

# TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

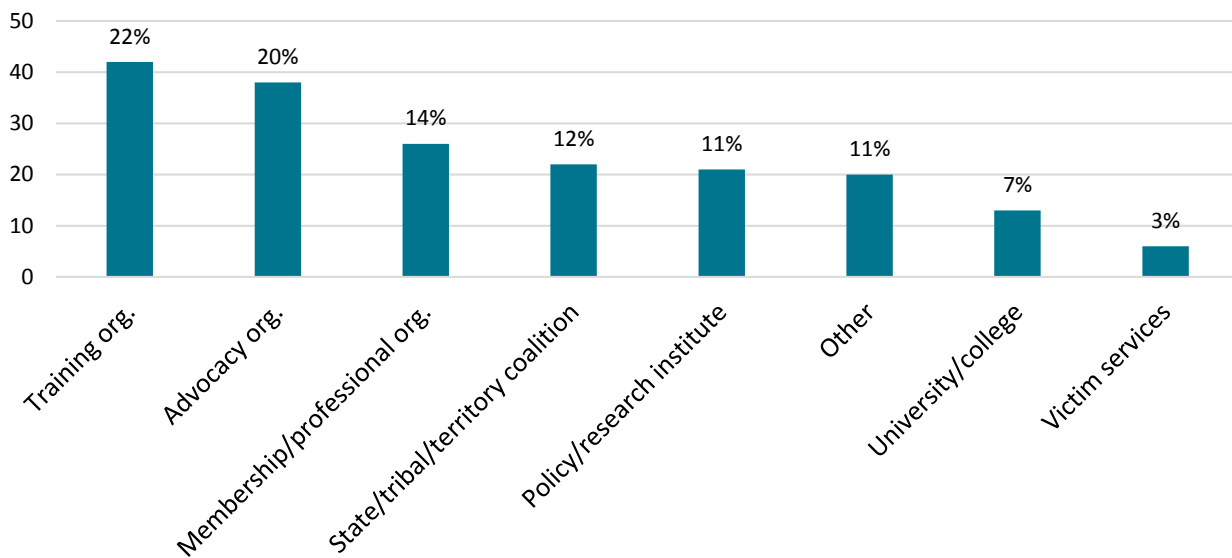
## Technical Assistance Grant Program

January – June 2017

The Technical Assistance (TA) Program provides VAWA grantees with training, expertise, and problem-solving strategies to address the diverse needs of victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking. TA providers are national, tribal, or statewide agencies; or governmental, academic, or other nonprofit organizations with the capacity to provide nationwide training and technical assistance.<sup>1,2</sup>

- **188** grantees reported this period.

### Type of lead organization providing technical assistance<sup>3</sup>



<sup>1</sup> This report contains selected data submitted by Technical Assistance grantees on a semi-annual progress report.

<sup>2</sup> Throughout this document, the sum of percentages may not equal 100 due to rounding.

<sup>3</sup> Other responses include: Culturally specific agency, faith-based legal immigration services organization, National Indian Resource Center, national organization, non-governmental fiscal sponsor for a faith-based organization, non-profit, resource center focusing on Alaska Native Tribes/organizations, sexual assault task force, TA, training & government liaison, transgender anti-violence organization, and Tribal TA.

## Areas most frequently addressed by Technical Assistance Projects:

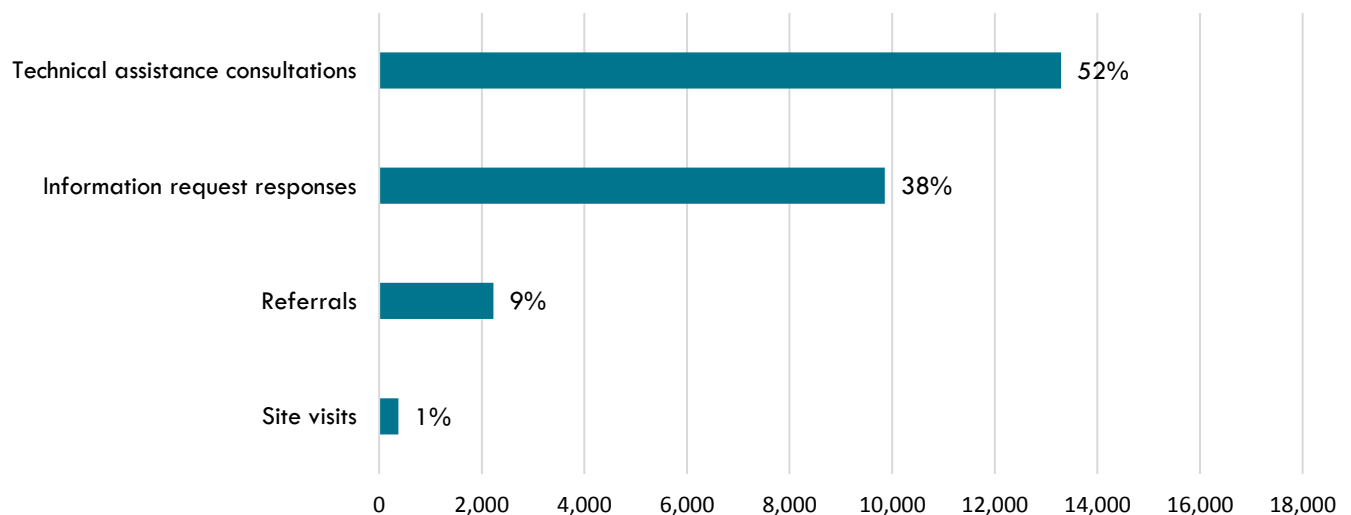
- Sexual assault: **151**
- Domestic violence: **140**
- Stalking: **109**
- Dating violence: **107**
- Underserved populations: **99**
- Criminal/civil justice: **69**
- Courts: **61**
- Law enforcement: **60**
- Tribal issues: **40**
- Probation: **33**

## TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

TA providers deliver technical assistance through site visits, consultations, information request responses, and referrals. Assistance may include guidance on developing, revising, and implementing policies, protocols, and procedures; building a coordinated community response and community support; and overcoming barriers to effective service delivery.

- **149** grantees used funds to provide technical assistance (79% of all grantees reporting).

## Technical assistance activities provided



## Topics on which grantees most frequently provided technical assistance:

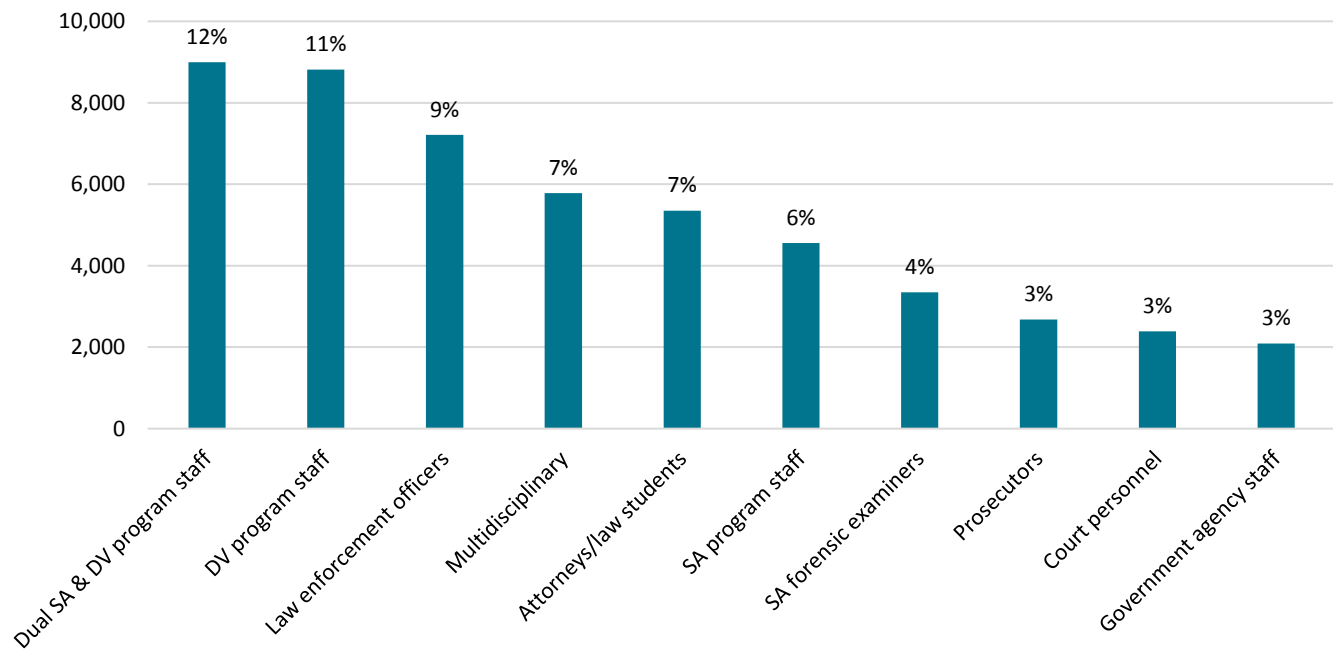
- Curricula and training issues;
- Policy/protocol development;
- Collaboration;
- Coordinated community response;
- Response to domestic violence victims;
- Response to sexual assault victims;
- Program development;
- Developing or enhancing culturally and linguistically appropriate services for underserved populations;
- Data collection; and
- Law enforcement response.

## TRAINING

TA providers offer training to other VAWA grantees so that they can enhance services for victims of domestic/sexual violence, improve offender accountability, and promote coordinated community responses to reduce violence.

- **137** grantees used funds for training (73% of all grantees reporting).
- **77,148** professionals attended **1,068** events.

## Types of professionals most frequently trained



## Topics on which grantees most frequently provided training:

- Advocate response;
- Coordinated community response;
- Law enforcement response;
- Sexual assault overview, dynamics, and services;
- Domestic violence overview, dynamics, and services;
- Outreach to underserved populations;
- Safety planning for victims;
- Confidentiality;
- Issues specific to victims who live in rural areas; and
- Discrimination and oppression issues.

## STAFF

Grant-funded staff provide training, consultation, and information to service providers about responding to victims of domestic/sexual violence and holding offenders accountable.

- **180** grantees used funds for staff (96% of all grantees reporting).
- **287** full-time equivalent (FTE) staff were funded this period.