paragraph (15), as so redesignated, by  
5 striking “dependents” each place it appears and in-  
6 serting “children and dependents”;

7 (12) by inserting after paragraph (15), as so  
8 redesignated, the following:

9 “(16) TRIBAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COALI-  
10 TION.—The term ‘Tribal domestic violence coalition’  
11 means an established nonprofit, nongovernmental  
12 Indian organization that—

13 “(A) provides education, support, and tech-  
14 nical assistance to member Indian service pro-  
15 viders in a manner that enables the member  
16 providers to establish and maintain culturally  
17 appropriate services, including shelter (includ-  
18 ing supportive services) designed to assist In-  
19 dian victims of family violence, domestic vio-  
20 lence, or dating violence and the children and  
21 dependents of such victims; and

22 “(B) is comprised of members that are  
23 representative of—

24 “(i) the member service providers de-  
25 scribed in subparagraph (A); and



1                   “(ii) the Tribal communities in which  
2                   the services are being provided.”;

3                   (13) in paragraph (17), as so redesignated—

4                   (A) by striking “tribally” and inserting  
5                   “Tribally”;

6                   (B) by striking “tribal” and inserting  
7                   “Tribal”; and

8                   (C) by striking “tribe” each place it ap-  
9                   pears and inserting “Tribe”; and

10                  (14) by striking paragraph (18), as so redesign-  
11                  ated, and inserting the following:

12                  “(18) UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS AND UN-  
13                  DERSERVED INDIVIDUALS.—The terms ‘underserved  
14                  populations’ and ‘underserved individuals’ mean vic-  
15                  tims of domestic violence, dating violence, or family  
16                  violence, and their children and dependents who face  
17                  obstacles in accessing and using State, Tribal, terri-  
18                  torial, or local domestic violence, dating violence, or  
19                  family violence services, and who may be overrepre-  
20                  sented due to historical barriers. Populations may be  
21                  underserved on the basis of, marginalized racial and  
22                  ethnic minority populations, Indigenous status, cul-  
23                  tural and language barriers, immigration status,  
24                  physical, sensory, or cognitive disabilities, mental  
25                  disabilities or other mental health needs, sexual ori-

1 entation or gender identity, age (including both el-  
 2 ders and minors), geographical location, faith or reli-  
 3 gious practice, or other bases, as determined by the  
 4 Secretary, under the Family Violence Prevention  
 5 and Services Act program carried out under this  
 6 title.

7 “(19) CHILD.—The term ‘child’ means an indi-  
 8 vidual who is—

9 “(A) younger than age 18; and

10 “(B) not an emancipated minor.”.

11 **SEC. 4. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

12 The Act is amended by repealing section 303 (42  
 13 U.S.C. 10403) and inserting the following:

14 **“SEC. 303. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

15 “(a) APPLICATION.—This section shall apply for any  
 16 fiscal year before the first fiscal year for which the amount  
 17 appropriated to carry out the provisions specified in sub-  
 18 section (b) is not less than \$185,000,000.

19 “(b) AUTHORIZATIONS.—

20 “(1) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized to be  
 21 appropriated to carry out sections 301 through 312,  
 22 \$252,300,000 for each of fiscal years 2020 through  
 23 2024.

24 “(2) RESERVATION FOR GRANTS TO TRIBES.—

25 Of the amounts appropriated under paragraph (1)

1 for a fiscal year, 10 percent shall be reserved and  
2 used to carry out section 309.

3 “(3) FORMULA GRANTS TO STATES.—Of the  
4 amounts appropriated under paragraph (1) for a fis-  
5 cal year and not reserved under paragraph (2) (re-  
6 ferred to in this subsection as the ‘remainder’), not  
7 less than 75 percent shall be used for making grants  
8 under section 306(a).

9 “(4) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING  
10 CENTERS.—Of the remainder, not less than 6 per-  
11 cent shall be used to carry out section 310.

12 “(5) GRANTS FOR STATE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE  
13 COALITIONS.—Of the remainder, not less than 10  
14 percent shall be used to carry out section 311.

15 “(6) SPECIALIZED SERVICES.—Of the remain-  
16 der, not less than 5 percent shall be used to carry  
17 out section 312.

18 “(7) ADMINISTRATION, EVALUATION, AND MON-  
19 ITORING.—Of the remainder, not more than 4 per-  
20 cent shall be used by the Secretary for evaluation,  
21 monitoring, and other administrative costs under  
22 this title.

23 “(c) TRIBAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COALITIONS.—  
24 There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out section

1 311A \$7,500,000 for each of fiscal years 2020 through  
2 2024.

3 “(d) NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE.—  
4 There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out section  
5 313 \$10,250,000 for each of fiscal years 2020 through  
6 2024.

7 “(e) NATIONAL INDIAN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOT-  
8 LINE.—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry  
9 out section 313A \$2,500,000 for each of fiscal years 2020  
10 through 2024.

11 “(f) DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION ENHANCE-  
12 MENT AND LEADERSHIP THROUGH ALLIANCES.—There  
13 is authorized to be appropriated to carry out section 314  
14 \$26,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2020 through 2024.

15 “(g) GRANTS FOR UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS.—  
16 There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out section  
17 315 \$10,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2020 through  
18 2024.

19 “(h) GRANTS FOR CULTURALLY SPECIFIC SERV-  
20 ICES.—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out  
21 section 316 \$6,250,000 for each of fiscal years 2020  
22 through 2024.

23 **“SEC. 303A. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

24 “(a) APPLICATION.—This section shall apply for—

1           “(1) the first fiscal year for which the amount  
2           appropriated to carry out the provisions specified in  
3           subsection (b) is not less than \$185,000,000; and

4           “(2) each subsequent fiscal year.

5           “(b) AUTHORIZATION.—

6           “(1) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized to be  
7           appropriated to carry out sections 301 through 312  
8           and 316, \$250,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2020  
9           through 2024.

10          “(2) RESERVATIONS FOR GRANTS TO TRIBES.—

11          Of the amounts appropriated under paragraph (1)  
12          for a fiscal year, 12.5 percent shall be reserved and  
13          used to carry out section 309.

14          “(3) FORMULA GRANTS TO STATES.—Of the

15          amounts appropriated under paragraph (1) for a fis-  
16          cal year and not reserved under paragraph (2) (re-  
17          ferred to in this subsection as the ‘remainder’), not  
18          less than 70 percent shall be used for making grants  
19          under section 306(a).

20          “(4) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING

21          CENTERS.—Of the remainder, not less than 6 per-  
22          cent shall be used to carry out section 310.

23          “(5) GRANTS FOR STATE AND TRIBAL DOMES-

24          TIC VIOLENCE COALITIONS.—Of the remainder—

1           “(A) not less than 10 percent shall be used  
2           to carry out section 311; and

3           “(B) not less than 3 percent shall be used  
4           to carry out section 311A.

5           “(6) SPECIALIZED SERVICES.—Of the remain-  
6           der, not less than 5 percent shall be used to carry  
7           out section 312.

8           “(7) CULTURALLY SPECIFIC SERVICES.—Of the  
9           remainder, not less 2.5 percent shall be used to  
10          carry out section 316.

11          “(8) ADMINISTRATION, EVALUATION, AND MON-  
12          ITORING.—Of the remainder, not more than 3.5 per-  
13          cent shall be used by the Secretary for evaluation,  
14          monitoring, and other administrative costs under  
15          this title.

16          “(c) NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE.—  
17          There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out section  
18          313 \$10,250,000 for each of fiscal years 2020 through  
19          2024.

20          “(d) NATIONAL INDIAN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOT-  
21          LINE.—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry  
22          out section 313A \$2,500,000 for each of fiscal years 2020  
23          through 2024.

24          “(e) DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION ENHANCE-  
25          MENT AND LEADERSHIP THROUGH ALLIANCES.—There

1 is authorized to be appropriated to carry out section 314  
2 \$26,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2020 through 2024.

3 “(f) GRANTS FOR UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS.—  
4 There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out section  
5 315 \$10,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2020 through  
6 2024.”.

7 **SEC. 5. AUTHORITY OF SECRETARY.**

8 Section 304 (42 U.S.C. 10404) is amended—

9 (1) in subsection (a)—

10 (A) in paragraph (3), by inserting “or in-  
11 stitutions of higher education, including to sup-  
12 port and evaluate demonstration or discre-  
13 tionary projects in response to current and  
14 emerging issues,” after “nongovernmental enti-  
15 ties”; and

16 (B) in paragraph (4), by striking “CAPTA  
17 Reauthorization Act of 2010” and inserting  
18 “Family Violence Prevention and Services Im-  
19 provement Act of 2019”; and

20 (2) in subsection (b)—

21 (A) in paragraph (2), by striking “preven-  
22 tion and treatment of” inserting “prevention of,  
23 intervention in, and treatment of,”; and

24 (B) in paragraph (3)—

1 (i) in subparagraph (B), by striking “;  
2 and” and inserting a semicolon; and

3 (ii) by adding after subparagraph (C)  
4 the following:

5 “(D) making grants to eligible entities or  
6 entering into contracts with for-profit or non-  
7 profit nongovernmental entities or institutions  
8 of higher education to conduct domestic vio-  
9 lence research or evaluation; and”.

10 **SEC. 6. ALLOTMENT OF FUNDS.**

11 Section 305 (42 U.S.C. 10405) is amended—

12 (1) by amending subsection (a) to read as fol-  
13 lows:

14 “(a) IN GENERAL.—From the sums appropriated  
15 under section 303 and available for grants to States under  
16 section 306(a) for any fiscal year, each State (including  
17 Guam, American Samoa, the United States Virgin Is-  
18 lands, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana  
19 Islands) shall be allotted for a grant under section 306(a),  
20 \$600,000, with the remaining funds to be allotted to each  
21 State (other than Guam, American Samoa, the United  
22 States Virgin Islands, and the Commonwealth of the  
23 Northern Mariana Islands) in an amount that bears the  
24 same ratio to such remaining funds as the population of  
25 such State bears to the population of all such States (ex-



1 cluding Guam, American Samoa, the United States Virgin  
2 Islands, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana  
3 Islands).”;

4 (2) in subsection (e), by striking “under section  
5 314” each place it appears and inserting “under this  
6 title”; and

7 (3) by striking subsection (f).

8 **SEC. 7. FORMULA GRANTS TO STATES.**

9 Section 306 (42 U.S.C. 10406) is amended—

10 (1) in subsection (a)—

11 (A) in paragraph (2), by striking “depend-  
12 ents” and inserting “children and dependents”;  
13 and

14 (B) in paragraph (3), by inserting “Indi-  
15 ans, members of Indian Tribes, or” after “who  
16 are”; and

17 (2) in subsection (c)—

18 (A) in paragraph (2)—

19 (i) in subparagraph (A), by inserting  
20 “, on the basis of sexual orientation or  
21 gender identity under section  
22 40002(b)(13)(A) of the Violence Against  
23 Women Act of 1994 (34 U.S.C.  
24 12291(b)(13)(A)),” after “title IX of the

1 Education Amendments of 1972 (20  
2 U.S.C. 1681 et seq.),”;

3 (ii) in subparagraph (B)(i), by strik-  
4 ing the second sentence and inserting the  
5 following: “If sex-segregated or sex-specific  
6 programming is necessary to the essential  
7 operation of a program, nothing in this  
8 paragraph shall prevent any such program  
9 or activity from being provided in a sex-  
10 specific manner. In such circumstances,  
11 grantees may meet the requirements of  
12 this paragraph by providing comparable  
13 services to individuals who cannot be pro-  
14 vided with the sex-segregated or sex-spe-  
15 cific programming.”; and

16 (iii) in subparagraphs (C) and (D)—

17 (I) by striking “Indian tribe”  
18 and inserting “Indian Tribe”; and

19 (II) by striking “tribally” and in-  
20 serting “Tribally”;

21 (B) by striking paragraph (4);

22 (C) by redesignating paragraphs (5) and  
23 (6) as paragraphs (4) and (5), respectively;

24 (D) in paragraph (4), as so redesignated—

1 (i) in subparagraph (A), by adding at  
 2 the end the following: “The nondisclosure  
 3 of confidential or private information re-  
 4 quirements under section 40002(b)(2) of  
 5 the Violence Against Women Act of 1994  
 6 (34 U.S.C. 12291(b)(2)) shall apply to  
 7 grantees and subgrantees under this title  
 8 in the same manner such requirements  
 9 apply to grantees and subgrantees under  
 10 such Act.”;

11 (ii) in subparagraph (G)(i), by strik-  
 12 ing “tribal” and inserting “Tribal”;

13 (iii) by striking subparagraphs (B),  
 14 (C), (D), and (F); and

15 (iv) by redesignating subparagraphs  
 16 (E), (G), and (H) as subparagraphs (B),  
 17 (C), and (D), respectively; and

18 (E) in paragraph (5), as so redesignated—

19 (i) by striking “Indian tribe” and in-  
 20 serting “Indian Tribe”; and

21 (ii) by striking “tribal” and inserting  
 22 “Tribal”.

23 **SEC. 8. STATE APPLICATION.**

24 Section 307 (42 U.S.C. 10407) is amended—

25 (1) in subsection (a)—

1 (A) in paragraph (1)—

2 (i) by striking “tribally” and inserting  
3 “Tribally”; and

4 (ii) by adding “For purposes of sec-  
5 tion 2007(c)(3) of the Omnibus Crime  
6 Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, a  
7 State’s application under this paragraph  
8 shall be deemed to be a ‘State plan.’” at  
9 the end; and

10 (B) in paragraph (2)—

11 (i) in subparagraph (A)—

12 (I) by striking “provide a de-  
13 scription of the procedures that” and  
14 inserting “certify that procedures”;  
15 and

16 (II) by inserting “and provide a  
17 description of such procedures” before  
18 the semicolon;

19 (ii) in subparagraph (B)—

20 (I) in the matter preceding clause  
21 (i), by striking “assurances” and in-  
22 sserting “certifications”; and

23 (II) in clause (iii)—

24 (aa) in subclause (I)—

- 1 (AA) by striking “oper-  
2 ation of shelters” and insert-  
3 ing “provision of shelter”;  
4 and  
5 (BB) by striking “de-  
6 pendents” and inserting  
7 “children and dependents”;  
8 and  
9 (bb) in subclause (II), by  
10 striking “dependents” and insert-  
11 ing “children and dependents”;  
12 (iii) in subparagraph (C), by striking  
13 “an assurance” and inserting “a certifi-  
14 cation”;  
15 (iv) in subparagraph (D)—  
16 (I) by striking “an assurance”  
17 and inserting “a certification”;  
18 (II) by striking “planning and  
19 monitoring” and inserting “planning,  
20 coordination, and monitoring”; and  
21 (III) by striking “and the admin-  
22 istration of the grant programs and  
23 projects” and inserting “, the admin-  
24 istration of the grant programs and  
25 projects, and the establishment of a

- 1 set of service standards and best prac-  
2 tices for grantees”;
- 3 (v) in subparagraph (E)—
- 4 (I) by inserting “provide certifi-  
5 cation and” before “describe”; and
- 6 (II) by striking “to underserved  
7 populations” and all that follows  
8 through the semicolon and inserting  
9 “for individuals from racial and ethnic  
10 minority groups, Tribal populations,  
11 and other underserved populations, in  
12 the State planning process, and how  
13 the State plan addresses the unmet  
14 needs of such populations;”;
- 15 (vi) in subparagraphs (E), (F), and  
16 (G), by striking “Indian tribe” each place  
17 it appears and inserting “Indian Tribe”;
- 18 (vii) in subparagraph (G), by striking  
19 “tribally” and inserting “Tribally”;
- 20 (viii) by redesignating subparagraphs  
21 (H) and (I) as subparagraph (I) and (J),  
22 respectively;
- 23 (ix) by inserting after subparagraph  
24 (G) the following:

1           “(H) describe how activities and services  
2 provided by the State or Indian Tribe are de-  
3 signed to promote trauma-informed care, auton-  
4 omy, and privacy for victims of family violence,  
5 domestic violence, and dating violence, and their  
6 children and dependents, including in the de-  
7 sign and delivery of shelter services;” and

8           (x) in subparagraph (I), as so redesign-  
9 nated—

10           (I) by striking “tribe” and insert-  
11 ing “Tribe”;

12           (II) by striking “an assurance”  
13 and inserting “a certification”; and

14           (III) by inserting “, remove, or  
15 exclude” after “bar”; and

16 (2) in subsection (b)—

17           (A) in paragraph (2), by striking “tribe”  
18 each place it appears and inserting “Tribe”;  
19 and

20           (B) in paragraph (3)—

21           (i) in the heading, by striking “TRIB-  
22 AL” and inserting “TRIBAL”; and

23           (ii) by striking “Indian tribes” each  
24 place such term appears and inserting “In-  
25 dian Tribes”.

1 **SEC. 9. SUBGRANTS AND USES OF FUNDS.**

2 Section 308 (42 U.S.C. 10408) is amended—

3 (1) in subsection (a)—

4 (A) by striking “that is designed” and in-  
5 serting “that are designed”; and

6 (B) by striking “dependents” and inserting  
7 “children and dependents”;

8 (2) in subsection (b)—

9 (A) in paragraph (1)—

10 (i) in the matter preceding subpara-  
11 graph (A), by striking “, supportive serv-  
12 ices, or prevention services” and inserting  
13 “or supportive services”;

14 (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
15 “developing safety plans” and inserting  
16 “safety planning”;

17 (iii) in subparagraph (E), by inserting  
18 “for racial and ethnic minority groups” be-  
19 fore the semicolon;

20 (iv) by redesignating subparagraphs  
21 (F) through (H) as subparagraphs (G)  
22 through (I), respectively;

23 (v) by inserting after subparagraph  
24 (E) the following:

25 “(F) provision of shelter and services to  
26 underserved populations;”;



1 (vi) in subparagraph (H), as so redesi-  
2 gnated—

3 (I) in the matter preceding clause  
4 (i), by striking “, case management  
5 services,”;

6 (II) in clause (i), by striking  
7 “Federal and State” and inserting  
8 “Federal, State, and local”;

9 (III) in clause (iii), by striking “,  
10 but which shall not include reimburse-  
11 ment for any health care services”;

12 (IV) in clause (v), by striking “;  
13 and” and inserting a semicolon;

14 (V) by redesignating clause (vi)  
15 as clause (vii);

16 (VI) by inserting after clause (v)  
17 the following:

18 “(vi) language assistance, including  
19 translation of written materials, telephonic  
20 and in-person interpreter services, for vic-  
21 tims with limited English proficiency or  
22 victims who are deaf or hard of hearing;  
23 and”;

1 (VII) in clause (vii), as so redese-  
2 igned, by striking “; and” and in-  
3 sserting a semicolon; and

4 (vii) by adding at the end the fol-  
5 lowing:

6 “(J) partnerships that enhance the design  
7 and delivery of services to victims and their  
8 children and dependents.”;

9 (B) in paragraph (2)—

10 (i) by striking “for the primary pur-  
11 pose of providing” and inserting “whose  
12 primary purpose is to provide”;

13 (ii) by inserting “, for the provision of  
14 such shelter and services” before the pe-  
15 riod at the end of the first sentence;

16 (iii) by striking “supportive services  
17 and prevention services” and inserting  
18 “supportive services or prevention serv-  
19 ices”; and

20 (iv) by striking “through (H)” and in-  
21 sserting “through (I)”; and

22 (C) by striking “dependents” each place it  
23 appears (other than in paragraph (1)(J)) and  
24 inserting “children and dependents”; and

25 (3) in subsection (c)—

1 (A) in paragraph (1)—

2 (i) by striking “a local public agency,  
3 or”; and

4 (ii) by striking “dependents” and in-  
5 sserting “children and dependents”; and

6 (B) by striking “tribal organizations, and  
7 voluntary associations),” and inserting “Tribal  
8 organizations and voluntary associations) or a  
9 local public agency”; and

10 (C) by amending paragraph (2) to read as  
11 follows:

12 “(2) an organization whose primary purpose is  
13 to provide culturally appropriate services to racial  
14 and ethnic minority groups, Tribal communities, or  
15 other underserved populations, that does not have a  
16 documented history of effective work concerning  
17 family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence,  
18 but that is in partnership with an organization de-  
19 scribed in paragraph (1).”; and

20 (4) in subsection (d)—

21 (A) in paragraph (1)—

22 (i) in the heading, by striking “OR  
23 DEPENDANTS” and inserting “, OR CHIL-  
24 DREN OR DEPENDENTS”; and

1 (ii) by striking “dependent” and in-  
 2 serting “child or dependent”; and

3 (B) by amending paragraph (2) to read as  
 4 follows:

5 “(2) VOLUNTARILY ACCEPTED SERVICES.—Par-  
 6 ticipation in supportive services under this title shall  
 7 be voluntary. Receipt of the benefits of shelter de-  
 8 scribed in subsection (b)(1)(A) shall not be condi-  
 9 tioned upon the participation of the adult or youth,  
 10 or their children or dependents, in any or all of the  
 11 supportive services offered under this title.”.

12 **SEC. 10. GRANTS FOR INDIAN TRIBES.**

13 Section 309 (42 U.S.C. 10409) is amended—

14 (1) in subsection (a)—

15 (A) by striking “42 U.S.C. 14045d” and  
 16 inserting “34 U.S.C. 20126”;

17 (B) by striking “tribal” and inserting  
 18 “Tribal”;

19 (C) by striking “Indian tribes” and insert-  
 20 ing “Indian Tribes”; and

21 (D) by striking “section 303(a)(2)(B)”  
 22 and inserting “section 303 or 303A and made  
 23 available”; and

24 (2) in subsection (b)—

1 (A) by striking “Indian tribe” each place it  
 2 appears and inserting “Indian Tribe”; and

3 (B) by striking “tribal organization” each  
 4 place it appears and inserting “Tribal organiza-  
 5 tion”.

6 **SEC. 11. NATIONAL RESOURCE CENTERS AND TRAINING**  
 7 **AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CENTERS.**

8 Section 310 (42 U.S.C. 10410) is amended—

9 (1) in subsection (a)(2)—

10 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph  
 11 (A), by striking “under this title and reserved  
 12 under section 303(a)(2)(C)” and inserting  
 13 “under section 303 or 303A and made available  
 14 to carry out this section”;

15 (B) in subparagraph (A)—

16 (i) in clause (i), by striking “; and”  
 17 and inserting a semicolon;

18 (ii) in clause (ii), by striking “7” and  
 19 inserting “9”; and

20 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-  
 21 lowing:

22 “(iii) an Alaska Native Tribal re-  
 23 source center on domestic violence, to re-  
 24 duce Tribal disparities; and”;

25 (C) in subparagraph (B)—

1 (i) in the matter preceding clause (i),  
2 by striking “grants, to” inserting “grants  
3 to entities that focus on other critical  
4 issues, such as”;

5 (ii) in clause (i), by striking “(includ-  
6 ing Alaska Native)”;

7 (iii) by amending clause (ii) to read as  
8 follows:

9 “(ii) entities demonstrating expertise  
10 related to carrying out an activity de-  
11 scribed in subclause (I), (II), or (III) to—

12 “(I) address the housing needs of  
13 domestic violence victims and their  
14 children and dependents;

15 “(II) develop leadership of advo-  
16 cates from underserved communities;  
17 or

18 “(III) address other emerging  
19 issues related to family violence, do-  
20 mestic violence, or dating violence.”;  
21 and

22 (2) in subsection (b)—

23 (A) in paragraph (1)—

24 (i) in subparagraph (A)—

1 (I) in clause (i), by inserting  
2 “and dependents” after “children”;  
3 and

4 (II) in clause (ii), in the matter  
5 preceding subclause (I), by inserting  
6 “online” after “central”; and

7 (ii) in subparagraph (B)—

8 (I) in clauses (i) and (ii)—

9 (aa) by striking “tribes and  
10 tribal organizations” and insert-  
11 ing “Tribes and Tribal organiza-  
12 tions”; and

13 (bb) by striking “the tribes”  
14 and inserting “the Tribes”;

15 (II) in clause (i), by striking  
16 “42” and all the follows through  
17 “3796gg–10 note” and inserting “34  
18 U.S.C. 10452 note”;

19 (III) in clause (ii), by striking  
20 “42” and all that follows through  
21 “3796gg–10 note” and inserting “34  
22 U.S.C. 10452 note”; and

23 (IV) in clause (iii), by inserting  
24 “the Office for Victims of Crime and”  
25 after “Human Services, and”;

1 (B) in paragraph (2)—

2 (i) in the matter preceding subpara-  
3 graph (A), by striking “State and local do-  
4 mestic violence service providers” and in-  
5 serting “support effective policy, practice,  
6 research, and cross systems collaboration”;

7 (ii) in subparagraph (A), by striking  
8 “which may include the response to the use  
9 of the self-defense plea by domestic vio-  
10 lence victims and the issuance and use of  
11 protective orders” and inserting “including  
12 the issuance and use of protective orders,  
13 batterers’ intervention programming, and  
14 responses to charged, incarcerated, and re-  
15 entering domestic violence victims”;

16 (iii) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
17 “dependents” and inserting “children”;

18 (iv) in subparagraph (C), by inserting  
19 “, and the response of domestic violence  
20 programs and other community organiza-  
21 tions with respect to health advocacy and  
22 addressing health issues” before the pe-  
23 riod;

24 (v) by amending subparagraph (D) to  
25 read as follows:



1           “(D) The response of behavioral health  
2 systems, domestic violence and other related  
3 systems and programs to victims of domestic vi-  
4 olence and their children and dependents who  
5 experience psychological trauma, mental health  
6 issues, or substance use-related needs.”; and

7           (vi) by adding at the end the fol-  
8 lowing:

9           “(F) The response of the domestic violence  
10 programs and related systems to victims who  
11 are underserved due to sexual orientation or  
12 gender identity, including expanding the capac-  
13 ity of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender  
14 organizations to respond to and prevent domes-  
15 tic violence.

16           “(G) Strengthening the organizational ca-  
17 pacity of State, territorial, and Tribal domestic  
18 violence coalitions and of State, territorial, and  
19 Tribal administrators who distribute funds  
20 under this title to community-based domestic vi-  
21 olence programs, with the aim of better ena-  
22 bling such coalitions and administrators—

23           “(i) to collaborate and respond effec-  
24 tively to domestic violence;

1                   “(ii) to meet the conditions and carry  
2                   out the provisions of this title; and

3                   “(iii) to implement best practices to  
4                   meet the emerging needs of victims of do-  
5                   mestic violence and their families, children,  
6                   and dependents.”;

7                   (C) by redesignating paragraph (3) as  
8                   paragraph (4);

9                   (D) by inserting after paragraph (2) the  
10                  following:

11                  “(3) ALASKA NATIVE TRIBAL RESOURCE CEN-  
12                  TER.—In accordance with subsection (a)(2), the Sec-  
13                  retary shall award a grant to an eligible entity for  
14                  an Alaska Native Tribal resource center on domestic  
15                  violence to reduce Tribal disparities, which shall—

16                  “(A) offer a comprehensive array of tech-  
17                  nical assistance and training resources to In-  
18                  dian Tribes and Tribal organizations, specifi-  
19                  cally designed to enhance the capacity of the  
20                  Tribes and organizations to respond to domestic  
21                  violence and the findings of section 901 and  
22                  purposes in section 902 of the Violence Against  
23                  Women and Department of Justice Reauthor-  
24                  ization Act of 2005 (34 U.S.C. 10452 note);

1           “(B) coordinate all projects and activities  
2 with the national resource center described in  
3 paragraph (1)(B), including projects and activi-  
4 ties that involve working with non-Tribal State  
5 and local governments to enhance their capacity  
6 to understand the unique needs of Alaska Na-  
7 tives;

8           “(C) provide comprehensive community  
9 education and domestic violence prevention ini-  
10 tiatives in a culturally sensitive and relevant  
11 manner; and

12           “(D) coordinate activities with other Fed-  
13 eral agencies, offices, and grantees that address  
14 the needs of Alaska Natives that experience do-  
15 mestic violence, including the Office of Justice  
16 Services of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the  
17 Indian Health Service, and the Office for Vic-  
18 tims of Crime and the Office on Violence  
19 Against Women of the Department of Justice.”;  
20 and

21           (E) in paragraph (4), as so redesignated—  
22           (i) in subparagraphs (A) and (B)(i),  
23 by striking “Indian tribes, tribal organiza-  
24 tions” and inserting “Indian Tribes, Tribal  
25 organizations”; and

1 (ii) in subparagraph (B)—

2 (I) by striking “the tribes” and  
3 inserting “the Tribes”; and

4 (II) by striking “nontribal” and  
5 inserting “non-Tribal”; and

6 (iii) by striking “(including Alaska  
7 Natives)” each place it appears; and

8 (3) in subsection (c)—

9 (A) in paragraph (1)—

10 (i) in the matter preceding subpara-  
11 graph (A), by striking “or (D)” and insert-  
12 ing “(D), (F), or (G)”; and

13 (ii) by amending subparagraph (B) to  
14 read as follows:

15 “(B) includes on the board of directors or  
16 advisory committee and on the staff of such en-  
17 tity, individuals who are from domestic violence  
18 programs and who are geographically and cul-  
19 turally diverse, and, with respect to grantees  
20 described in subsection (b)(2)(F), who reflect  
21 the targeted communities; and”;

22 (B) in paragraph (2)—

23 (i) by striking “tribal organization”  
24 each place it appears and inserting “Tribal  
25 organization”;

1 (ii) by striking “Indian tribes” each  
 2 place it appears and inserting “Indian  
 3 Tribes”;

4 (iii) by striking “42” and all that fol-  
 5 lows through “3796gg–10 note” and in-  
 6 serting “34 U.S.C. 10452 note”; and

7 (iv) by striking “tribally” and insert-  
 8 ing “Tribally”;

9 (C) in paragraph (3)(B)—

10 (i) in clause (ii), by striking “; and”  
 11 and inserting a semicolon;

12 (ii) in clause (iii), by striking the pe-  
 13 riod and inserting “; and”; and

14 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-  
 15 lowing:

16 “(iv) has a board of directors or advi-  
 17 sory committee, and staff, that reflect the  
 18 targeted community.”;

19 (D) by redesignating paragraph (4) as  
 20 paragraph (5);

21 (E) by inserting after paragraph (3) the  
 22 following:

23 “(4) ALASKA NATIVE TRIBAL RESOURCE CEN-  
 24 TER ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.—To be eligible to re-  
 25 ceive a grant under subsection (b)(3), an entity shall

1 be a Tribal organization or a nonprofit private orga-  
2 nization that focuses primarily on issues of domestic  
3 violence within Tribes in Alaska that submits infor-  
4 mation to the Secretary demonstrating—

5 “(A) experience working with Alaska  
6 Tribes and Tribal organizations to respond to  
7 domestic violence and the findings of section  
8 901 of the Violence Against Women and De-  
9 partment of Justice Reauthorization Act of  
10 2005 (Public Law 109–162; 34 U.S.C. 10452  
11 note);

12 “(B) experience providing Alaska Tribes  
13 and Tribal organizations with assistance in de-  
14 veloping Tribally based prevention and interven-  
15 tion services addressing domestic violence and  
16 safety for Indian women consistent with the  
17 purposes of section 902 of the Violence Against  
18 Women and Department of Justice Reauthor-  
19 ization Act of 2005 (Public Law 109–162; 34  
20 U.S.C. 10452 note);

21 “(C) strong support for the entity’s des-  
22 ignation as the Alaska Native Tribal resource  
23 center on domestic violence from advocates  
24 working with Alaska Tribes to address domestic

1 violence and the safety of Alaska Native  
2 women;

3 “(D) a record of demonstrated effective-  
4 ness in assisting Alaska Tribes and Tribal orga-  
5 nizations with prevention and intervention serv-  
6 ices addressing domestic violence; and

7 “(E) the capacity to serve Tribes across  
8 the State of Alaska.”; and

9 (F) in paragraph (5), as so redesignated—

10 (i) by striking “(including Alaska Na-  
11 tives)”; and

12 (ii) by striking “Indian tribe, tribal  
13 organization” and inserting “Indian Tribe,  
14 Tribal organization”.

15 **SEC. 12. GRANTS TO STATE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COALI-**  
16 **TIONS.**

17 Section 311 (42 U.S.C. 10411) is amended—

18 (1) in subsection (b)(1), by striking “section  
19 303(a)(2)(D)” and inserting “section 303 or 303A  
20 and made available to take out this section”;

21 (2) in subsection (d)—

22 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),  
23 by striking “shall include”;

24 (B) in paragraph (1)—

1 (i) by inserting “, and evidence-in-  
2 formed prevention of,” after “comprehen-  
3 sive responses to”; and

4 (ii) by striking “working with local”  
5 and inserting “shall include—  
6 “(A) working with local”;

7 (C) by redesignating paragraphs (2) and  
8 (3) as subparagraphs (B) and (C), respectively,  
9 and adjusting the margins accordingly;

10 (D) in subparagraph (C) of paragraph (1),  
11 as so redesignated—

12 (i) by striking “dependents” and in-  
13 serting “children and dependents”; and

14 (ii) by adding “and” after the semi-  
15 colon; and

16 (E) by inserting after subparagraph (C) of  
17 paragraph (1), as so redesignated, the fol-  
18 lowing:

19 “(D) collaborating with Indian Tribes and  
20 Tribal organizations (and corresponding Native  
21 Hawaiian groups or communities) to address  
22 the needs of Indian (including Alaska Native)  
23 and Native Hawaiian victims of family violence,  
24 domestic violence, or dating violence, as applica-  
25 ble in the State; and”;



1 (F) in paragraph (4), by striking “collabo-  
2 rating with and providing” and inserting “may  
3 include—

4 “(A) collaborating with and providing”;

5 (G) by redesignating paragraph (4) as  
6 paragraph (2);

7 (H) in paragraph (6), by redesignating  
8 subparagraphs (A) and (B) as clauses (i) and  
9 (ii), respectively, and adjusting the margins ac-  
10 cordingly;

11 (I) by redesignating paragraphs (5)  
12 through (7) as subparagraphs (B) through (D),  
13 respectively, and adjusting the margins accord-  
14 ingly;

15 (J) in clause (ii) of subparagraph (C) of  
16 paragraph (2), as so redesignated, by striking  
17 “child abuse is present;” and inserting “there is  
18 a co-occurrence of child abuse; and”;

19 (K) by striking paragraph (8); and

20 (L) in subparagraph (D) of paragraph (2),  
21 as so redesignated, by striking “; and” and in-  
22 serting a period;

23 (3) by striking subsection (e);

24 (4) by redesignating subsections (f) through (h)  
25 as subsections (e) through (g), respectively; and

1           (5) in subsection (g), as so redesignated, by  
2           striking “Indian tribes and tribal organizations” and  
3           inserting “Indian Tribes and Tribal organizations”.

4 **SEC. 13. GRANTS TO TRIBAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COALI-**  
5 **TIONS.**

6           The Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (42  
7 U.S.C. 10401 et seq.) is amended by inserting after sec-  
8 tion 311 the following:

9 **“SEC. 311A. GRANTS TO TRIBAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COA-**  
10 **LITIONS.**

11           “(a) GRANTS AUTHORIZED.—Beginning with fiscal  
12 year 2020, out of amounts appropriated under section 303  
13 or 303A and made available to carry out this section for  
14 a fiscal year, the Secretary shall award grants to eligible  
15 entities in accordance with this section.

16           “(b) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—To be eligible to receive  
17 a grant under this section, an entity shall be a Tribal do-  
18 mestic violence coalition that is recognized by the Office  
19 on Violence Against Women of the Department of Justice  
20 that provides services to Indian Tribes.

21           “(c) APPLICATION.—Each Tribal domestic violence  
22 coalition desiring a grant under this section shall submit  
23 an application to the Secretary at such time, in such man-  
24 ner, and containing such information as the Secretary may  
25 require. The application submitted by the coalition for the

1 grant shall provide documentation of the coalition’s work,  
2 demonstrating that the coalition—

3 “(1) meets all the applicable requirements set  
4 forth in this section; and

5 “(2) has the ability to conduct all activities de-  
6 scribed in this section, as indicated by—

7 “(A) a documented experience in admin-  
8 istering Federal grants to conduct the activities  
9 described in subsection (d); or

10 “(B) a documented history of activities to  
11 further the purposes of this section set forth in  
12 subsection (d).

13 “(d) USE OF FUNDS.—A Tribal domestic violence co-  
14 alition eligible under subsection (b) that receives a grant  
15 under this section may use the grant funds for administra-  
16 tion and operation to further the purposes of family vio-  
17 lence, domestic violence, and dating violence intervention  
18 and prevention activities, including—

19 “(1) working with local Tribal family violence,  
20 domestic violence, or dating violence service pro-  
21 grams and providers of direct services to encourage  
22 appropriate and comprehensive responses to family  
23 violence, domestic violence, and dating violence  
24 against adults or youth within the Indian Tribes

1 served, including providing training and technical as-  
2 sistance and conducting Tribal needs assessments;

3 “(2) participating in planning and monitoring  
4 the distribution of subgrants and subgrant funds  
5 within the State under section 308(a);

6 “(3) working in collaboration with Tribal serv-  
7 ice providers and community-based organizations to  
8 address the needs of victims of family violence, do-  
9 mestic violence, and dating violence, and their chil-  
10 dren and dependents;

11 “(4) collaborating with, and providing informa-  
12 tion to, entities in such fields as housing, health  
13 care, mental health, social welfare, and law enforce-  
14 ment to support the development and implementa-  
15 tion of effective policies;

16 “(5) supporting the development and implemen-  
17 tation of effective policies, protocols, legislation,  
18 codes, and programs that address the safety and  
19 support needs of adult and youth Tribal victims of  
20 family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence;

21 “(6) encouraging appropriate responses to cases  
22 of family violence, domestic violence, or dating vio-  
23 lence against adults or youth, by working with Trib-  
24 al, State, and Federal judicial agencies and law en-  
25 forcement agencies;

1           “(7) working with Tribal, State and Federal ju-  
2           dicial agencies, including family law judges, criminal  
3           court judges, child protective service agencies, and  
4           children’s advocates to develop appropriate responses  
5           to child custody and visitation issues—

6                   “(A) in cases of child exposure to family  
7           violence, domestic violence, or dating violence;

8           or

9                   “(B) in cases in which—

10                   “(i) family violence, domestic violence,  
11           or dating violence is present; and

12                   “(ii) child abuse is present;

13           “(8) providing information to the public about  
14           prevention of family violence, domestic violence, and  
15           dating violence within Indian Tribes; and

16           “(9) assisting Indian Tribes’ participation in,  
17           and attendance of, Federal and State consultations  
18           on family violence, domestic violence, or dating vio-  
19           lence, including consultations mandated by the Vio-  
20           lence Against Women Act of 1994 (title IV of Public  
21           Law 103–322), the Victims of Crime Act of 1984  
22           (34 U.S.C. 20101 et seq.), or this title.

23           “(e) REALLOCATION.—If, at the end of the sixth  
24           month of any fiscal year for which sums are appropriated  
25           under section 303 or 303A and made available to carry

1 out this section, a portion of the available amount has not  
 2 been awarded to Tribal domestic violence coalitions for  
 3 grants under this section because of the failure of such  
 4 coalitions to meet the requirements for such grants, then  
 5 the Secretary shall award such portion, in equal shares,  
 6 to Tribal domestic violence coalitions that meet such re-  
 7 quirements.”.

8 **SEC. 14. SPECIALIZED SERVICES FOR ABUSED PARENTS**  
 9 **AND THEIR CHILDREN.**

10 Section 312 (42 U.S.C. 10412) is amended—

11 (1) in subsection (a)—

12 (A) in paragraph (1)—

13 (i) by striking “dating violence service  
 14 programs and community-based programs  
 15 to prevent future domestic violence by ad-  
 16 dressing, in an appropriate manner, the  
 17 needs of children” and inserting “cul-  
 18 turally specific community-based programs  
 19 to serve children and youth”; and

20 (ii) by inserting “, and to support the  
 21 caregiving capacity of adult victims” before  
 22 the period; and

23 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “more  
 24 than 2” and inserting “less than 3”;

25 (2) in subsection (b)—

1 (A) by inserting “or State domestic vio-  
2 lence services” after “local”;

3 (B) by inserting “a culturally specific orga-  
4 nization,” after “associations,”;

5 (C) by striking “tribal organization” and  
6 inserting “Tribal organization”;

7 (D) by inserting “adult and child” after  
8 “serving”; and

9 (E) by striking “and their children”; and  
10 (3) in subsection (c)—

11 (A) by amending paragraph (1) to read as  
12 follows:

13 “(1) a description of how the entity will  
14 prioritize the safety of, and confidentiality of infor-  
15 mation about adult and child victims of family vio-  
16 lence, domestic violence, or dating violence;”;

17 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “develop-  
18 mentally appropriate and age-appropriate serv-  
19 ices, and culturally and linguistically appro-  
20 priate services, to the victims and children;  
21 and” and inserting “trauma-informed, develop-  
22 mentally appropriate, age-appropriate, and cul-  
23 turally and linguistically appropriate services to  
24 children and youth and their adult caregivers;”;

1 (C) in paragraph (3), by striking “appropriate and relevant to the unique needs of children exposed to family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence.” and inserting “relevant to the unique needs of children and youth exposed to family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, and address the parent’s or caregiver’s ongoing caregiving capacity; and”;

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9 and

10 (D) by adding at the end the following:

11 “(4) a description of prevention activities targeting child and youth victims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence.”;

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14 (4) in subsection (d)—

15 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),  
16 by striking “community-based program described in subsection (a)” and inserting “culturally specific, community-based program”;

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19 (B) in paragraph (1)(A)—

20 (i) by striking “victims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence and their children” and inserting “child and adult victims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence”; and

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1 (ii) by inserting “or the health sys-  
2 tem” before the semicolon; and

3 (C) in paragraph (2)—

4 (i) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
5 “community-based organizations serving  
6 victims of family violence, domestic vio-  
7 lence, or dating violence or children ex-  
8 posed to family violence, domestic violence,  
9 or dating violence” and inserting “health,  
10 education, or other community-based orga-  
11 nizations serving adult and child victims of  
12 family violence, domestic violence, or dat-  
13 ing violence”; and

14 (ii) in subparagraph (C), by inserting  
15 “health,” after “transportation,”; and

16 (5) in subsection (e)—

17 (A) by inserting “shall participate in an  
18 evaluation and” after “under this section”; and

19 (B) by striking “contain an evaluation of”  
20 and inserting “information on”.

21 **SEC. 15. NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE GRANT.**

22 Section 313 (42 U.S.C. 10413) is amended—

23 (1) in subsection (a)—

24 (A) by striking “toll-free telephone” and  
25 inserting “telephonic and digital services”;

1 (B) by striking “a hotline that provides”  
2 and inserting “a hotline and digital services  
3 that provide”; and

4 (C) by inserting before the period at the  
5 end of the second sentence the following: “, and  
6 who provide information about healthy relation-  
7 ships for adults and youth”;

8 (2) in subsection (d)—

9 (A) in paragraph (2)—

10 (i) in the matter preceding subpara-  
11 graph (A), by inserting “and digital serv-  
12 ices” after “hotline”;

13 (ii) in subparagraphs (A) and (B), by  
14 striking “hotline personnel” each place  
15 such term appears and inserting “advocacy  
16 personnel”;

17 (iii) in subparagraph (A), by striking  
18 “are able to effectively operate any techno-  
19 logical systems used by the hotline” and  
20 inserting “or digital services are able to ef-  
21 fectively operate any technological systems  
22 used by the hotline or provide any digital  
23 services, as applicable”;

24 (iv) in subparagraphs (D), (E), and  
25 (F), by inserting “and digital services”

1 after “hotline” each place such term ap-  
2 pears;

3 (v) in subparagraph (F), by inserting  
4 “or visual” after “hearing”; and

5 (vi) in subparagraph (G), by striking  
6 “teen dating violence hotline” and insert-  
7 ing “youth dating violence hotline and  
8 other digital services and resources”;

9 (B) in paragraph (4), by inserting “, dig-  
10 ital services,” after “hotline”;

11 (C) by amending paragraph (5) to read as  
12 follows:

13 “(5) demonstrate the ability to—

14 “(A) provide information and referrals for  
15 individuals contacting the hotline via telephonic  
16 or digital services;

17 “(B) directly connect callers or assist dig-  
18 ital services users in connecting to service pro-  
19 viders; and

20 “(C) employ crisis interventions meeting  
21 the standards of family violence, domestic vio-  
22 lence, and dating violence providers;”;

23 (D) by redesignating paragraphs (6)  
24 through (8) as paragraphs (7) through (9), re-  
25 spectively; and

1 (E) by inserting after paragraph (5) the  
2 following:

3 “(6) demonstrate the ability to provide informa-  
4 tion about healthy relationships for adults and  
5 youth;”; and

6 (3) in subsection (e)—

7 (A) in the heading, by inserting “AND DIG-  
8 ITAL SERVICES” after “HOTLINE”;

9 (B) in paragraph (1)—

10 (i) by striking “telephone hotline” and  
11 inserting “telephonic hotline and digital  
12 services”; and

13 (ii) by striking “assistance to adult”  
14 and inserting “for the benefit of adult”;  
15 and

16 (C) in paragraph (2)—

17 (i) in subparagraph (A), by inserting  
18 “and an internet service provider for the  
19 use of operating digital services” before  
20 the semicolon;

21 (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
22 “, provide counseling and referral services  
23 for callers on a 24-hour-a-day basis, and  
24 directly connect callers” and inserting  
25 “and digital services contracts, provide

1 counseling, health relationship information,  
2 and referral services for callers and digital  
3 services users, on a 24-hour-a-day basis,  
4 and directly connect callers and digital  
5 services users”;

6 (iii) in subparagraph (C), by inserting  
7 “or digital services users” after “callers”;

8 (iv) in subparagraph (D), by inserting  
9 “and digital services” after “hotline”;

10 (v) in subparagraph (E), by striking  
11 “underserved populations” and inserting  
12 “racial and ethnic minority groups, Tribal  
13 and underserved populations,”; and

14 (vi) in subparagraph (F), by striking  
15 “teen violence hotline” and inserting “hot-  
16 line or digital services”.

17 **SEC. 16. NATIONAL INDIAN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE**  
18 **GRANT.**

19 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

20 (1) 84.3 percent of American Indian and Alas-  
21 ka Native women have experienced violence in their  
22 lifetime;

23 (2) 81.6 percent of American Indian and Alas-  
24 ka Native men have experienced violence in their  
25 lifetime;

1           (3) 56.1 percent of American Indian and Alas-  
2 ka Native women will experience sexual violence in  
3 their lifetime;

4           (4) 55.5 percent of American Indian and Alas-  
5 ka Native women will experience intimate partner vi-  
6 olence in their lifetime;

7           (5) 48.8 percent of American Indian and Alas-  
8 ka Native women will experience stalking;

9           (6) 38 percent of American Indian and Alaska  
10 Natives female victims have been previously unable  
11 to access victim assistance services;

12           (7) Indian Tribes require additional criminal  
13 justice and victim services resources to respond to  
14 violent assaults against women;

15           (8) the unique legal relationship of the United  
16 States to Indian Tribes creates a Federal trust re-  
17 sponsibility to assist Tribal governments in safe-  
18 guarding the lives of Indian women; and

19           (9) a national Indian domestic violence hotline  
20 is required to increase access of Indian adult and  
21 youth victims of family violence, domestic violence,  
22 and dating violence to Tribal victim services and re-  
23 sources.

24           (b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this section is to in-  
25 crease the availability of information and assistance to In-

1 dian adult or youth victims of family violence, domestic  
 2 violence, or dating violence, family and household mem-  
 3 bers of such victim, and individuals affected by such vic-  
 4 timization by supporting a national, toll-free telephonic  
 5 and digital hotline to provide services that are—

6 (1) informed of Federal Indian law and Tribal  
 7 laws impacting Indian victims of family violence, do-  
 8 mestic violence, or dating violence;

9 (2) culturally appropriate to Indian adult and  
 10 youth victims; and

11 (3) developed in cooperation with victim serv-  
 12 ices offered by Indian Tribes and Tribal organiza-  
 13 tions.

14 (c) GRANT PROGRAM.—The Family Violence Preven-  
 15 tion and Services Act (42 U.S.C. 10401 et seq.) is amend-  
 16 ed by inserting after section 313 the following:

17 **“SEC. 313A. NATIONAL INDIAN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOT-**  
 18 **LINE GRANT.**

19 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall award a  
 20 grant to a Tribal organization or private, non-profit entity  
 21 to maintain the ongoing operation of a national, toll-free  
 22 telephonic and digital hotline service to provide informa-  
 23 tion and assistance to Indian adult and youth victims of  
 24 family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, fam-

1 ily and household members of such victims, and other indi-  
2 viduals affected by such victimization.

3 “(b) TERM.—The Secretary shall award a grant  
4 under this section for a period of not more than 5 years.

5 “(c) CONDITIONS ON PAYMENT.—The provision of  
6 payments under a grant awarded under this section shall  
7 be subject to annual approval by the Secretary and subject  
8 to the availability of appropriations for each fiscal year  
9 to make the payments.

10 “(d) ELIGIBILITY.—To be eligible to receive a grant  
11 under this section, an entity shall be a Tribal organization  
12 or a nonprofit private organization that focuses primarily  
13 on issues of domestic violence as it relates to American  
14 Indians and Alaska Natives, and submit an application to  
15 the Secretary that shall—

16 “(1) contain such agreements, assurances, and  
17 information, be in such form, and be submitted in  
18 such manner, as the Secretary shall prescribe;

19 “(2) include a complete description of the appli-  
20 cant’s plan for the operation of a national Indian do-  
21 mestic violence hotline and digital services, including  
22 descriptions of—

23 “(A) the training program for advocacy  
24 personnel relating to the provision of culturally  
25 appropriate and legally accurate services, infor-



1           mation, resources and referrals for Indian vic-  
2           tims of domestic, dating, and family violence;

3           “(B) the training program for advocacy  
4           personnel, relating to technology requirements  
5           to ensure that all persons affiliated with the  
6           hotline and digital services are able to effec-  
7           tively operate any technological systems re-  
8           quired to provide the necessary services used by  
9           the hotline;

10          “(C) the hiring criteria and qualifications  
11          for advocacy personnel, including the applicant,  
12          to ensure that hotline advocates and other per-  
13          sonnel have demonstrated knowledge of Indian  
14          legal, social, and cultural issues, to ensure that  
15          the unique needs of Indian callers and users of  
16          digital services are met;

17          “(D) the methods for the creation, mainte-  
18          nance, and updating of a resource database of  
19          culturally appropriate victim services and re-  
20          sources available from Indian Tribes and Tribal  
21          organizations;

22          “(E) a plan for publicizing the availability  
23          of the services from the national Indian hotline  
24          to Indian victims of domestic violence and dat-  
25          ing violence;

1           “(F) a plan for providing service to non-  
2           English speaking callers, including service  
3           through hotline and digital services personnel  
4           who have non-English language capability;

5           “(G) a plan for facilitating access to hot-  
6           line and digital services by individuals with  
7           hearing impairments; and

8           “(H) a plan for providing assistance and  
9           referrals to Indian youth victims of domestic vi-  
10          olence and for victims of dating violence who  
11          are minors, which may be carried out through  
12          a national Indian youth dating violence hotline,  
13          digital services, or other resources;

14          “(3) demonstrate recognized expertise providing  
15          services, including information on healthy relation-  
16          ships and referrals for Indian victims of family vio-  
17          lence, domestic violence, or dating violence and co-  
18          ordinating services with Indian Tribes or Tribal or-  
19          ganizations;

20          “(4) demonstrate support from Indian victim  
21          services programs, Tribal coalitions recognized by  
22          the Office on Violence Against Women and Tribal  
23          grantees under this title;

24          “(5) demonstrate capacity and the expertise to  
25          maintain a domestic violence hotline, digital services

1 and a comprehensive database of service providers  
2 from Indian Tribes or Tribal organizations;

3 “(6) demonstrate compliance with nondisclosure  
4 requirements as described in section 306(c)(5) and  
5 following comprehensive quality assurance practices;  
6 and

7 “(7) contain such other information as the Sec-  
8 retary may require.

9 “(e) INDIAN HOTLINE ACTIVITIES.—

10 “(1) IN GENERAL.—An entity that receives a  
11 grant under this section shall use funds made avail-  
12 able through the grant for the purpose described in  
13 subsection (a), consistent with paragraph (2).

14 “(2) ACTIVITIES.—In establishing and oper-  
15 ating the hotline, the entity—

16 “(A) shall contract with a carrier for the  
17 use of a toll-free telephone line and an internet  
18 service provider for digital services;

19 “(B) shall employ, train (including pro-  
20 viding technology training), and supervise per-  
21 sonnel to answer incoming calls and digital  
22 services contacts, provide counseling, healthy  
23 relationship and referral services for Indian  
24 callers and digital services users, directly con-

1 nect callers, and assist digital services users in  
2 connecting to service providers;

3 “(C) shall assemble and maintain a data-  
4 base of information relating to services for In-  
5 dian victims of family violence, domestic vio-  
6 lence, or dating violence to which Indian callers  
7 or digital services users may be referred, includ-  
8 ing information on the availability of shelters  
9 and supportive services for victims of family vi-  
10 olence, domestic violence, or dating violence;

11 “(D) shall widely publicize the hotline and  
12 digital services throughout Indian Tribes and  
13 communities, including—

14 “(i) national and regional member or-  
15 ganizations of Indian Tribes;

16 “(ii) Tribal domestic violence services  
17 programs; and

18 “(iii) Tribal non-profit victim service  
19 providers;

20 “(E) at the discretion of the hotline oper-  
21 ator, may provide appropriate assistance and  
22 referrals for family and household members of  
23 Indian victims of family violence, domestic vio-  
24 lence, or dating violence, and Indians affected

1 by the victimization described in subsection (a);  
2 and

3 “(F) at the discretion of the hotline oper-  
4 ator, may provide assistance, or referrals for  
5 counseling or intervention, for identified Indian  
6 perpetrators, including self-identified perpetra-  
7 tors, of family violence, domestic violence, or  
8 dating violence, but shall not be required to  
9 provide such assistance or referrals in any cir-  
10 cumstance in which the hotline operator fears  
11 the safety of a victim may be impacted by an  
12 abuser or suspected abuser.

13 “(f) REPORTS AND EVALUATION.—The entity receiv-  
14 ing a grant under this section shall submit a performance  
15 report to the Secretary at such time as shall be reasonably  
16 required by the Secretary. Such performance report shall  
17 describe the activities that have been carried out with such  
18 grant funds, contain an evaluation of the effectiveness of  
19 such activities, and provide such additional information as  
20 the Secretary may reasonably require.”.

21 **SEC. 17. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION ENHANCE-**  
22 **MENT AND LEADERSHIP.**

23 Section 314 (42 U.S.C. 10414) is amended to read  
24 as follows:

1 **“SEC. 314. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION ENHANCE-**  
2 **MENT AND LEADERSHIP.**

3 “(a) PURPOSE AND DESCRIPTION OF GRANTS.—

4 “(1) PURPOSE.—The purposes of this section  
5 are—

6 “(A) to continue efforts to build evidence  
7 for effective primary prevention practices, pro-  
8 grams, and policies that reduce and end family  
9 violence, domestic violence, and dating violence;

10 “(B) to build capacity at the State, Tribal,  
11 territorial, and local levels to meet the objec-  
12 tives described in subparagraph (A); and

13 “(C) to advance primary prevention efforts  
14 related to family violence, domestic violence,  
15 and dating violence nationally.

16 “(2) DESCRIPTION OF GRANTS.—From the  
17 amounts appropriated under this section, the Sec-  
18 retary shall—

19 “(A) acting through the Division of Vio-  
20 lence Prevention of the Centers for Disease  
21 Control and Prevention, in consultation with  
22 the Director of the Division of Family Violence  
23 Prevention and Services of the Administration  
24 for Children and Families—

25 “(i) provide core grants under sub-  
26 section (b)(1) to support primary preven-

1           tion of family violence, domestic violence  
2           and dating violence; and

3           “(ii) enter into cooperative agree-  
4           ments under subsection (b)(2) with State,  
5           territorial, and Tribal domestic violence  
6           coalitions that are in partnerships with en-  
7           tities carrying out local and culturally spe-  
8           cific programs, to test, evaluate, or scale  
9           up innovative family violence, domestic vio-  
10          lence, or dating violence prevention models,  
11          particularly those programs serving cul-  
12          turally specific or traditionally underserved  
13          communities; and

14          “(B) acting through the Family Violence  
15          Prevention and Services Program of the Admin-  
16          istration for Children and Families, award  
17          grants under subsection (c) to enhance the ca-  
18          pacity of communities and systems to engage in  
19          effective prevention efforts.

20          “(3) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, EVALUATION,  
21          AND MONITORING.—Of the amounts appropriated  
22          under this section for a fiscal year the Secretary  
23          may use—

1           “(A) not more than 5 percent of the  
2 amounts for evaluation, monitoring, and other  
3 administrative costs under this section; and

4           “(B) not more than 3 percent of the  
5 amounts for each fiscal year for technical as-  
6 sistance under this section.

7           “(b) GRANTS TO STATE, TERRITORIAL, AND TRIBAL  
8 COALITIONS.—

9           “(1) GRANTS TO BUILD PRIMARY PREVENTION  
10 CAPACITY OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COALITIONS.—

11           “(A) PURPOSE.—The Secretary shall pro-  
12 vide a core grant for each eligible State, terri-  
13 torial, and Tribal coalition. The Secretary shall  
14 provide such a grant to build organizational ca-  
15 pacity and leadership for primary prevention of  
16 family violence, domestic violence and dating vi-  
17 olence, including work with other systems cen-  
18 tral to prevention at the local, State, territorial,  
19 and Tribal levels.

20           “(B) ELIGIBILITY.—To be eligible to re-  
21 ceive a grant under this paragraph, a State,  
22 territorial, or Tribal coalition shall be a State  
23 domestic violence coalition, territorial domestic  
24 violence coalition, or Tribal domestic violence  
25 coalition, respectively, that has not entered into



1 a cooperative agreement under section 314 of  
2 this Act (as in effect on the day before the date  
3 of enactment of the Family Violence Prevention  
4 and Services Improvement Act of 2019) or  
5 under paragraph (2).

6 “(C) ALLOTMENT OF FUNDS.—From the  
7 amount appropriated to carry out this section,  
8 and available for this subsection the Secretary  
9 shall allot an equal share to each qualified enti-  
10 ty receiving funds under section 311 or section  
11 311A to carry out evidence-informed prevention  
12 activities.

13 “(D) APPLICATION.—Each coalition seek-  
14 ing a grant under this paragraph shall submit  
15 an application to the Secretary at such time, in  
16 such manner, and containing such information  
17 as the Secretary may require. The application  
18 submitted by the coalition for the grant shall  
19 provide documentation of the coalition’s preven-  
20 tion work, satisfactory to the Secretary, dem-  
21 onstrating that the coalition—

22 “(i) meets all of the applicable re-  
23 quirements of this paragraph; and

1           “(ii) demonstrates the ability to con-  
2           duct appropriately the prevention activities  
3           described in this paragraph.

4           “(E) USE OF FUNDS.—A coalition that re-  
5           ceives a grant under this paragraph—

6           “(i) shall use the grant funds to—

7                   “(I) build the coalition’s organi-  
8                   zational capacity and enhance its  
9                   State or Tribal leadership to advance  
10                  evidence-informed primary prevention  
11                  of family violence, domestic violence,  
12                  and dating violence;

13                   “(II) provide prevention-focused  
14                   training, technical assistance, peer  
15                   learning opportunities, and other sup-  
16                   port to local domestic violence pro-  
17                   grams and other community-based  
18                   and culturally specific programs work-  
19                   ing to address family violence, domes-  
20                   tic violence, or dating violence;

21                   “(III) provide training and advoca-  
22                   cy to other State, Tribal, and local  
23                   public and private systems on how to  
24                   prevent domestic violence, dating vio-  
25                   lence, and family violence, and help

1 victims, including through health serv-  
2 ices, early childhood programs, eco-  
3 nomic support programs, schools,  
4 child welfare, workforce development,  
5 community-based programs primarily  
6 serving racial and ethnic minority  
7 groups, community-based programs  
8 primarily serving other underserved  
9 populations, faith-based programs,  
10 and youth programs; and

11 “(IV) support dissemination of  
12 prevention strategies and approaches  
13 throughout the State, territorial, or  
14 Tribal communities; and

15 “(ii) may use the grant funds to pro-  
16 vide subgrants to local programs to sup-  
17 port the dissemination of primary preven-  
18 tion programs or initiatives.

19 “(F) REPORTS.—Each entity receiving a  
20 grant under this section shall submit a perform-  
21 ance report to the Secretary at such time as the  
22 Secretary requires. Such performance report  
23 shall describe the activities that have been car-  
24 ried out with such grant funds and the effec-  
25 tiveness of such activities, and provide such ad-

1           ditional information as the Secretary may re-  
2           quire.

3           “(G) FEDERAL ACTIVITIES.—The Sec-  
4           retary may use a portion of the funds provided  
5           under this paragraph to provide prevention-fo-  
6           cused training, technical assistance, and other  
7           support to coalitions described in subparagraph  
8           (B) or State or local entities that are in part-  
9           nerships with such coalitions.

10          “(2) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT FOR IMPLE-  
11          MENTATION AND EVALUATION OF PRIMARY PREVEN-  
12          TION STRATEGIES.—

13                 “(A) PURPOSE.—The Secretary shall enter  
14                 into cooperative agreements with qualified  
15                 State, territorial, and Tribal domestic violence  
16                 coalitions that are in partnerships with entities  
17                 carrying out local and culturally specific pro-  
18                 grams, to test, evaluate, or scale up innovative  
19                 family violence, domestic violence, or dating vio-  
20                 lence prevention strategies and models, particu-  
21                 larly those serving culturally specific or tradi-  
22                 tionally underserved communities.

23                 “(B) QUALIFICATION.—To be qualified to  
24                 enter into a cooperative agreement under sub-  
25                 section (a)(2)(A)(ii), an organization shall be a

1 State, territorial, or Tribal domestic violence co-  
2 alition and include representatives of pertinent  
3 sectors of the local community, which may in-  
4 clude—

5 “(i) health care providers and Tribal,  
6 State, or local health departments;

7 “(ii) the education community;

8 “(iii) a faith-based community;

9 “(iv) the juvenile justice system;

10 “(v) family violence, domestic violence,  
11 and dating violence service program advo-  
12 cates;

13 “(vi) public human service entities;

14 “(vii) business and civic leaders;

15 “(viii) child and youth-serving organi-  
16 zations;

17 “(ix) community-based organizations  
18 whose primary purpose is to provide cul-  
19 turally appropriate services to underserved  
20 populations, including racial and ethnic mi-  
21 nority communities; and

22 “(x) other pertinent sectors.

23 “(C) TERM.—The Secretary shall enter  
24 into a cooperative agreement under this section  
25 for a period of not more than 5 fiscal years.

1           “(D) CONDITIONS ON PAYMENT.—The  
2 provision of payments under a cooperative  
3 agreement under this section shall be subject  
4 to—

5                   “(i) annual approval by the Secretary;

6           and

7                   “(ii) the availability of appropriations  
8 for each fiscal year to make the payments.

9           “(E) APPLICATIONS.—An organization  
10 that desires to enter into a cooperative agree-  
11 ment under this section shall submit to the Sec-  
12 retary an application, in such form and in such  
13 manner as the Secretary shall require, that—

14                   “(i) identifies models and strategies to  
15 be tested and partner organizations who  
16 will be implementing programs to prevent  
17 family violence, domestic violence, or dat-  
18 ing violence;

19                   “(ii) demonstrates that the applicant  
20 has developed effective and collaborative  
21 relationships with diverse communities, in-  
22 cluding with organizations primarily serv-  
23 ing racial and ethnic minority populations  
24 or other underserved populations;

1           “(iii) identifies other partners and  
2           sectors who will be engaged to meet the  
3           prevention goals;

4           “(iv) includes a description of the ex-  
5           pected outcomes from the prevention ac-  
6           tivities and how the strategy is expected to  
7           achieve those outcomes;

8           “(v) describes the method to be used  
9           for identification and selection of project  
10          staff and a project evaluator;

11          “(vi) describes the method to be used  
12          for identification and selection of a project  
13          council consisting of representatives of the  
14          community sectors listed in subparagraph  
15          (B);

16          “(vii) demonstrates that the applicant  
17          has the capacity to carry out collaborative  
18          community initiatives to prevent family vi-  
19          olence, domestic violence, and dating vio-  
20          lence; and

21          “(viii) contains such other informa-  
22          tion, agreements, and assurances as the  
23          Secretary may require.

24          “(F) GEOGRAPHICAL DISPERSION.—The  
25          Secretary shall enter into cooperative agree-

1           ments under this section with organizations in  
2           States, territories, and Tribes geographically  
3           dispersed throughout the Nation.

4           “(G) USE OF FUNDS.—

5           “(i) IN GENERAL.—An organization  
6           that enters into a cooperative agreement  
7           under this paragraph shall use the funds  
8           made available through the agreement to  
9           establish, operate, and maintain implemen-  
10          tation and evaluation of coordinated com-  
11          munity response to reduce risk factors for  
12          family violence, domestic violence and dat-  
13          ing violence perpetration and enhance pro-  
14          tective factors to promote positive develop-  
15          ment and healthy relationships and com-  
16          munities.

17          “(ii) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, EVAL-  
18          UATION, AND MONITORING.—The Sec-  
19          retary may use a portion of the funds pro-  
20          vided under this paragraph to provide for  
21          the evaluation, monitoring, administration,  
22          and technical assistance described in sub-  
23          section (a)(3), with respect to the preven-  
24          tion projects.



1           “(H) REQUIREMENTS.—In establishing  
2           and operating a project under this paragraph,  
3           an organization shall—

4                   “(i) utilize evidence-informed preven-  
5                   tion project planning;

6                   “(ii) recognize and address the needs  
7                   of underserved populations, racial and eth-  
8                   nic minority groups, and individuals with  
9                   disabilities;

10                   “(iii) use not less than 30 percent or  
11                   more than 50 percent of awarded funds to  
12                   subcontract with local domestic violence  
13                   programs or other community-based pro-  
14                   grams to develop and implement such  
15                   projects;

16                   “(iv) in the case of a new grantee, use  
17                   the funds for up to 1 year for planning  
18                   and capacity building without subcon-  
19                   tracting as described in clause (iii); and

20                   “(v) use up to 8 percent of the funds  
21                   awarded under this paragraph to procure  
22                   technical assistance from a list of providers  
23                   approved by the Secretary and peer-to-peer  
24                   technical assistance from other grantees  
25                   under this paragraph.

1           “(I) REPORTS.—Each organization enter-  
2           ing into a cooperative agreement under this sec-  
3           tion shall submit a performance report to the  
4           Secretary at such time as shall be reasonably  
5           required by the Secretary. Such performance  
6           report shall describe activities that have been  
7           carried out with the funds made available  
8           through the agreement and the effectiveness of  
9           such activities, and provide such additional in-  
10          formation as the Secretary may reasonably re-  
11          quire. The Secretary shall make the evaluations  
12          received under this subparagraph publicly avail-  
13          able on the Department of Health and Human  
14          Services internet website, and shall submit such  
15          reports to the Committee on Health, Education,  
16          Labor, and Pensions of the Senate and the  
17          Committee on Education and Labor of the  
18          House of Representatives.

19          “(c) GRANTS TO EXPAND COMMUNITY-BASED PRI-  
20          MARY PREVENTION.—

21                 “(1) PROGRAM.—The Secretary shall establish  
22                 a grant program to expand the capacity of commu-  
23                 nities and systems to engage in effective prevention  
24                 efforts.

1           “(2) GRANTS.—The Secretary may award  
2 grants to eligible entities through the program es-  
3 tablished under paragraph (1) for periods of not  
4 more than 4 years. If the Secretary determines that  
5 an entity has received such a grant and been suc-  
6 cessful in meeting the objectives of the grant appli-  
7 cation so submitted, the Secretary may renew the  
8 grant for 1 additional period of not more than 4  
9 years.

10           “(3) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—To be eligible to re-  
11 ceive a grant under this section, an entity shall—

12           “(A) be a private nonprofit, nongovern-  
13 mental organization (which may include faith-  
14 based and charitable organizations) or a Tribal  
15 organization that is—

16           “(i) a community-based organization  
17 whose primary purpose is providing cul-  
18 turally competent services to racial and  
19 ethnic minority groups or other under-  
20 served populations; or

21           “(ii) a community-based organization  
22 with a program focused on serving youth  
23 or serving children and their parents or  
24 caregivers; and

1           “(B) have a demonstrated record of serv-  
2           ing victims of family violence, domestic violence,  
3           or dating violence, or demonstrate a partnership  
4           with another organization that has such a  
5           record.

6           “(4) APPLICATION.—An entity seeking a grant  
7           under this subsection shall submit an application to  
8           the Secretary at such time, in such manner, and  
9           containing such information as the Secretary may  
10          reasonably require, including—

11           “(A) a description of how the entity will  
12          develop, expand, or replicate evidence-informed  
13          primary prevention strategies and approaches in  
14          their communities, including culturally appro-  
15          priate prevention programming;

16           “(B) documents that the entity meets all  
17          of the applicable requirements set forth in this  
18          subsection; and

19           “(C) demonstrates the ability to conduct  
20          appropriately the prevention activities described  
21          in this section.

22           “(5) USE OF FUNDS.—An entity that receives  
23          a grant under this section shall use the grant funds  
24          to—

1           “(A) build their organizational capacity  
2           and enhance their leadership of the organiza-  
3           tion within the community to promote commu-  
4           nity engagement in and advancement of evi-  
5           dence-informed primary prevention of family vi-  
6           olence, domestic violence, or dating violence;

7           “(B) promote strategic prevention partner-  
8           ship development, including between any of do-  
9           mestic violence programs and health programs,  
10          early childhood programs, economic support  
11          programs, schools, child welfare programs,  
12          workforce development, culturally specific com-  
13          munity-based organizations, faith-based pro-  
14          grams, and youth programs;

15          “(C) support dissemination of prevention  
16          strategies and approaches throughout the State,  
17          territorial, and Tribal communities; and

18          “(D) use up to 5 percent of funds awarded  
19          under this section to procure technical assist-  
20          ance from a list of providers approved by the  
21          Secretary, from peer-to-peer technical assist-  
22          ance from other grantees under this section, or  
23          from both.

24          “(6) REPORTS AND EVALUATION.—Each entity  
25          receiving a grant under this section shall submit a

1 performance report to the Secretary at such time as  
2 shall be reasonably required by the Secretary. Such  
3 performance report shall describe the activities that  
4 have been carried out with such grant funds, contain  
5 an evaluation of the effectiveness of such activities,  
6 and provide such additional information as the Sec-  
7 retary may reasonably require.”.

8 **SEC. 18. ADDITIONAL GRANT PROGRAMS.**

9 The Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (42  
10 U.S.C. 10401 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end  
11 the following:

12 **“SEC. 315. GRANTS FOR UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS.**

13 “(a) PURPOSE.—It is the purpose of this section to  
14 provide grants to assist communities in mobilizing and or-  
15 ganizing resources in support of effective and sustainable  
16 programs that will prevent and address domestic violence  
17 experienced by underserved populations.

18 “(b) AUTHORITY TO AWARD GRANTS.—The Sec-  
19 retary, acting through the Director of the Division of  
20 Family Violence Prevention and Services, shall award ca-  
21 pacity building, implementation, and evaluation grants to  
22 eligible entities to assist in developing, implementing, and  
23 evaluating culturally and linguistically appropriate, com-  
24 munity-driven strategies to prevent and address domestic  
25 violence in underserved communities.

1       “(c) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—To be eligible to receive  
2 a grant under this section, an entity shall—

3               “(1) with respect to the programs under sub-  
4 sections (d) and (e), be—

5                       “(A) a population specific organization  
6 that has demonstrated experience and expertise  
7 in providing population specific services in the  
8 relevant underserved communities, or a popu-  
9 lation specific organization working in partner-  
10 ship with a victim service provider or domestic  
11 violence or sexual assault coalition; or

12                       “(B) a victim service provider offering pop-  
13 ulation-specific services for a specific under-  
14 served population; or

15               “(2) with respect to the program under sub-  
16 section (f), be an eligible entity described in para-  
17 graph (1) that is working in collaboration with an  
18 entity specializing in evaluation with documented ex-  
19 perience working with targeted underserved popu-  
20 lations;

21       “(d) CAPACITY BUILDING GRANTS.—

22               “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall award  
23 grants to eligible entities to support the capacity  
24 building, planning, and development of programs for  
25 underserved communities that utilize community-

1 driven intervention and prevention strategies that  
2 address the barriers to domestic violence services,  
3 raise awareness of domestic violence, and promote  
4 community engagement in the prevention of domes-  
5 tic violence in targeted underserved populations in  
6 the target community. Such grants may be used  
7 to—

8 “(A) expand the collaboration that is rep-  
9 resented by the eligible entity through the iden-  
10 tification of additional partners, particularly  
11 among targeted underserved communities, and  
12 establish linkages with national, State, Tribal,  
13 or local public and private partners, which may  
14 include community health workers, advocacy,  
15 and policy organizations;

16 “(B) establish community working groups;

17 “(C) conduct a needs assessment of tar-  
18 geted underserved populations to determine the  
19 barriers to access and factors contributing to  
20 such barriers, using input from targeted under-  
21 served communities;

22 “(D) participate in training and technical  
23 assistance sponsored by the Family Violence  
24 Prevention and Services program for program



1 development, implementation, evaluation, and  
2 other programmatic issues;

3 “(E) use up to 5 percent of funds awarded  
4 under this subsection to procure technical as-  
5 sistance from a list of providers approved by  
6 the Family Violence Prevention and Services  
7 program;

8 “(F) identify promising intervention and  
9 prevention strategies;

10 “(G) develop a plan with the input of tar-  
11 geted underserved communities that includes  
12 strategies for—

13 “(i) implementing intervention and  
14 prevention strategies that have the greatest  
15 potential for addressing the barriers to ac-  
16 cessing services, raising awareness of do-  
17 mestic violence, and promoting community  
18 engagement in the prevention of domestic  
19 violence within targeted underserved popu-  
20 lations;

21 “(ii) identifying other sources of rev-  
22 enue and integrating current and proposed  
23 funding sources to ensure long-term sus-  
24 tainability of the program; and

1                   “(iii) evaluating the program, includ-  
2                   ing collecting data and measuring progress  
3                   toward addressing domestic violence or  
4                   raising awareness of domestic violence in  
5                   targeted underserved populations; and

6                   “(H) conduct an evaluation of the planning  
7                   and development activities.

8                   “(2) DURATION.—The period during which  
9                   payments may be made under a grant under para-  
10                  graph (1) shall not exceed 2 years, except where the  
11                  Secretary determines that extraordinary cir-  
12                  cumstances exist.

13                  “(e) IMPLEMENTATION GRANTS.—

14                  “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall award  
15                  grants to eligible entities that have received a plan-  
16                  ning grant under subsection (d) or who already have  
17                  demonstrated experience and expertise in providing  
18                  population specific services in the relevant under-  
19                  served communities to enable such entities to—

20                         “(A) implement a plan including interven-  
21                         tion services or prevention strategies to address  
22                         the identified barrier or awareness issue or ini-  
23                         tiate the community engagement strategy for  
24                         targeted underserved populations, in an effec-  
25                         tive and timely manner;

1           “(B) collect data appropriate for moni-  
2           toring and evaluating the program carried out  
3           under the grant;

4           “(C) analyze and interpret data, or col-  
5           laborate with academic or other appropriate in-  
6           stitutions, for such analysis and collection;

7           “(D) participate in training for the pur-  
8           pose of informing and educating other entities  
9           regarding the experiences and lessons learned  
10          from the project;

11          “(E) collaborate with appropriate partners  
12          to disseminate information gained from the  
13          project for the benefit of other domestic vio-  
14          lence programs;

15          “(F) establish mechanisms with other pub-  
16          lic or private groups to maintain financial sup-  
17          port for the program after the grant termi-  
18          nates;

19          “(G) develop policy initiatives for systems  
20          change to address the barriers or awareness  
21          issue;

22          “(H) maintain relationships with local  
23          partners and continue to develop new relation-  
24          ships with national and State partners;

1           “(I) evaluate the implementation of the ac-  
2           tivities described in this paragraph; and

3           “(J) use up to 5 percent of funds awarded  
4           under this subsection to procure technical as-  
5           sistance from a list of providers approved by  
6           the Family Violence Prevention and Services  
7           program.

8           “(2) DURATION.—The Secretary shall award  
9           grants under this subsection for 3-year periods.

10          “(f) EVALUATION GRANTS.—

11           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may award  
12           grants to eligible entities that have received an im-  
13           plementation grant under subsection (e) and that re-  
14           quire additional assistance for the purpose of rig-  
15           orous data analysis, program evaluation (including  
16           process and outcome measures), or dissemination of  
17           findings.

18           “(2) PRIORITY.—In awarding grants under this  
19           subsection, the Secretary shall give priority to—

20           “(A) entities that in previous funding cy-  
21           cles—

22           “(i) have received a grant under sub-  
23           section (d); or

24           “(ii) established population specific  
25           organizations that have demonstrated ex-

1                   perience and expertise in providing popu-  
2                   lation-specific services in the relevant un-  
3                   derserved communities programs; and

4                   “(B) entities that incorporate best prac-  
5                   tices or build on successful models in their ac-  
6                   tion plan, including the use of community advo-  
7                   cates.

8                   “(3) DURATION.—The period during which  
9                   payments may be made under a grant under para-  
10                  graph (1) shall not exceed 2 years, except where the  
11                  Secretary determines that extraordinary cir-  
12                  cumstances exist.

13                  “(g) NONSUPPLANTATION.—Funds provided under  
14                  this section shall be used to supplement and not supplant  
15                  other Federal, State, and local public funds expended to  
16                  provide services and activities that promote the purposes  
17                  of this title.

18                  “(h) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, EVALUATION, AND  
19                  MONITORING.—

20                  “(1) IN GENERAL.—Of the funds appropriated  
21                  under this section for each fiscal year—

22                          “(A) up to 5 percent may be used by the  
23                          Secretary for evaluation, monitoring and other  
24                          administrative costs under this section; and



1 Administration on Children, Youth, and Families (referred  
2 to in this section as the ‘Director’), shall establish a grant  
3 program to establish or enhance culturally competent serv-  
4 ices for victims of domestic violence from racial and ethnic  
5 minority populations.

6 “(b) PURPOSES.—

7 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The purposes of the grant  
8 program under this section are to—

9 “(A) develop and support innovative cul-  
10 turally competent community-based programs  
11 to enhance access to shelter services or sup-  
12 portive services to further the purposes of fam-  
13 ily violence, domestic violence, and dating vio-  
14 lence intervention and prevention for all victims  
15 of family violence, domestic violence, or dating  
16 violence from racial and ethnic minority popu-  
17 lations who face obstacles to using more tradi-  
18 tional services and resources;

19 “(B) strengthen the capacity and further  
20 the leadership development of individuals in ra-  
21 cial and ethnic minority populations to address  
22 family violence, domestic violence, and dating  
23 violence in their communities; and

24 “(C) promote strategic partnership devel-  
25 opment and collaboration, including with health,

1 early childhood programs, economic support  
2 programs, schools, child welfare, workforce de-  
3 velopment, domestic violence programs, other  
4 community-based programs, faith-based pro-  
5 grams, and youth programs, in order to further  
6 a public health approach to addressing domestic  
7 violence and dating violence.

8 “(2) USE OF FUNDS.—

9 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Director shall  
10 award grants to programs based in the targeted  
11 community to establish or enhance domestic vi-  
12 olence and dating violence intervention and pre-  
13 vention efforts that address distinctive cul-  
14 turally competent responses to domestic vio-  
15 lence and dating violence in racial and ethnic  
16 minority populations.

17 “(B) NEW PROGRAMS.—In carrying out  
18 this section, the Secretary may award initial  
19 planning and capacity building grants to eligible  
20 entities that are establishing new programs in  
21 order to support the planning and development  
22 of culturally competent programs.

23 “(C) COMPETITIVE BASIS.—The Secretary  
24 shall ensure that grants are awarded, to the ex-  
25 tent practical, only on a competitive basis, and



1           that a grant is awarded for a proposal only if  
2           the proposal has been recommended for such an  
3           award through a process of peer review.

4           “(D) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—Up to 5  
5           percent of funds appropriated under this sec-  
6           tion for a fiscal year shall be available for tech-  
7           nical assistance to be used by the grantees to  
8           access training and technical assistance from  
9           organizations that have entered into a coopera-  
10          tive agreement with the Director to provide  
11          training and technical assistance regarding the  
12          provision of effective culturally competent, com-  
13          munity-based services for racial and ethnic mi-  
14          nority populations.

15          “(3) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING.—  
16          The Director shall enter into cooperative agreements  
17          or contracts with organizations having a dem-  
18          onstrated expertise in and whose primary purpose is  
19          addressing the development and provision of cul-  
20          turally competent community-based services to vic-  
21          tims of domestic violence and dating violence from  
22          the targeted populations to provide training and  
23          technical assistance for grantees.

24          “(c) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—To be eligible for a grant  
25          under this section, an entity shall—

1           “(1) be a private nonprofit, nongovernmental  
2 organization that is—

3                 “(A) a community-based organization  
4 whose primary purpose is providing culturally  
5 competent services to victims of domestic vio-  
6 lence and dating violence from racial and ethnic  
7 minority populations; or

8                 “(B) a community-based organization  
9 whose primary purpose is providing culturally  
10 competent services to individuals from racial  
11 and ethnic minority populations that can part-  
12 ner with an organization having demonstrated  
13 expertise in serving victims of domestic violence  
14 and dating violence; and

15           “(2) have a board of directors and staffing  
16 which is reflective of the targeted minority group.

17           “(d) CULTURAL COMPETENCY OF SERVICES.—The  
18 Secretary shall ensure that information and services pro-  
19 vided pursuant to this section are provided in the lan-  
20 guage, educational, and cultural context that is most ap-  
21 propriate for the individuals for whom the information and  
22 services are intended.

23           “(e) GRANT PERIOD.—The Director shall award  
24 grants for a 3-year period, with a possible extension of

1 another 2 years to further implementation of the projects  
2 under the grant.

3 “(f) NONEXCLUSIVITY.—Nothing in this section shall  
4 be interpreted to exclude linguistic and culturally specific  
5 community-based entities from applying for other sources  
6 of funding available under this title.

7 “(g) REPORTS AND EVALUATION.—Each entity re-  
8 ceiving funds under this section shall file a performance  
9 report at such times as requested by the Secretary describ-  
10 ing the activities that have been carried out with such  
11 grant funds and providing such additional information as  
12 the Secretary may require.”.

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