

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

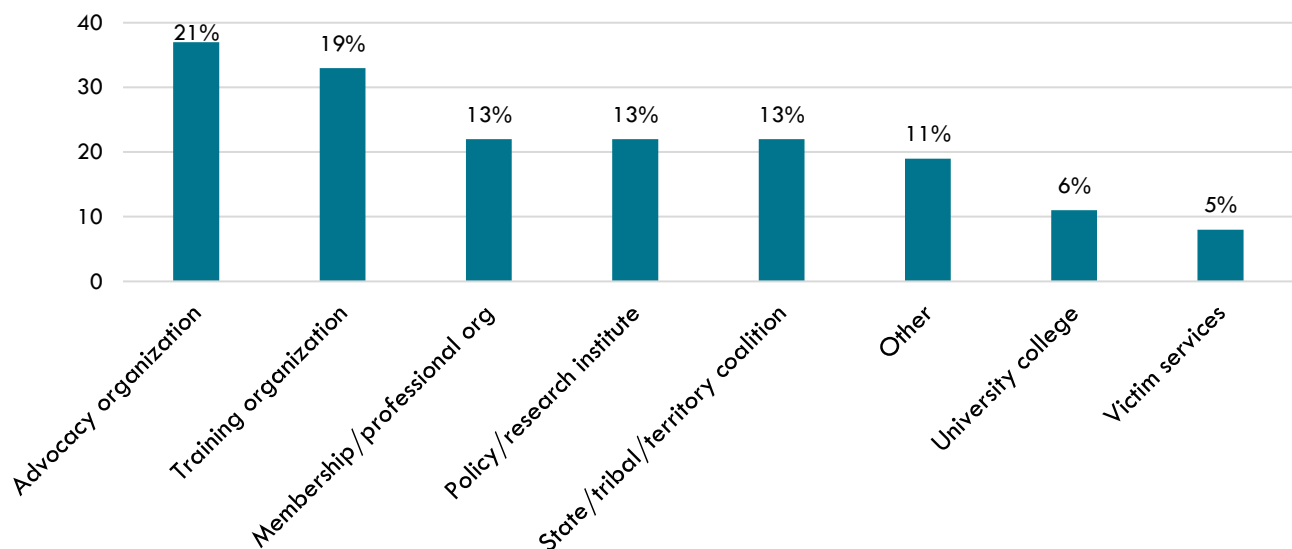
Technical Assistance Grant Program

July – December 2017

The Technical Assistance (TA) Program provides VAWA projects 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.^{1,2}

- **174** projects reported this period.

Type of lead organization providing technical assistance³



¹ This report contains selected data submitted by Technical Assistance projects on a semi-annual progress report.

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

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

Areas most frequently addressed by TA Projects:

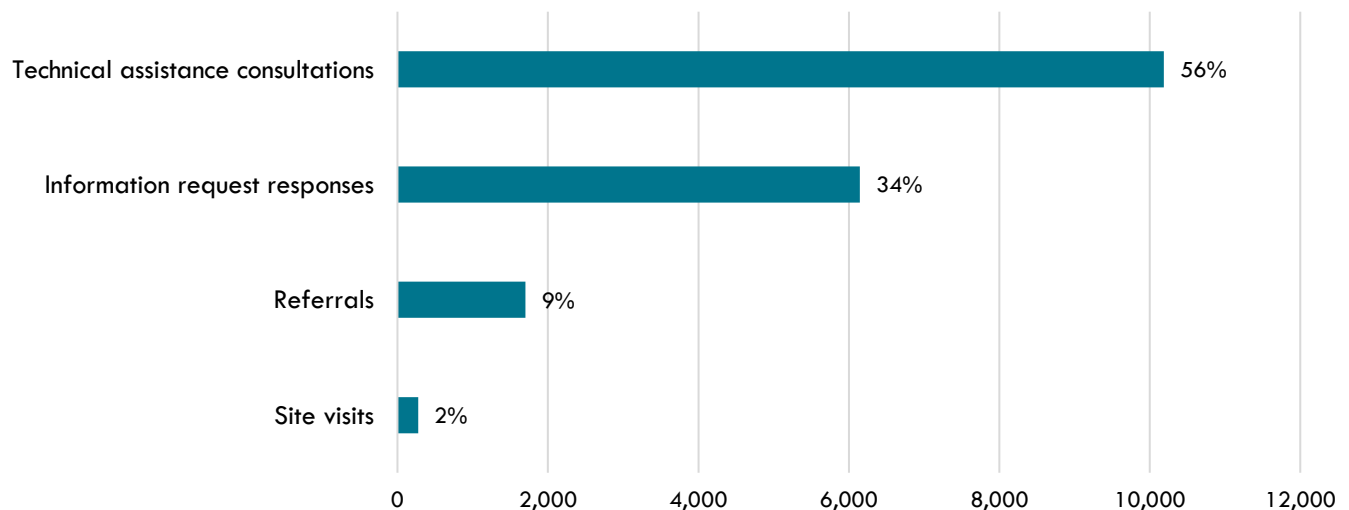
- Sexual assault: **144**
- Domestic violence: **137**
- Stalking: **103**
- Dating violence: **102**
- Underserved populations: **89**
- Criminal/civil justice: **62**
- Courts: **53**
- Law enforcement: **53**
- Tribal issues: **38**
- Probation: **27**

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.

- **135** projects used funds to provide technical assistance (78% of all projects reporting).

Technical assistance activities provided



Topics on which the most TA projects provided technical assistance:

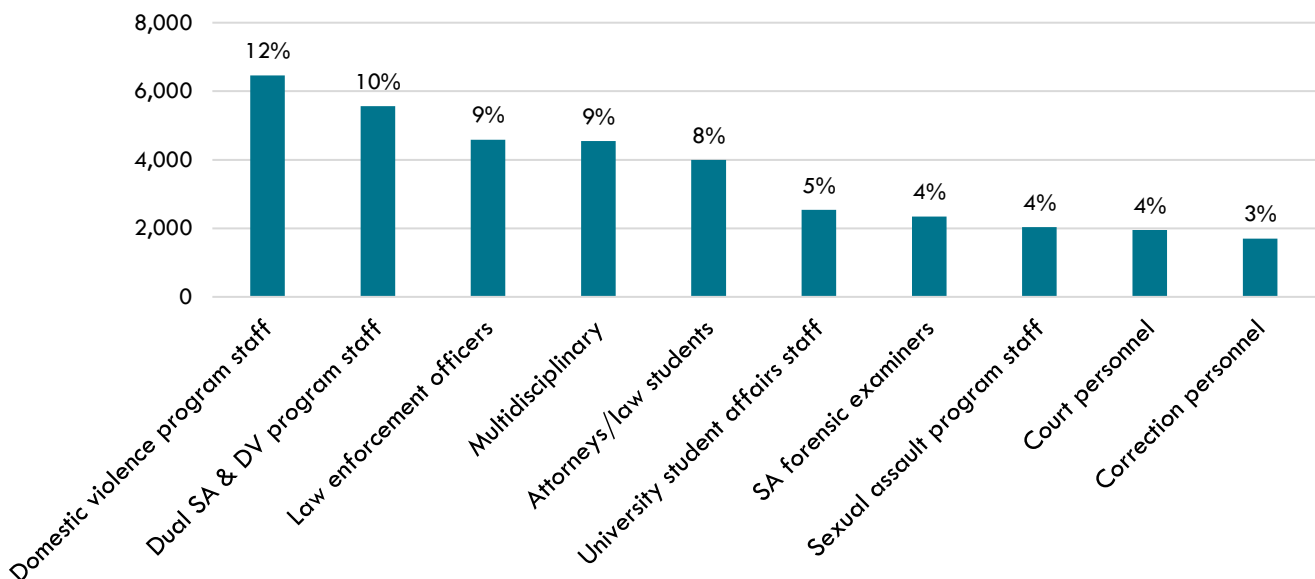
- Response to domestic violence victims;
- Collaboration;
- Curricula and training issues;
- Policy/protocol development;
- Program development;
- Response to sexual assault victims;
- Coordinated community response;
- Developing or enhancing culturally and linguistically appropriate services for underserved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

TRAINING

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

- **126** projects used funds for training (72% of all projects reporting).
- **53,230** professionals attended **922** events.

Types of professionals most frequently trained



Topics on which the most TA projects provided training:

- Coordinated community response;
- Domestic violence overview, dynamics, and services;
- Advocate response;
- Outreach to underserved populations;
- Safety planning for victims;
- Confidentiality;
- Issues specific to victims who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or intersex;
- Law enforcement response;
- 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.

- **166** projects used funds for staff (95% of all projects reporting).
- **254** full-time equivalent (FTE) staff were funded this period.