

CJAC Recommendations for Victims of Crime Act Formula Grant Program (VA) FY2025-2026								
CJAC Ranking #	CJAC Score #	Grant #	Jurisdiction/Entity	Project Title	Req. Org. Amount	Req. Adjusted Amount	CJAC Recommendations	CJAC Comments
1	92.44	3372609	City of Raymondville	Victims of Crime Program	\$52,725.00	\$52,725.00	\$52,725.00	fund as recommended
2	92.00	2106415	Willacy County	DA Victims Assistance Unit	\$177,924.00	\$174,724.00	\$174,724.00	fund as recommended
3	91.61	3056908	City of Pecos	Pecos Crime Victims Liaison 2025	\$36,272.00	\$36,052.00	\$36,052.00	fund as recommended
4	90.94	4499304	Willacy County	Crime Victim Liaison	\$47,079.80	\$47,079.80	\$47,079.80	fund as recommended
5	90.61	2555211	City of Harlingen	Crime Victim Liaison	\$45,884.00	\$45,884.00	\$45,884.00	fund as recommended
6	90.11	1365125	Friendship of Women	Victims' Advocacy & Intervention	\$349,873.28	\$349,873.28	\$349,873.28	fund as recommended
7	89.83	4429504	City of Edinburg	General Victim Assistance Grant - Crime Victim Liaison	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	fund as recommended
8	89.50	4218505	Hidalgo County	Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office Victim Assistance Program	\$87,683.28	\$87,683.28	\$87,683.28	fund as recommended
9	89.16	5541001	City of La Joya	Victims of Crime Act Formula Grant Program	\$47,720.00	\$47,389.86	\$47,389.86	fund as recommended
10	89.11	3388008	Children's Bereavement Center of the RGV	Beyond Violence Rio Grande Valley	\$99,432.00	\$96,982.00	\$96,982.00	fund as recommended
11	88.94/85.44	4196605	City of Alton	Crime Victims Liaison Program	\$47,701.38	\$47,701.38	\$47,701.38	fund as recommended
12	88.94/80	1674121	Cameron County	Victim Assistance Program (VOCA)	\$664,489.11	\$615,433.62	\$615,433.62	fund as recommended
13	88.83	2430514	City of Pharr	Human Trafficking & Crime Victims Liaison Project	\$45,000.00	\$135,000.00	\$45,000.00	fund as recommended
14	88.72	1363025	Family Crisis Center	Victim Assistance Program	\$132,654.00	\$132,654.00	\$132,654.00	fund as recommended
15	88.27	4831102	City of Mission	City of Mission Victim's Assistance Services	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	fund as recommended
16	87.88/78.72	3814607	City of Weslaco	Crime Victim Coordinator	\$100,082.07	\$99,894.07	\$99,894.07	fund as recommended
17	87.88/78.5	2987309	City of Pharr	Crime Victims Liaison Project	\$90,000.00	\$90,000.00	\$90,000.00	fund as recommended
18	87.55	4966202	City of Brownsville	Victims Assistance	\$99,465.12	\$99,465.12	\$99,465.12	fund as recommended
19	86.94	3801607	City of Donna	Crime Victims Liaison	\$66,022.60	\$61,701.60	\$61,701.60	fund as recommended
20	86.83	1377825	Women Together Foundation	Crime Victims Advocacy Project	\$584,358.00	\$584,358.00	\$584,358.00	fund as recommended
21	86.66	2924308	Hidalgo County	Hidalgo County DA's Office-Victim Assistance Program	\$1,268,855.43	\$1,268,855.43	\$1,268,855.43	fund as recommended
22	86.27	2873509	RGV-Families & Friends of Murdered Children	Living in the Face of Trauma (Lift) Survivors of Homicide Project	\$137,762.00	\$137,762.00	\$137,762.00	fund as recommended
23	84.83	3057408	City of Sullivan City	Sullivan City Crime Victims Liaison	\$115,500.00	\$37,125.00	\$37,125.00	fund as recommended
24	83.27	4231505	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	South Texas Advocacy Project	\$199,000.00	\$194,696.00	\$194,696.00	fund as recommended
25	81.22	5486101	Angels of Love	Direct Legal Services Project	\$388,954.50	\$388,954.50	\$142,151.18	fund as recommended, if additional funding is available, allocate to remaining projects
26	80.22	4432204	Rio Grande Valley Empowerment Zone Corp	Victim Services Unit	\$261,753.51	\$261,753.51	\$0.00	fund as recommended, if additional funding is available, allocate to remaining projects
				Total:	\$5,226,191.08	\$5,173,747.45		

Conditionally approved amounts and equipment is subject to available funding from the Governor's Public Safety Office. The Governor's Public Safety Office retains final determination on funding allocations for all projects.

Total Applications	26
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Recommendations	\$4,575,190.62	Projected Amount
Remaining	\$0.00	\$4,575,190.62



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Resolution: Victims of Crime Act Formula Grant (VA) Grant for FY 2025-2026

WHEREAS, the Criminal Justice Division of the Governor's Office of the State of Texas received a budget allocation for the fiscal year 2025-2026 for the Victims of Crime Act Formula (VA) Grant in the total amount of \$4,575,190.62 funding 25 projects.

WHEREAS, the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee and the LRGVDC Board of Directors has recommended the list of priorities for available funds in the category of Victims of Crime Act Formula Grants in the total amount of \$4,575,190.62

WHEREAS, these applications serve Cameron, Hidalgo, and Willacy County agencies and therefore their populations.

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Criminal Justice Division of the Governor's Office guidelines, the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee has reviewed and prioritized each application received and therefore recommends the list as presented to the LRGVDC Board of Directors.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the LRGVDC Board of Directors approves submission of the grant applications as follows:

Section 1: The list of priorities is adopted as the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council FY 2025-2026 for the Victims of Crime Act Formula (VA) Grant in the total amount of \$4,575,190.62

Section 2: The attached list by applicant and title has received favorable review under the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee requirements and strong recommendation for funding.

Section 3: The LRGVDC Board of Directors is authorized to submit the priority list to the Office of the Governor's Criminal Justice Division.

Passed and approved this 30th day of April 2025.
Signed by:

The Honorable Mayor Norma Sepulveda, LRGVDC President