

STOP Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Recovery Act Grant

Purpose of Funds: To coordinate and integrate law enforcement, prosecution, judicial efforts, and victim services to identify and respond to crimes of violence against women, defined as domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence and stalking.

Receiving Department: Denver Police Department (DPD)

Amount: \$286,323

Type of Grant: State Competitive pass-through

Number of People Served: 3,000 *projected*

Public Process: Consultation with victim services agencies in development of project proposal

Proposed Spending: Funding for the *Denver Domestic Violence Patrol & Victim Services Project* will support two new part-time Victim Specialists in the Victim Assistance Unit and overtime for selected patrol officers that will participate in a one year pilot. This pilot enables immediate on-scene response from both patrol officers trained in domestic violence investigative strategies and victim specialists that will provide immediate intervention and victim services. Anticipated outcomes of this pilot include: Enhanced services for victims of domestic violence, An increased number of domestic violence cases accepted by the Denver District Attorney's Office, and An increase in domestic violence home visits and warrant arrests.

Project Director: Scott Snow, Director, Victim Assistance Unit