



**City of Albuquerque Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Commission**

**Sexual Assault and Interpersonal Violence Support Services  
Funding Request Beginning FY2025 for City Administration and  
City Council**

**Project Overview:**

The Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Commission proposes increasing the allocation of funding specific to sexual assault and interpersonal violence support services to decrease the wait times for persons in need of services, increase the staff retention in high stress positions, improve efficiency of services, and increase number of clients served.

**Objectives:**

Funding recommendation should be included in the City Administrations final budget request for City Council approval for Fiscal Year 2025. The requested funds will be allocated as follows:

<b>Dollar Amount</b>	<b>Services Being Supported</b>	<b>Rationale</b>
\$789, 611	Bridge federal VOCA cuts (40-60% for programs)- will ensure services do not have to be decreased	Provides funding for staff and support services. If not funded, services to the community would decrease.
\$140,850	Direct assistance to beneficiaries	To address inflation-related cost-of-living needs for clients during crises/to address housing needs.
\$742,6277	Staffing including inflation-adjusted labor costs, and addition of SANE nurse	To address provider staff recruitment/retention and decrease high turnover, as well as increase number of staff. Ensures greater continuity of care, decreases wait time for services, and improves efficiency of operations.
\$72,500	Case Manager	Many agencies do not have adequate staffing to support the needs of clients, e.g. caseload of 1:60 or not accepting new clients - cost of one case manager including benefits - average length a client sees CM is 4 months, with best practice case load of 1:15 – 20 - <b>can be scaled</b>

		<b>to include other case managers for a multitude of agencies</b>
\$126,000	Database tracking client services	Increase functionality and reporting capabilities - better demonstrate services rendered and need in community
<b>Total Ask:</b>		<b>\$1,871,638</b>

- The funding increases provided by the City will be allocated to the Department of Health, Housing & Homelessness, who will follow social service procurement process for distribution of the funds.

**Benefits:**

Increase the impact of sexual assault and interpersonal violence support funder by the City of Albuquerque

**Timeline:**

The Commission initiated this request to the City Administration, to be included in the City’s budget request for City Council Approval, after unanimous approval on January 08, 2024. The funding increases provided by the City will be allocated to the Department of Health, Housing & Homelessness, who will follow social service procurement process for distribution of the funds for FY2025, beginning July 1, 2024.

**Conclusion:**

Your support for this funding request will increase the impact of and access to local sexual assault and interpersonal violence support services funded by the City of Albuquerque.