

Department: County Human Services **Program Contact:** Peggy Samolinski
Program Offer Type: Innovative/New Program **Program Offer Stage:** As Requested
Related Programs: 25050A
Program Characteristics: Out of Target

Executive Summary

Immigrants and refugees experiencing domestic and sexual violence need specialized support to navigate the legal system. Domestic Violence Immigration Legal Services provides legal consultation to survivors of domestic and sexual violence who seek services at the Gateway Center for Domestic Violence Services. Immigration Legal Services provides on-site intake services one day each week to consult with survivors. Subsequently, survivors are chosen for ongoing representation to access visas or other immigration relief.

Program Summary

ISSUE: Survivors of domestic and sexual violence who are immigrants often qualify for immigration legal relief based on their status as survivors of crime or domestic violence. However, gaining access to these protections can be complex and many survivors struggle with the process. Access to immigration lawyers helps ensure survivors are able to leave abusive relationships without fear of deportation being used in retaliation for leaving the abuse.

PROGRAM GOAL: Provide Immigration legal Advice and representation to survivors of domestic and sexual violence seeking services at the Gateway Center for Domestic Violence Services.

PROGRAM ACTIVITIES: Engage legal services partner to provide legal consultation and intake services one day a week at the Gateway Center for Domestic Violence Services. An attorney with expertise in immigration law will work at the Gateway Center once a week. Front line advocates (“navigators”) will recommend legal consultations for survivors who are concerned about their immigration status. Legal services partner will consider each survivor for ongoing representation. When a survivor qualifies for immigration legal relief based on their status as a domestic violence survivor, a crime victim, or a victim.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY20 Actual	FY21 Budgeted	FY21 Estimate	FY22 Offer
Output	Number of domestic violence and/or sexual assault survivors seen at intake for legal consultation	N/A	40	40	80
Outcome	Number of retained cases with immigration relief actions filed by legal service attorneys	N/A	N/A	N/A	25

Performance Measures Descriptions

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Requested General Fund	Requested Other Funds
Program Expenses	2021	2021	2022	2022
Contractual Services	\$0	\$0	\$60,000	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$0	\$60,000	\$0
Program Total:	\$0		\$60,000	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: