

KEY DECISION

POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR BEDFORDSHIRE

Title and Reference – PCC/D/045

Subject: Funded Organisations - Ministry of Justice ISVA, IDVA, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Ring Fenced Funding

Report of: Police and Crime Commissioner

Date: 27/06/2022

Summary

In April 2022 following the Spending Review, the Ministry of Justice (MoJ) announced a ring-fenced fund for services supporting victims of sexual violence and domestic abuse.

The total additional funding to Domestic Abuse (DA)/Sexual Violence (SV) services nationally, including funds previously awarded (2020 – 2021) and services to be commissioned from 2022-2025, was announced as £21.7m.

Overall this increases the MoJ's commitment to funding victim and witness services to £192m a year by 2025.

ISVA/IDVA

This round of funding was split in to two specific opportunities: a ringfenced allocation for Independent Sexual Violence Advisor (ISVA) and Independent Domestic Violence Advisor (IDVA) roles and a larger allocation for broader DA and SV support services.

The MoJ passed responsibility for the operating a transparent and competitive bidding process with providers to PCCs.

The outcome of the ISVA/IDVA Fund is detailed below. This is included for information as the decision for funding allocation was taken by the MoJ not by the OPCC.

The MoJ responded with notification of the following awards:

	Organisation/Post	FTE	Yr1 (22/23) pro-rata cost	Yr2 (23/24) cost	Yr3 (24/25) cost
1	Early Childhood Partnership (ECP)/ ISVA	1	£ 33,980	£ 50,970	£ 50,970
2	Embrace/ KIDVA	1	£ 49,000	£ 73,500	£ 73,500
Total		2	£ 82,980	£ 124,470	£ 124,470

DA/SV

The OPCC received bids for the DA/SV funding opportunity from 25 organisations totalling £1,779,012 (for year 1 of the 3 year fund).

These bids were reviewed, ranked in order of suitability and evidence of needs by member of the OPCC before return to the MoJ. It should be noted that at this stage the MoJ were due to make decision on the allocation of funding supported by the ranking submitted.

On the 24th of May 2022 the OPCC was notified by the MoJ that funding had been awarded with £475,923.02 per annum for 2022/23, 2023/24 and 2024/25, for DA/SV victim support services.

This equates to a total award of £1,427,769.06 over the 3 year period.

Following a comprehensive decision making process, including due diligence checks, a detailed local needs assessment and two independent reviews by different members of the OPCC, the following awards have been allocated:

Organisation	Details of Bid	Proposed Funding		
		Yr1 (22/23)	Yr2 (23/24)	Yr3 (24/25)
Early Childhood Partnership	1 community link worker for DA/SV services – Grade 4 £25,349 (Bedfordshire)	£25,349	£25,349	£25,349
Victim Support	SafeLives accredited elderly person IDVA training and no Recourse To Public Funding Hardship fund.	£18,000	£15,000	£15,000
Victim Support	Bedfordshire Male IDVA	£32,787	£39,795	£42,277
The Counselling Foundation	To support RASSO to provide Trauma informed counselling to 50 child victims a year and 100 Adult victims a year	£180,000	£180,000	£180,000
The Counselling Foundation	Translation services to provide counselling in multiple languages	£15,000	£15,000	£15,000
Luton All Women’s Centre	Domestic abuse/ sexual violence casework, delivered in Urdu, Bengali and Polish in face-to-face and/or online environments, supporting 150 women from across the whole of Bedfordshire.	£30,000	£30,000	£30,000

Living Your Life	Targeted counselling provision for: Adult survivors of non-recent childhood SV, Children harmed by sibling SV, CYPSV, Parents of child victims, Victims of SV within DA, Male victims of DA, Male Victims of SV, Victims of SV with additional addiction needs, Victims of SV with additional Mental Health needs, Victims with SV with additional learning needs	£96,363	£96,363	£96,363
Bedford Women's Centre/Family Groups Bedford	15 hours a week of a multilingual community, DA worker 35 hours a week of staffing hours to run an additional 50 sessions of DA support programmes (allowing for 2 daytime programmes and 1 evening).	£31,913	£31,913	£31,913
FDAC	Primary Mental Health Worker - additional 6 hours per week, per year providing increased capacity to deliver therapy. FDAC Psychologist – one additional day per week, per year providing increased capacity for clinical supervision to each FDAC team member to support trauma informed intervention with all victims.	£39,241	£39,241	£39,241
Total Funding		468,653	472,661	475,143

Recommendation

To note decision

Bedfordshire Police and Crime Commissioner

I hereby approve the recommendations above.

Signature:



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