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To amend the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act to make improvements.

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Mr. CASEY (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; REFERENCES IN ACT.**

4 (a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This Act may be cited as the
5 “Family Violence Prevention and Services Improvement
6 Act of 2019”.

7 (b) **REFERENCES.**—Except as otherwise specified,
8 amendments made by this Act to a section or other provi-
9 sion of law are amendments to such section or other provi-

1 sion of the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act
2 (42 U.S.C. 10401 et seq.).

3 **SEC. 2. PURPOSE.**

4 Subsection (b) of section 301 (42 U.S.C. 10401) is
5 amended to read as follows:

6 “(b) PURPOSE.—It is the purpose of this title to im-
7 prove services and interventions and advance primary and
8 secondary prevention of family violence, domestic violence,
9 and dating violence by—

10 “(1) assisting States and territories in sup-
11 porting local family violence programs to provide ac-
12 cessible, trauma-informed, culturally relevant resi-
13 dential and non-residential services to domestic vio-
14 lence victims and their children and dependents;

15 “(2) strengthening the capacity of Indian
16 Tribes to exercise their sovereign authority to re-
17 spond to family violence committed against Indians;

18 “(3) providing for a network of technical assist-
19 ance and training centers to support effective policy,
20 practice, research, and cross-system collaboration to
21 improve intervention and prevention efforts through-
22 out the country;

23 “(4) supporting the efforts of State, territorial,
24 and Tribal coalitions to document and address the
25 needs of victims and their children and dependents,

1 including victims and their children and dependents
2 who are underserved, implement effective coordi-
3 nated community and systems responses, and pro-
4 mote ongoing public education and community en-
5 gagement;

6 “(5) maintaining national domestic violence
7 hotlines, including a national Indian domestic vio-
8 lence hotline; and

9 “(6) supporting the development and implemen-
10 tation of evidence-informed, coalition-led, and com-
11 munity-based primary prevention approaches and
12 programs.”.

13 **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

14 Section 302 (42 U.S.C. 10402) is amended—

15 (1) by amending paragraph (2) to read as fol-
16 lows:

17 “(2) **DATING PARTNER.**—The term ‘dating
18 partner’ means any person who is or has been in a
19 social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature
20 with a victim, and where the existence of such a re-
21 lationship shall be determined based on a consider-
22 ation of—

23 “(A) the length of the relationship;

24 “(B) the type of the relationship; and

1 “(C) the frequency of interaction between
2 the persons involved in the relationship.”;

3 (2) by striking paragraphs (3) and (4);

4 (3) by inserting after paragraph (2) the fol-
5 lowing:

6 “(3) DIGITAL SERVICES.—The term ‘digital
7 services’ means services, resources, information, sup-
8 port, or referrals provided through electronic com-
9 munications platforms and media, which may in-
10 clude mobile phone technology, video technology,
11 computer technology (including use of the internet),
12 and any other emerging communications tech-
13 nologies that are appropriate for the purposes of
14 providing services, resources, information, support,
15 or referrals for the benefit of victims of domestic vio-
16 lence, dating violence, or family violence.

17 “(4) DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, DATING VIOLENCE,
18 FAMILY VIOLENCE.—The terms ‘domestic violence’,
19 ‘dating violence’, and ‘family violence’ mean any act,
20 threatened act, or pattern of acts of physical or sex-
21 ual violence, stalking, harassment, psychological
22 abuse, economic abuse, technological abuse, or any
23 other form of abuse, including threatening to com-
24 mit harm against children or dependents or other
25 members of the household of the recipient of the

1 threat for the purpose of coercion, threatening, or
2 causing harm, directed against—

3 “(A) a dating partner or other person
4 similarly situated to a dating partner under the
5 laws of the jurisdiction;

6 “(B) a person who is cohabitating with or
7 has cohabitated with the person committing
8 such an act;

9 “(C) a current or former spouse or other
10 person similarly situated to a spouse under the
11 laws of the jurisdiction;

12 “(D) a person who shares a child or de-
13 pendent in common with the person committing
14 such an act; or

15 “(E) any other person who is protected
16 from any such act under the domestic or family
17 violence laws, policies, or regulations of the ju-
18 risdiction.”;

19 (4) by amending paragraph (5) to read as fol-
20 lows:

21 “(5) INDIAN; INDIAN TRIBE; TRIBAL ORGANIZA-
22 TION.—The terms ‘Indian’, ‘Indian Tribe’, and
23 ‘Tribal organization’ have the meanings given the
24 terms ‘Indian’, ‘Indian tribe’, and ‘tribal organiza-
25 tion’, respectively, in section 4 of the Indian Self-De-

1 termination and Education Assistance Act (25
2 U.S.C. 5304).”;

3 (5) by—

4 (A) redesignating paragraphs (13) and
5 (14) as paragraphs (17) and (18), respectively;

6 (B) redesignating paragraphs (8) through
7 (12) as paragraphs (11) through (15), respec-
8 tively; and

9 (C) redesignating paragraphs (6) and (7)
10 as paragraphs (7) and (8), respectively;

11 (6) by inserting after paragraph (5) the fol-
12 lowing:

13 “(6) INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.—
14 The term ‘institution of higher education’ has the
15 meaning given such term in section 101 of the High-
16 er Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001).”;

17 (7) in paragraph (8), as so redesignated, by
18 striking “42 U.S.C. 13925(a)” and inserting “34
19 U.S.C. 12291(a)”;

20 (8) by inserting after paragraph (8) the fol-
21 lowing:

22 “(9) POPULATION SPECIFIC SERVICES.—The
23 term ‘population specific services’ has the meaning
24 given such term in section 40002(a) of the Violence
25 Against Women Act (34 U.S.C. 12291(a)).

1 “(10) RACIAL AND ETHNIC MINORITY GROUP.—
2 The term ‘racial and ethnic minority group’ has the
3 meaning given such term in section 1707(g) of the
4 Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300u–6(g)).”;

5 (9) by amending paragraph (12), as so redesign-
6 nated, to read as follows:

7 “(12) SHELTER.—The term ‘shelter’ means the
8 provision of temporary refuge and basic necessities,
9 in conjunction with supportive services, provided on
10 a regular basis, in compliance with applicable State,
11 Tribal, territorial, or local law to victims of family
12 violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, and
13 their children and dependents. Such law includes
14 regulations governing the provision of safe homes
15 and other forms of secure temporary lodging, meals,
16 or supportive services (including providing basic ne-
17 cessities) to victims of family violence, domestic vio-
18 lence, or dating violence, and their children and de-
19 pendents.”;

20 (10) in paragraph (14), as so redesignated—

21 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph
22 (C), by inserting “, designated by the Sec-
23 retary,” after “organization”; and

1 (B) in subparagraph (C), by striking “de-
2 pendents” and inserting “children and depend-
3 ents”;

4 (11) in paragraph (15), as so redesignated, by
5 striking “dependents” each place it appears and in-
6 serting “children and dependents”;

7 (12) by inserting after paragraph (15), as so
8 redesignated, the following:

9 “(16) TRIBAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COALI-
10 TION.—The term ‘Tribal domestic violence coalition’
11 means an established nonprofit, nongovernmental
12 Indian organization that—

13 “(A) provides education, support, and tech-
14 nical assistance to member Indian service pro-
15 viders in a manner that enables the member
16 providers to establish and maintain culturally
17 appropriate services, including shelter (includ-
18 ing supportive services) designed to assist In-
19 dian victims of family violence, domestic vio-
20 lence, or dating violence and the children and
21 dependents of such victims; and

22 “(B) is comprised of members that are
23 representative of—

24 “(i) the member service providers de-
25 scribed in subparagraph (A); and

1 “(ii) the Tribal communities in which
2 the services are being provided.”;

3 (13) in paragraph (17), as so redesignated—

4 (A) by striking “tribally” and inserting
5 “Tribally”;

6 (B) by striking “tribal” and inserting
7 “Tribal”; and

8 (C) by striking “tribe” each place it ap-
9 pears and inserting “Tribe”; and

10 (14) by striking paragraph (18), as so redesign-
11 ated, and inserting the following:

12 “(18) UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS AND UN-
13 DERSERVED INDIVIDUALS.—The terms ‘underserved
14 populations’ and ‘underserved individuals’ mean vic-
15 tims of domestic violence, dating violence, or family
16 violence, and their children and dependents who face
17 obstacles in accessing and using State, Tribal, terri-
18 torial, or local domestic violence, dating violence, or
19 family violence services, and who may be overrepre-
20 sented due to historical barriers. Populations may be
21 underserved on the basis of, marginalized racial and
22 ethnic minority populations, Indigenous status, cul-
23 tural and language barriers, immigration status,
24 physical, sensory, or cognitive disabilities, mental
25 disabilities or other mental health needs, sexual ori-

1 entation or gender identity, age (including both el-
 2 ders and minors), geographical location, faith or reli-
 3 gious practice, or other bases, as determined by the
 4 Secretary, under the Family Violence Prevention
 5 and Services Act program carried out under this
 6 title.

7 “(19) CHILD.—The term ‘child’ means an indi-
 8 vidual who is—

9 “(A) younger than age 18; and

10 “(B) not an emancipated minor.”.

11 **SEC. 4. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

12 The Act is amended by repealing section 303 (42
 13 U.S.C. 10403) and inserting the following:

14 **“SEC. 303. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

15 “(a) APPLICATION.—This section shall apply for any
 16 fiscal year before the first fiscal year for which the amount
 17 appropriated to carry out the provisions specified in sub-
 18 section (b) is not less than \$185,000,000.

19 “(b) AUTHORIZATIONS.—

20 “(1) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized to be
 21 appropriated to carry out sections 301 through 312,
 22 \$252,300,000 for each of fiscal years 2020 through
 23 2024.

24 “(2) RESERVATION FOR GRANTS TO TRIBES.—

25 Of the amounts appropriated under paragraph (1)

1 for a fiscal year, 10 percent shall be reserved and
2 used to carry out section 309.

3 “(3) FORMULA GRANTS TO STATES.—Of the
4 amounts appropriated under paragraph (1) for a fis-
5 cal year and not reserved under paragraph (2) (re-
6 ferred to in this subsection as the ‘remainder’), not
7 less than 75 percent shall be used for making grants
8 under section 306(a).

9 “(4) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING
10 CENTERS.—Of the remainder, not less than 6 per-
11 cent shall be used to carry out section 310.

12 “(5) GRANTS FOR STATE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
13 COALITIONS.—Of the remainder, not less than 10
14 percent shall be used to carry out section 311.

15 “(6) SPECIALIZED SERVICES.—Of the remain-
16 der, not less than 5 percent shall be used to carry
17 out section 312.

18 “(7) ADMINISTRATION, EVALUATION, AND MON-
19 ITORING.—Of the remainder, not more than 4 per-
20 cent shall be used by the Secretary for evaluation,
21 monitoring, and other administrative costs under
22 this title.

23 “(c) TRIBAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COALITIONS.—
24 There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out section

1 311A \$7,500,000 for each of fiscal years 2020 through
2 2024.

3 “(d) NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE.—
4 There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out section
5 313 \$10,250,000 for each of fiscal years 2020 through
6 2024.

7 “(e) NATIONAL INDIAN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOT-
8 LINE.—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry
9 out section 313A \$2,500,000 for each of fiscal years 2020
10 through 2024.

11 “(f) DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION ENHANCE-
12 MENT AND LEADERSHIP THROUGH ALLIANCES.—There
13 is authorized to be appropriated to carry out section 314
14 \$26,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2020 through 2024.

15 “(g) GRANTS FOR UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS.—
16 There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out section
17 315 \$10,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2020 through
18 2024.

19 “(h) GRANTS FOR CULTURALLY SPECIFIC SERV-
20 ICES.—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out
21 section 316 \$6,250,000 for each of fiscal years 2020
22 through 2024.

23 **“SEC. 303A. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

24 “(a) APPLICATION.—This section shall apply for—

1 “(1) the first fiscal year for which the amount
2 appropriated to carry out the provisions specified in
3 subsection (b) is not less than \$185,000,000; and

4 “(2) each subsequent fiscal year.

5 “(b) AUTHORIZATION.—

6 “(1) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized to be
7 appropriated to carry out sections 301 through 312
8 and 316, \$250,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2020
9 through 2024.

10 “(2) RESERVATIONS FOR GRANTS TO TRIBES.—

11 Of the amounts appropriated under paragraph (1)
12 for a fiscal year, 12.5 percent shall be reserved and
13 used to carry out section 309.

14 “(3) FORMULA GRANTS TO STATES.—Of the

15 amounts appropriated under paragraph (1) for a fis-
16 cal year and not reserved under paragraph (2) (re-
17 ferred to in this subsection as the ‘remainder’), not
18 less than 70 percent shall be used for making grants
19 under section 306(a).

20 “(4) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING

21 CENTERS.—Of the remainder, not less than 6 per-
22 cent shall be used to carry out section 310.

23 “(5) GRANTS FOR STATE AND TRIBAL DOMES-

24 TIC VIOLENCE COALITIONS.—Of the remainder—

1 “(A) not less than 10 percent shall be used
2 to carry out section 311; and

3 “(B) not less than 3 percent shall be used
4 to carry out section 311A.

5 “(6) SPECIALIZED SERVICES.—Of the remain-
6 der, not less than 5 percent shall be used to carry
7 out section 312.

8 “(7) CULTURALLY SPECIFIC SERVICES.—Of the
9 remainder, not less 2.5 percent shall be used to
10 carry out section 316.

11 “(8) ADMINISTRATION, EVALUATION, AND MON-
12 ITORING.—Of the remainder, not more than 3.5 per-
13 cent shall be used by the Secretary for evaluation,
14 monitoring, and other administrative costs under
15 this title.

16 “(c) NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE.—
17 There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out section
18 313 \$10,250,000 for each of fiscal years 2020 through
19 2024.

20 “(d) NATIONAL INDIAN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOT-
21 LINE.—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry
22 out section 313A \$2,500,000 for each of fiscal years 2020
23 through 2024.

24 “(e) DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION ENHANCE-
25 MENT AND LEADERSHIP THROUGH ALLIANCES.—There

1 is authorized to be appropriated to carry out section 314
2 \$26,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2020 through 2024.

3 “(f) GRANTS FOR UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS.—
4 There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out section
5 315 \$10,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2020 through
6 2024.”.

7 **SEC. 5. AUTHORITY OF SECRETARY.**

8 Section 304 (42 U.S.C. 10404) is amended—

9 (1) in subsection (a)—

10 (A) in paragraph (3), by inserting “or in-
11 stitutions of higher education, including to sup-
12 port and evaluate demonstration or discre-
13 tionary projects in response to current and
14 emerging issues,” after “nongovernmental enti-
15 ties”; and

16 (B) in paragraph (4), by striking “CAPTA
17 Reauthorization Act of 2010” and inserting
18 “Family Violence Prevention and Services Im-
19 provement Act of 2019”; and

20 (2) in subsection (b)—

21 (A) in paragraph (2), by striking “preven-
22 tion and treatment of” inserting “prevention of,
23 intervention in, and treatment of,”; and

24 (B) in paragraph (3)—

1 (i) in subparagraph (B), by striking “;
2 and” and inserting a semicolon; and

3 (ii) by adding after subparagraph (C)
4 the following:

5 “(D) making grants to eligible entities or
6 entering into contracts with for-profit or non-
7 profit nongovernmental entities or institutions
8 of higher education to conduct domestic vio-
9 lence research or evaluation; and”.

10 **SEC. 6. ALLOTMENT OF FUNDS.**

11 Section 305 (42 U.S.C. 10405) is amended—

12 (1) by amending subsection (a) to read as fol-
13 lows:

14 “(a) IN GENERAL.—From the sums appropriated
15 under section 303 and available for grants to States under
16 section 306(a) for any fiscal year, each State (including
17 Guam, American Samoa, the United States Virgin Is-
18 lands, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana
19 Islands) shall be allotted for a grant under section 306(a),
20 \$600,000, with the remaining funds to be allotted to each
21 State (other than Guam, American Samoa, the United
22 States Virgin Islands, and the Commonwealth of the
23 Northern Mariana Islands) in an amount that bears the
24 same ratio to such remaining funds as the population of
25 such State bears to the population of all such States (ex-

1 cluding Guam, American Samoa, the United States Virgin
2 Islands, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana
3 Islands).”;

4 (2) in subsection (e), by striking “under section
5 314” each place it appears and inserting “under this
6 title”; and

7 (3) by striking subsection (f).

8 **SEC. 7. FORMULA GRANTS TO STATES.**

9 Section 306 (42 U.S.C. 10406) is amended—

10 (1) in subsection (a)—

11 (A) in paragraph (2), by striking “depend-
12 ents” and inserting “children and dependents”;
13 and

14 (B) in paragraph (3), by inserting “Indi-
15 ans, members of Indian Tribes, or” after “who
16 are”; and

17 (2) in subsection (c)—

18 (A) in paragraph (2)—

19 (i) in subparagraph (A), by inserting
20 “, on the basis of sexual orientation or
21 gender identity under section
22 40002(b)(13)(A) of the Violence Against
23 Women Act of 1994 (34 U.S.C.
24 12291(b)(13)(A)),” after “title IX of the

1 Education Amendments of 1972 (20
2 U.S.C. 1681 et seq.),”;

3 (ii) in subparagraph (B)(i), by strik-
4 ing the second sentence and inserting the
5 following: “If sex-segregated or sex-specific
6 programming is necessary to the essential
7 operation of a program, nothing in this
8 paragraph shall prevent any such program
9 or activity from being provided in a sex-
10 specific manner. In such circumstances,
11 grantees may meet the requirements of
12 this paragraph by providing comparable
13 services to individuals who cannot be pro-
14 vided with the sex-segregated or sex-spe-
15 cific programming.”; and

16 (iii) in subparagraphs (C) and (D)—

17 (I) by striking “Indian tribe”
18 and inserting “Indian Tribe”; and

19 (II) by striking “tribally” and in-
20 sserting “Tribally”;

21 (B) by striking paragraph (4);

22 (C) by redesignating paragraphs (5) and
23 (6) as paragraphs (4) and (5), respectively;

24 (D) in paragraph (4), as so redesignated—

1 (i) in subparagraph (A), by adding at
 2 the end the following: “The nondisclosure
 3 of confidential or private information re-
 4 quirements under section 40002(b)(2) of
 5 the Violence Against Women Act of 1994
 6 (34 U.S.C. 12291(b)(2)) shall apply to
 7 grantees and subgrantees under this title
 8 in the same manner such requirements
 9 apply to grantees and subgrantees under
 10 such Act.”;

11 (ii) in subparagraph (G)(i), by strik-
 12 ing “tribal” and inserting “Tribal”;

13 (iii) by striking subparagraphs (B),
 14 (C), (D), and (F); and

15 (iv) by redesignating subparagraphs
 16 (E), (G), and (H) as subparagraphs (B),
 17 (C), and (D), respectively; and

18 (E) in paragraph (5), as so redesignated—

19 (i) by striking “Indian tribe” and in-
 20 serting “Indian Tribe”; and

21 (ii) by striking “tribal” and inserting
 22 “Tribal”.

23 **SEC. 8. STATE APPLICATION.**

24 Section 307 (42 U.S.C. 10407) is amended—

25 (1) in subsection (a)—

1 (A) in paragraph (1)—

2 (i) by striking “tribally” and inserting
3 “Tribally”; and

4 (ii) by adding “For purposes of sec-
5 tion 2007(c)(3) of the Omnibus Crime
6 Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, a
7 State’s application under this paragraph
8 shall be deemed to be a ‘State plan.’” at
9 the end; and

10 (B) in paragraph (2)—

11 (i) in subparagraph (A)—

12 (I) by striking “provide a de-
13 scription of the procedures that” and
14 inserting “certify that procedures”;
15 and

16 (II) by inserting “and provide a
17 description of such procedures” before
18 the semicolon;

19 (ii) in subparagraph (B)—

20 (I) in the matter preceding clause
21 (i), by striking “assurances” and in-
22 sserting “certifications”; and

23 (II) in clause (iii)—

24 (aa) in subclause (I)—

- 1 (AA) by striking “oper-
2 ation of shelters” and insert-
3 ing “provision of shelter”;
4 and
5 (BB) by striking “de-
6 pendents” and inserting
7 “children and dependents”;
8 and
9 (bb) in subclause (II), by
10 striking “dependents” and insert-
11 ing “children and dependents”;
- 12 (iii) in subparagraph (C), by striking
13 “an assurance” and inserting “a certifi-
14 cation”;
- 15 (iv) in subparagraph (D)—
- 16 (I) by striking “an assurance”
17 and inserting “a certification”;
- 18 (II) by striking “planning and
19 monitoring” and inserting “planning,
20 coordination, and monitoring”; and
- 21 (III) by striking “and the admin-
22 istration of the grant programs and
23 projects” and inserting “, the admin-
24 istration of the grant programs and
25 projects, and the establishment of a

- 1 set of service standards and best prac-
2 tices for grantees”;
- 3 (v) in subparagraph (E)—
- 4 (I) by inserting “provide certifi-
5 cation and” before “describe”; and
- 6 (II) by striking “to underserved
7 populations” and all that follows
8 through the semicolon and inserting
9 “for individuals from racial and ethnic
10 minority groups, Tribal populations,
11 and other underserved populations, in
12 the State planning process, and how
13 the State plan addresses the unmet
14 needs of such populations;”;
- 15 (vi) in subparagraphs (E), (F), and
16 (G), by striking “Indian tribe” each place
17 it appears and inserting “Indian Tribe”;
- 18 (vii) in subparagraph (G), by striking
19 “tribally” and inserting “Tribally”;
- 20 (viii) by redesignating subparagraphs
21 (H) and (I) as subparagraph (I) and (J),
22 respectively;
- 23 (ix) by inserting after subparagraph
24 (G) the following:

1 “(H) describe how activities and services
2 provided by the State or Indian Tribe are de-
3 signed to promote trauma-informed care, auton-
4 omy, and privacy for victims of family violence,
5 domestic violence, and dating violence, and their
6 children and dependents, including in the de-
7 sign and delivery of shelter services;” and

8 (x) in subparagraph (I), as so redesign-
9 nated—

10 (I) by striking “tribe” and insert-
11 ing “Tribe”;

12 (II) by striking “an assurance”
13 and inserting “a certification”; and

14 (III) by inserting “, remove, or
15 exclude” after “bar”; and

16 (2) in subsection (b)—

17 (A) in paragraph (2), by striking “tribe”
18 each place it appears and inserting “Tribe”;
19 and

20 (B) in paragraph (3)—

21 (i) in the heading, by striking “TRIB-
22 AL” and inserting “TRIBAL”; and

23 (ii) by striking “Indian tribes” each
24 place such term appears and inserting “In-
25 dian Tribes”.

1 **SEC. 9. SUBGRANTS AND USES OF FUNDS.**

2 Section 308 (42 U.S.C. 10408) is amended—

3 (1) in subsection (a)—

4 (A) by striking “that is designed” and in-
5 serting “that are designed”; and

6 (B) by striking “dependents” and inserting
7 “children and dependents”;

8 (2) in subsection (b)—

9 (A) in paragraph (1)—

10 (i) in the matter preceding subpara-
11 graph (A), by striking “, supportive serv-
12 ices, or prevention services” and inserting
13 “or supportive services”;

14 (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking
15 “developing safety plans” and inserting
16 “safety planning”;

17 (iii) in subparagraph (E), by inserting
18 “for racial and ethnic minority groups” be-
19 fore the semicolon;

20 (iv) by redesignating subparagraphs
21 (F) through (H) as subparagraphs (G)
22 through (I), respectively;

23 (v) by inserting after subparagraph
24 (E) the following:

25 “(F) provision of shelter and services to
26 underserved populations;”;

- 1 (vi) in subparagraph (H), as so redesi-
2 gnated—
- 3 (I) in the matter preceding clause
4 (i), by striking “, case management
5 services,”;
- 6 (II) in clause (i), by striking
7 “Federal and State” and inserting
8 “Federal, State, and local”;
- 9 (III) in clause (iii), by striking “,
10 but which shall not include reimburse-
11 ment for any health care services”;
- 12 (IV) in clause (v), by striking “;
13 and” and inserting a semicolon;
- 14 (V) by redesignating clause (vi)
15 as clause (vii);
- 16 (VI) by inserting after clause (v)
17 the following:
18 “(vi) language assistance, including
19 translation of written materials, telephonic
20 and in-person interpreter services, for vic-
21 tims with limited English proficiency or
22 victims who are deaf or hard of hearing;
23 and”;

1 (VII) in clause (vii), as so redese-
2 igned, by striking “; and” and in-
3 serting a semicolon; and

4 (vii) by adding at the end the fol-
5 lowing:

6 “(J) partnerships that enhance the design
7 and delivery of services to victims and their
8 children and dependents.”;

9 (B) in paragraph (2)—

10 (i) by striking “for the primary pur-
11 pose of providing” and inserting “whose
12 primary purpose is to provide”;

13 (ii) by inserting “, for the provision of
14 such shelter and services” before the pe-
15 riod at the end of the first sentence;

16 (iii) by striking “supportive services
17 and prevention services” and inserting
18 “supportive services or prevention serv-
19 ices”; and

20 (iv) by striking “through (H)” and in-
21 serting “through (I)”; and

22 (C) by striking “dependents” each place it
23 appears (other than in paragraph (1)(J)) and
24 inserting “children and dependents”; and

25 (3) in subsection (c)—

1 (A) in paragraph (1)—

2 (i) by striking “a local public agency,
3 or”; and

4 (ii) by striking “dependents” and in-
5 sserting “children and dependents”; and

6 (B) by striking “tribal organizations, and
7 voluntary associations),” and inserting “Tribal
8 organizations and voluntary associations) or a
9 local public agency”; and

10 (C) by amending paragraph (2) to read as
11 follows:

12 “(2) an organization whose primary purpose is
13 to provide culturally appropriate services to racial
14 and ethnic minority groups, Tribal communities, or
15 other underserved populations, that does not have a
16 documented history of effective work concerning
17 family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence,
18 but that is in partnership with an organization de-
19 scribed in paragraph (1).”; and

20 (4) in subsection (d)—

21 (A) in paragraph (1)—

22 (i) in the heading, by striking “OR
23 DEPENDANTS” and inserting “, OR CHIL-
24 DREN OR DEPENDENTS”; and

1 (ii) by striking “dependent” and in-
 2 serting “child or dependent”; and

3 (B) by amending paragraph (2) to read as
 4 follows:

5 “(2) VOLUNTARILY ACCEPTED SERVICES.—Par-
 6 ticipation in supportive services under this title shall
 7 be voluntary. Receipt of the benefits of shelter de-
 8 scribed in subsection (b)(1)(A) shall not be condi-
 9 tioned upon the participation of the adult or youth,
 10 or their children or dependents, in any or all of the
 11 supportive services offered under this title.”.

12 **SEC. 10. GRANTS FOR INDIAN TRIBES.**

13 Section 309 (42 U.S.C. 10409) is amended—

14 (1) in subsection (a)—

15 (A) by striking “42 U.S.C. 14045d” and
 16 inserting “34 U.S.C. 20126”;

17 (B) by striking “tribal” and inserting
 18 “Tribal”;

19 (C) by striking “Indian tribes” and insert-
 20 ing “Indian Tribes”; and

21 (D) by striking “section 303(a)(2)(B)”
 22 and inserting “section 303 or 303A and made
 23 available”; and

24 (2) in subsection (b)—

1 (A) by striking “Indian tribe” each place it
2 appears and inserting “Indian Tribe”; and

3 (B) by striking “tribal organization” each
4 place it appears and inserting “Tribal organiza-
5 tion”.

6 **SEC. 11. NATIONAL RESOURCE CENTERS AND TRAINING**
7 **AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CENTERS.**

8 Section 310 (42 U.S.C. 10410) is amended—

9 (1) in subsection (a)(2)—

10 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph
11 (A), by striking “under this title and reserved
12 under section 303(a)(2)(C)” and inserting
13 “under section 303 or 303A and made available
14 to carry out this section”;

15 (B) in subparagraph (A)—

16 (i) in clause (i), by striking “; and”
17 and inserting a semicolon;

18 (ii) in clause (ii), by striking “7” and
19 inserting “9”; and

20 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-
21 lowing:

22 “(iii) an Alaska Native Tribal re-
23 source center on domestic violence, to re-
24 duce Tribal disparities; and”;

25 (C) in subparagraph (B)—

1 (i) in the matter preceding clause (i),
2 by striking “grants, to” inserting “grants
3 to entities that focus on other critical
4 issues, such as”;

5 (ii) in clause (i), by striking “(includ-
6 ing Alaska Native)”;

7 (iii) by amending clause (ii) to read as
8 follows:

9 “(ii) entities demonstrating expertise
10 related to carrying out an activity de-
11 scribed in subclause (I), (II), or (III) to—

12 “(I) address the housing needs of
13 domestic violence victims and their
14 children and dependents;

15 “(II) develop leadership of advo-
16 cates from underserved communities;
17 or

18 “(III) address other emerging
19 issues related to family violence, do-
20 mestic violence, or dating violence.”;
21 and

22 (2) in subsection (b)—

23 (A) in paragraph (1)—

24 (i) in subparagraph (A)—

1 (I) in clause (i), by inserting
2 “and dependents” after “children”;
3 and

4 (II) in clause (ii), in the matter
5 preceding subclause (I), by inserting
6 “online” after “central”; and

7 (ii) in subparagraph (B)—

8 (I) in clauses (i) and (ii)—

9 (aa) by striking “tribes and
10 tribal organizations” and insert-
11 ing “Tribes and Tribal organiza-
12 tions”; and

13 (bb) by striking “the tribes”
14 and inserting “the Tribes”;

15 (II) in clause (i), by striking
16 “42” and all the follows through
17 “3796gg–10 note” and inserting “34
18 U.S.C. 10452 note”;

19 (III) in clause (ii), by striking
20 “42” and all that follows through
21 “3796gg–10 note” and inserting “34
22 U.S.C. 10452 note”; and

23 (IV) in clause (iii), by inserting
24 “the Office for Victims of Crime and”
25 after “Human Services, and”;

1 (B) in paragraph (2)—

2 (i) in the matter preceding subpara-
3 graph (A), by striking “State and local do-
4 mestic violence service providers” and in-
5 serting “support effective policy, practice,
6 research, and cross systems collaboration”;

7 (ii) in subparagraph (A), by striking
8 “which may include the response to the use
9 of the self-defense plea by domestic vio-
10 lence victims and the issuance and use of
11 protective orders” and inserting “including
12 the issuance and use of protective orders,
13 batterers’ intervention programming, and
14 responses to charged, incarcerated, and re-
15 entering domestic violence victims”;

16 (iii) in subparagraph (B), by striking
17 “dependents” and inserting “children”;

18 (iv) in subparagraph (C), by inserting
19 “, and the response of domestic violence
20 programs and other community organiza-
21 tions with respect to health advocacy and
22 addressing health issues” before the pe-
23 riod;

24 (v) by amending subparagraph (D) to
25 read as follows:

1 “(D) The response of behavioral health
2 systems, domestic violence and other related
3 systems and programs to victims of domestic vi-
4 olence and their children and dependents who
5 experience psychological trauma, mental health
6 issues, or substance use-related needs.”; and

7 (vi) by adding at the end the fol-
8 lowing:

9 “(F) The response of the domestic violence
10 programs and related systems to victims who
11 are underserved due to sexual orientation or
12 gender identity, including expanding the capac-
13 ity of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender
14 organizations to respond to and prevent domes-
15 tic violence.

16 “(G) Strengthening the organizational ca-
17 pacity of State, territorial, and Tribal domestic
18 violence coalitions and of State, territorial, and
19 Tribal administrators who distribute funds
20 under this title to community-based domestic vi-
21 olence programs, with the aim of better ena-
22 bling such coalitions and administrators—

23 “(i) to collaborate and respond effec-
24 tively to domestic violence;

1 “(ii) to meet the conditions and carry
2 out the provisions of this title; and

3 “(iii) to implement best practices to
4 meet the emerging needs of victims of do-
5 mestic violence and their families, children,
6 and dependents.”;

7 (C) by redesignating paragraph (3) as
8 paragraph (4);

9 (D) by inserting after paragraph (2) the
10 following:

11 “(3) ALASKA NATIVE TRIBAL RESOURCE CEN-
12 TER.—In accordance with subsection (a)(2), the Sec-
13 retary shall award a grant to an eligible entity for
14 an Alaska Native Tribal resource center on domestic
15 violence to reduce Tribal disparities, which shall—

16 “(A) offer a comprehensive array of tech-
17 nical assistance and training resources to In-
18 dian Tribes and Tribal organizations, specifi-
19 cally designed to enhance the capacity of the
20 Tribes and organizations to respond to domestic
21 violence and the findings of section 901 and
22 purposes in section 902 of the Violence Against
23 Women and Department of Justice Reauthor-
24 ization Act of 2005 (34 U.S.C. 10452 note);

1 “(B) coordinate all projects and activities
2 with the national resource center described in
3 paragraph (1)(B), including projects and activi-
4 ties that involve working with non-Tribal State
5 and local governments to enhance their capacity
6 to understand the unique needs of Alaska Na-
7 tives;

8 “(C) provide comprehensive community
9 education and domestic violence prevention ini-
10 tiatives in a culturally sensitive and relevant
11 manner; and

12 “(D) coordinate activities with other Fed-
13 eral agencies, offices, and grantees that address
14 the needs of Alaska Natives that experience do-
15 mestic violence, including the Office of Justice
16 Services of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the
17 Indian Health Service, and the Office for Vic-
18 tims of Crime and the Office on Violence
19 Against Women of the Department of Justice.”;
20 and

21 (E) in paragraph (4), as so redesignated—
22 (i) in subparagraphs (A) and (B)(i),
23 by striking “Indian tribes, tribal organiza-
24 tions” and inserting “Indian Tribes, Tribal
25 organizations”; and

1 (ii) in subparagraph (B)—

2 (I) by striking “the tribes” and
3 inserting “the Tribes”; and

4 (II) by striking “nontribal” and
5 inserting “non-Tribal”; and

6 (iii) by striking “(including Alaska
7 Natives)” each place it appears; and

8 (3) in subsection (c)—

9 (A) in paragraph (1)—

10 (i) in the matter preceding subpara-
11 graph (A), by striking “or (D)” and insert-
12 ing “(D), (F), or (G)”; and

13 (ii) by amending subparagraph (B) to
14 read as follows:

15 “(B) includes on the board of directors or
16 advisory committee and on the staff of such en-
17 tity, individuals who are from domestic violence
18 programs and who are geographically and cul-
19 turally diverse, and, with respect to grantees
20 described in subsection (b)(2)(F), who reflect
21 the targeted communities; and”;

22 (B) in paragraph (2)—

23 (i) by striking “tribal organization”
24 each place it appears and inserting “Tribal
25 organization”;

1 (ii) by striking “Indian tribes” each
2 place it appears and inserting “Indian
3 Tribes”;

4 (iii) by striking “42” and all that fol-
5 lows through “3796gg–10 note” and in-
6 serting “34 U.S.C. 10452 note”; and

7 (iv) by striking “tribally” and insert-
8 ing “Tribally”;

9 (C) in paragraph (3)(B)—

10 (i) in clause (ii), by striking “; and”
11 and inserting a semicolon;

12 (ii) in clause (iii), by striking the pe-
13 riod and inserting “; and”; and

14 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-
15 lowing:

16 “(iv) has a board of directors or advi-
17 sory committee, and staff, that reflect the
18 targeted community.”;

19 (D) by redesignating paragraph (4) as
20 paragraph (5);

21 (E) by inserting after paragraph (3) the
22 following:

23 “(4) ALASKA NATIVE TRIBAL RESOURCE CEN-
24 TER ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.—To be eligible to re-
25 ceive a grant under subsection (b)(3), an entity shall

1 be a Tribal organization or a nonprofit private orga-
2 nization that focuses primarily on issues of domestic
3 violence within Tribes in Alaska that submits infor-
4 mation to the Secretary demonstrating—

5 “(A) experience working with Alaska
6 Tribes and Tribal organizations to respond to
7 domestic violence and the findings of section
8 901 of the Violence Against Women and De-
9 partment of Justice Reauthorization Act of
10 2005 (Public Law 109–162; 34 U.S.C. 10452
11 note);

12 “(B) experience providing Alaska Tribes
13 and Tribal organizations with assistance in de-
14 veloping Tribally based prevention and interven-
15 tion services addressing domestic violence and
16 safety for Indian women consistent with the
17 purposes of section 902 of the Violence Against
18 Women and Department of Justice Reauthor-
19 ization Act of 2005 (Public Law 109–162; 34
20 U.S.C. 10452 note);

21 “(C) strong support for the entity’s des-
22 ignation as the Alaska Native Tribal resource
23 center on domestic violence from advocates
24 working with Alaska Tribes to address domestic

1 violence and the safety of Alaska Native
2 women;

3 “(D) a record of demonstrated effective-
4 ness in assisting Alaska Tribes and Tribal orga-
5 nizations with prevention and intervention serv-
6 ices addressing domestic violence; and

7 “(E) the capacity to serve Tribes across
8 the State of Alaska.”; and

9 (F) in paragraph (5), as so redesignated—

10 (i) by striking “(including Alaska Na-
11 tives)”; and

12 (ii) by striking “Indian tribe, tribal
13 organization” and inserting “Indian Tribe,
14 Tribal organization”.

15 **SEC. 12. GRANTS TO STATE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COALI-**
16 **TIONS.**

17 Section 311 (42 U.S.C. 10411) is amended—

18 (1) in subsection (b)(1), by striking “section
19 303(a)(2)(D)” and inserting “section 303 or 303A
20 and made available to take out this section”;

21 (2) in subsection (d)—

22 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),
23 by striking “shall include”;

24 (B) in paragraph (1)—

1 (i) by inserting “, and evidence-in-
2 formed prevention of,” after “comprehen-
3 sive responses to”; and

4 (ii) by striking “working with local”
5 and inserting “shall include—
6 “(A) working with local”;

7 (C) by redesignating paragraphs (2) and
8 (3) as subparagraphs (B) and (C), respectively,
9 and adjusting the margins accordingly;

10 (D) in subparagraph (C) of paragraph (1),
11 as so redesignated—

12 (i) by striking “dependents” and in-
13 serting “children and dependents”; and

14 (ii) by adding “and” after the semi-
15 colon; and

16 (E) by inserting after subparagraph (C) of
17 paragraph (1), as so redesignated, the fol-
18 lowing:

19 “(D) collaborating with Indian Tribes and
20 Tribal organizations (and corresponding Native
21 Hawaiian groups or communities) to address
22 the needs of Indian (including Alaska Native)
23 and Native Hawaiian victims of family violence,
24 domestic violence, or dating violence, as applica-
25 ble in the State; and”;

1 (F) in paragraph (4), by striking “collabo-
2 rating with and providing” and inserting “may
3 include—

4 “(A) collaborating with and providing”;

5 (G) by redesignating paragraph (4) as
6 paragraph (2);

7 (H) in paragraph (6), by redesignating
8 subparagraphs (A) and (B) as clauses (i) and
9 (ii), respectively, and adjusting the margins ac-
10 cordingly;

11 (I) by redesignating paragraphs (5)
12 through (7) as subparagraphs (B) through (D),
13 respectively, and adjusting the margins accord-
14 ingly;

15 (J) in clause (ii) of subparagraph (C) of
16 paragraph (2), as so redesignated, by striking
17 “child abuse is present;” and inserting “there is
18 a co-occurrence of child abuse; and”;

19 (K) by striking paragraph (8); and

20 (L) in subparagraph (D) of paragraph (2),
21 as so redesignated, by striking “; and” and in-
22 serting a period;

23 (3) by striking subsection (e);

24 (4) by redesignating subsections (f) through (h)
25 as subsections (e) through (g), respectively; and

1 (5) in subsection (g), as so redesignated, by
2 striking “Indian tribes and tribal organizations” and
3 inserting “Indian Tribes and Tribal organizations”.

4 **SEC. 13. GRANTS TO TRIBAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COALI-**
5 **TIONS.**

6 The Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (42
7 U.S.C. 10401 et seq.) is amended by inserting after sec-
8 tion 311 the following:

9 **“SEC. 311A. GRANTS TO TRIBAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COA-**
10 **LITIONS.**

11 “(a) GRANTS AUTHORIZED.—Beginning with fiscal
12 year 2020, out of amounts appropriated under section 303
13 or 303A and made available to carry out this section for
14 a fiscal year, the Secretary shall award grants to eligible
15 entities in accordance with this section.

16 “(b) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—To be eligible to receive
17 a grant under this section, an entity shall be a Tribal do-
18 mestic violence coalition that is recognized by the Office
19 on Violence Against Women of the Department of Justice
20 that provides services to Indian Tribes.

21 “(c) APPLICATION.—Each Tribal domestic violence
22 coalition desiring a grant under this section shall submit
23 an application to the Secretary at such time, in such man-
24 ner, and containing such information as the Secretary may
25 require. The application submitted by the coalition for the

1 grant shall provide documentation of the coalition’s work,
2 demonstrating that the coalition—

3 “(1) meets all the applicable requirements set
4 forth in this section; and

5 “(2) has the ability to conduct all activities de-
6 scribed in this section, as indicated by—

7 “(A) a documented experience in admin-
8 istering Federal grants to conduct the activities
9 described in subsection (d); or

10 “(B) a documented history of activities to
11 further the purposes of this section set forth in
12 subsection (d).

13 “(d) USE OF FUNDS.—A Tribal domestic violence co-
14 alition eligible under subsection (b) that receives a grant
15 under this section may use the grant funds for administra-
16 tion and operation to further the purposes of family vio-
17 lence, domestic violence, and dating violence intervention
18 and prevention activities, including—

19 “(1) working with local Tribal family violence,
20 domestic violence, or dating violence service pro-
21 grams and providers of direct services to encourage
22 appropriate and comprehensive responses to family
23 violence, domestic violence, and dating violence
24 against adults or youth within the Indian Tribes

1 served, including providing training and technical as-
2 sistance and conducting Tribal needs assessments;

3 “(2) participating in planning and monitoring
4 the distribution of subgrants and subgrant funds
5 within the State under section 308(a);

6 “(3) working in collaboration with Tribal serv-
7 ice providers and community-based organizations to
8 address the needs of victims of family violence, do-
9 mestic violence, and dating violence, and their chil-
10 dren and dependents;

11 “(4) collaborating with, and providing informa-
12 tion to, entities in such fields as housing, health
13 care, mental health, social welfare, and law enforce-
14 ment to support the development and implementa-
15 tion of effective policies;

16 “(5) supporting the development and implemen-
17 tation of effective policies, protocols, legislation,
18 codes, and programs that address the safety and
19 support needs of adult and youth Tribal victims of
20 family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence;

21 “(6) encouraging appropriate responses to cases
22 of family violence, domestic violence, or dating vio-
23 lence against adults or youth, by working with Trib-
24 al, State, and Federal judicial agencies and law en-
25 forcement agencies;

1 “(7) working with Tribal, State and Federal ju-
2 dicial agencies, including family law judges, criminal
3 court judges, child protective service agencies, and
4 children’s advocates to develop appropriate responses
5 to child custody and visitation issues—

6 “(A) in cases of child exposure to family
7 violence, domestic violence, or dating violence;

8 or

9 “(B) in cases in which—

10 “(i) family violence, domestic violence,
11 or dating violence is present; and

12 “(ii) child abuse is present;

13 “(8) providing information to the public about
14 prevention of family violence, domestic violence, and
15 dating violence within Indian Tribes; and

16 “(9) assisting Indian Tribes’ participation in,
17 and attendance of, Federal and State consultations
18 on family violence, domestic violence, or dating vio-
19 lence, including consultations mandated by the Vio-
20 lence Against Women Act of 1994 (title IV of Public
21 Law 103–322), the Victims of Crime Act of 1984
22 (34 U.S.C. 20101 et seq.), or this title.

23 “(e) REALLOCATION.—If, at the end of the sixth
24 month of any fiscal year for which sums are appropriated
25 under section 303 or 303A and made available to carry

1 out this section, a portion of the available amount has not
2 been awarded to Tribal domestic violence coalitions for
3 grants under this section because of the failure of such
4 coalitions to meet the requirements for such grants, then
5 the Secretary shall award such portion, in equal shares,
6 to Tribal domestic violence coalitions that meet such re-
7 quirements.”.

8 **SEC. 14. SPECIALIZED SERVICES FOR ABUSED PARENTS**
9 **AND THEIR CHILDREN.**

10 Section 312 (42 U.S.C. 10412) is amended—

11 (1) in subsection (a)—

12 (A) in paragraph (1)—

13 (i) by striking “dating violence service
14 programs and community-based programs
15 to prevent future domestic violence by ad-
16 dressing, in an appropriate manner, the
17 needs of children” and inserting “cul-
18 turally specific community-based programs
19 to serve children and youth”; and

20 (ii) by inserting “, and to support the
21 caregiving capacity of adult victims” before
22 the period; and

23 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “more
24 than 2” and inserting “less than 3”;

25 (2) in subsection (b)—

1 (A) by inserting “or State domestic vio-
2 lence services” after “local”;

3 (B) by inserting “a culturally specific orga-
4 nization,” after “associations,”;

5 (C) by striking “tribal organization” and
6 inserting “Tribal organization”;

7 (D) by inserting “adult and child” after
8 “serving”; and

9 (E) by striking “and their children”; and
10 (3) in subsection (c)—

11 (A) by amending paragraph (1) to read as
12 follows:

13 “(1) a description of how the entity will
14 prioritize the safety of, and confidentiality of infor-
15 mation about adult and child victims of family vio-
16 lence, domestic violence, or dating violence;”;

17 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “develop-
18 mentally appropriate and age-appropriate serv-
19 ices, and culturally and linguistically appro-
20 priate services, to the victims and children;
21 and” and inserting “trauma-informed, develop-
22 mentally appropriate, age-appropriate, and cul-
23 turally and linguistically appropriate services to
24 children and youth and their adult caregivers;”;

1 (C) in paragraph (3), by striking “appro-
2 priate and relevant to the unique needs of chil-
3 dren exposed to family violence, domestic vio-
4 lence, or dating violence.” and inserting “rel-
5 evant to the unique needs of children and youth
6 exposed to family violence, domestic violence, or
7 dating violence, and address the parent’s or
8 caregiver’s ongoing caregiving capacity; and”;
9 and

10 (D) by adding at the end the following:

11 “(4) a description of prevention activities tar-
12 geting child and youth victims of family violence, do-
13 mestic violence, or dating violence.”;

14 (4) in subsection (d)—

15 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),
16 by striking “community-based program de-
17 scribed in subsection (a)” and inserting “cul-
18 turally specific, community-based program”;

19 (B) in paragraph (1)(A)—

20 (i) by striking “victims of family vio-
21 lence, domestic violence, or dating violence
22 and their children” and inserting “child
23 and adult victims of family violence, do-
24 mestic violence, or dating violence”; and

1 (ii) by inserting “or the health sys-
2 tem” before the semicolon; and

3 (C) in paragraph (2)—

4 (i) in subparagraph (B), by striking
5 “community-based organizations serving
6 victims of family violence, domestic vio-
7 lence, or dating violence or children ex-
8 posed to family violence, domestic violence,
9 or dating violence” and inserting “health,
10 education, or other community-based orga-
11 nizations serving adult and child victims of
12 family violence, domestic violence, or dat-
13 ing violence”; and

14 (ii) in subparagraph (C), by inserting
15 “health,” after “transportation,”; and

16 (5) in subsection (e)—

17 (A) by inserting “shall participate in an
18 evaluation and” after “under this section”; and

19 (B) by striking “contain an evaluation of”
20 and inserting “information on”.

21 **SEC. 15. NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE GRANT.**

22 Section 313 (42 U.S.C. 10413) is amended—

23 (1) in subsection (a)—

24 (A) by striking “toll-free telephone” and
25 inserting “telephonic and digital services”;

1 (B) by striking “a hotline that provides”
2 and inserting “a hotline and digital services
3 that provide”; and

4 (C) by inserting before the period at the
5 end of the second sentence the following: “, and
6 who provide information about healthy relation-
7 ships for adults and youth”;

8 (2) in subsection (d)—

9 (A) in paragraph (2)—

10 (i) in the matter preceding subpara-
11 graph (A), by inserting “and digital serv-
12 ices” after “hotline”;

13 (ii) in subparagraphs (A) and (B), by
14 striking “hotline personnel” each place
15 such term appears and inserting “advocacy
16 personnel”;

17 (iii) in subparagraph (A), by striking
18 “are able to effectively operate any techno-
19 logical systems used by the hotline” and
20 inserting “or digital services are able to ef-
21 fectively operate any technological systems
22 used by the hotline or provide any digital
23 services, as applicable”;

24 (iv) in subparagraphs (D), (E), and
25 (F), by inserting “and digital services”

1 after “hotline” each place such term ap-
2 pears;

3 (v) in subparagraph (F), by inserting
4 “or visual” after “hearing”; and

5 (vi) in subparagraph (G), by striking
6 “teen dating violence hotline” and insert-
7 ing “youth dating violence hotline and
8 other digital services and resources”;

9 (B) in paragraph (4), by inserting “, dig-
10 ital services,” after “hotline”;

11 (C) by amending paragraph (5) to read as
12 follows:

13 “(5) demonstrate the ability to—

14 “(A) provide information and referrals for
15 individuals contacting the hotline via telephonic
16 or digital services;

17 “(B) directly connect callers or assist dig-
18 ital services users in connecting to service pro-
19 viders; and

20 “(C) employ crisis interventions meeting
21 the standards of family violence, domestic vio-
22 lence, and dating violence providers;”;

23 (D) by redesignating paragraphs (6)
24 through (8) as paragraphs (7) through (9), re-
25 spectively; and

1 (E) by inserting after paragraph (5) the
2 following:

3 “(6) demonstrate the ability to provide informa-
4 tion about healthy relationships for adults and
5 youth;”; and

6 (3) in subsection (e)—

7 (A) in the heading, by inserting “AND DIG-
8 ITAL SERVICES” after “HOTLINE”;

9 (B) in paragraph (1)—

10 (i) by striking “telephone hotline” and
11 inserting “telephonic hotline and digital
12 services”; and

13 (ii) by striking “assistance to adult”
14 and inserting “for the benefit of adult”;
15 and

16 (C) in paragraph (2)—

17 (i) in subparagraph (A), by inserting
18 “and an internet service provider for the
19 use of operating digital services” before
20 the semicolon;

21 (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking
22 “, provide counseling and referral services
23 for callers on a 24-hour-a-day basis, and
24 directly connect callers” and inserting
25 “and digital services contracts, provide

1 counseling, health relationship information,
 2 and referral services for callers and digital
 3 services users, on a 24-hour-a-day basis,
 4 and directly connect callers and digital
 5 services users”;

6 (iii) in subparagraph (C), by inserting
 7 “or digital services users” after “callers”;

8 (iv) in subparagraph (D), by inserting
 9 “and digital services” after “hotline”;

10 (v) in subparagraph (E), by striking
 11 “underserved populations” and inserting
 12 “racial and ethnic minority groups, Tribal
 13 and underserved populations,”; and

14 (vi) in subparagraph (F), by striking
 15 “teen violence hotline” and inserting “hot-
 16 line or digital services”.

17 **SEC. 16. NATIONAL INDIAN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE**
 18 **GRANT.**

19 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

20 (1) 84.3 percent of American Indian and Alas-
 21 ka Native women have experienced violence in their
 22 lifetime;

23 (2) 81.6 percent of American Indian and Alas-
 24 ka Native men have experienced violence in their
 25 lifetime;

1 (3) 56.1 percent of American Indian and Alas-
2 ka Native women will experience sexual violence in
3 their lifetime;

4 (4) 55.5 percent of American Indian and Alas-
5 ka Native women will experience intimate partner vi-
6 olence in their lifetime;

7 (5) 48.8 percent of American Indian and Alas-
8 ka Native women will experience stalking;

9 (6) 38 percent of American Indian and Alaska
10 Natives female victims have been previously unable
11 to access victim assistance services;

12 (7) Indian Tribes require additional criminal
13 justice and victim services resources to respond to
14 violent assaults against women;

15 (8) the unique legal relationship of the United
16 States to Indian Tribes creates a Federal trust re-
17 sponsibility to assist Tribal governments in safe-
18 guarding the lives of Indian women; and

19 (9) a national Indian domestic violence hotline
20 is required to increase access of Indian adult and
21 youth victims of family violence, domestic violence,
22 and dating violence to Tribal victim services and re-
23 sources.

24 (b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this section is to in-
25 crease the availability of information and assistance to In-

1 dian adult or youth victims of family violence, domestic
 2 violence, or dating violence, family and household mem-
 3 bers of such victim, and individuals affected by such vic-
 4 timization by supporting a national, toll-free telephonic
 5 and digital hotline to provide services that are—

6 (1) informed of Federal Indian law and Tribal
 7 laws impacting Indian victims of family violence, do-
 8 mestic violence, or dating violence;

9 (2) culturally appropriate to Indian adult and
 10 youth victims; and

11 (3) developed in cooperation with victim serv-
 12 ices offered by Indian Tribes and Tribal organiza-
 13 tions.

14 (c) GRANT PROGRAM.—The Family Violence Preven-
 15 tion and Services Act (42 U.S.C. 10401 et seq.) is amend-
 16 ed by inserting after section 313 the following:

17 **“SEC. 313A. NATIONAL INDIAN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOT-**
 18 **LINE GRANT.**

19 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall award a
 20 grant to a Tribal organization or private, non-profit entity
 21 to maintain the ongoing operation of a national, toll-free
 22 telephonic and digital hotline service to provide informa-
 23 tion and assistance to Indian adult and youth victims of
 24 family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, fam-

1 ily and household members of such victims, and other indi-
2 viduals affected by such victimization.

3 “(b) TERM.—The Secretary shall award a grant
4 under this section for a period of not more than 5 years.

5 “(c) CONDITIONS ON PAYMENT.—The provision of
6 payments under a grant awarded under this section shall
7 be subject to annual approval by the Secretary and subject
8 to the availability of appropriations for each fiscal year
9 to make the payments.

10 “(d) ELIGIBILITY.—To be eligible to receive a grant
11 under this section, an entity shall be a Tribal organization
12 or a nonprofit private organization that focuses primarily
13 on issues of domestic violence as it relates to American
14 Indians and Alaska Natives, and submit an application to
15 the Secretary that shall—

16 “(1) contain such agreements, assurances, and
17 information, be in such form, and be submitted in
18 such manner, as the Secretary shall prescribe;

19 “(2) include a complete description of the appli-
20 cant’s plan for the operation of a national Indian do-
21 mestic violence hotline and digital services, including
22 descriptions of—

23 “(A) the training program for advocacy
24 personnel relating to the provision of culturally
25 appropriate and legally accurate services, infor-

1 mation, resources and referrals for Indian vic-
2 tims of domestic, dating, and family violence;

3 “(B) the training program for advocacy
4 personnel, relating to technology requirements
5 to ensure that all persons affiliated with the
6 hotline and digital services are able to effec-
7 tively operate any technological systems re-
8 quired to provide the necessary services used by
9 the hotline;

10 “(C) the hiring criteria and qualifications
11 for advocacy personnel, including the applicant,
12 to ensure that hotline advocates and other per-
13 sonnel have demonstrated knowledge of Indian
14 legal, social, and cultural issues, to ensure that
15 the unique needs of Indian callers and users of
16 digital services are met;

17 “(D) the methods for the creation, mainte-
18 nance, and updating of a resource database of
19 culturally appropriate victim services and re-
20 sources available from Indian Tribes and Tribal
21 organizations;

22 “(E) a plan for publicizing the availability
23 of the services from the national Indian hotline
24 to Indian victims of domestic violence and dat-
25 ing violence;

1 “(F) a plan for providing service to non-
2 English speaking callers, including service
3 through hotline and digital services personnel
4 who have non-English language capability;

5 “(G) a plan for facilitating access to hot-
6 line and digital services by individuals with
7 hearing impairments; and

8 “(H) a plan for providing assistance and
9 referrals to Indian youth victims of domestic vi-
10 olence and for victims of dating violence who
11 are minors, which may be carried out through
12 a national Indian youth dating violence hotline,
13 digital services, or other resources;

14 “(3) demonstrate recognized expertise providing
15 services, including information on healthy relation-
16 ships and referrals for Indian victims of family vio-
17 lence, domestic violence, or dating violence and co-
18 ordinating services with Indian Tribes or Tribal or-
19 ganizations;

20 “(4) demonstrate support from Indian victim
21 services programs, Tribal coalitions recognized by
22 the Office on Violence Against Women and Tribal
23 grantees under this title;

24 “(5) demonstrate capacity and the expertise to
25 maintain a domestic violence hotline, digital services

1 and a comprehensive database of service providers
2 from Indian Tribes or Tribal organizations;

3 “(6) demonstrate compliance with nondisclosure
4 requirements as described in section 306(c)(5) and
5 following comprehensive quality assurance practices;
6 and

7 “(7) contain such other information as the Sec-
8 retary may require.

9 “(e) INDIAN HOTLINE ACTIVITIES.—

10 “(1) IN GENERAL.—An entity that receives a
11 grant under this section shall use funds made avail-
12 able through the grant for the purpose described in
13 subsection (a), consistent with paragraph (2).

14 “(2) ACTIVITIES.—In establishing and oper-
15 ating the hotline, the entity—

16 “(A) shall contract with a carrier for the
17 use of a toll-free telephone line and an internet
18 service provider for digital services;

19 “(B) shall employ, train (including pro-
20 viding technology training), and supervise per-
21 sonnel to answer incoming calls and digital
22 services contacts, provide counseling, healthy
23 relationship and referral services for Indian
24 callers and digital services users, directly con-

1 nect callers, and assist digital services users in
2 connecting to service providers;

3 “(C) shall assemble and maintain a data-
4 base of information relating to services for In-
5 dian victims of family violence, domestic vio-
6 lence, or dating violence to which Indian callers
7 or digital services users may be referred, includ-
8 ing information on the availability of shelters
9 and supportive services for victims of family vi-
10 olence, domestic violence, or dating violence;

11 “(D) shall widely publicize the hotline and
12 digital services throughout Indian Tribes and
13 communities, including—

14 “(i) national and regional member or-
15 ganizations of Indian Tribes;

16 “(ii) Tribal domestic violence services
17 programs; and

18 “(iii) Tribal non-profit victim service
19 providers;

20 “(E) at the discretion of the hotline oper-
21 ator, may provide appropriate assistance and
22 referrals for family and household members of
23 Indian victims of family violence, domestic vio-
24 lence, or dating violence, and Indians affected

1 by the victimization described in subsection (a);
2 and

3 “(F) at the discretion of the hotline oper-
4 ator, may provide assistance, or referrals for
5 counseling or intervention, for identified Indian
6 perpetrators, including self-identified perpetra-
7 tors, of family violence, domestic violence, or
8 dating violence, but shall not be required to
9 provide such assistance or referrals in any cir-
10 cumstance in which the hotline operator fears
11 the safety of a victim may be impacted by an
12 abuser or suspected abuser.

13 “(f) REPORTS AND EVALUATION.—The entity receiv-
14 ing a grant under this section shall submit a performance
15 report to the Secretary at such time as shall be reasonably
16 required by the Secretary. Such performance report shall
17 describe the activities that have been carried out with such
18 grant funds, contain an evaluation of the effectiveness of
19 such activities, and provide such additional information as
20 the Secretary may reasonably require.”.

21 **SEC. 17. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION ENHANCE-**
22 **MENT AND LEADERSHIP.**

23 Section 314 (42 U.S.C. 10414) is amended to read
24 as follows:

1 **“SEC. 314. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION ENHANCE-**
2 **MENT AND LEADERSHIP.**

3 “(a) PURPOSE AND DESCRIPTION OF GRANTS.—

4 “(1) PURPOSE.—The purposes of this section
5 are—

6 “(A) to continue efforts to build evidence
7 for effective primary prevention practices, pro-
8 grams, and policies that reduce and end family
9 violence, domestic violence, and dating violence;

10 “(B) to build capacity at the State, Tribal,
11 territorial, and local levels to meet the objec-
12 tives described in subparagraph (A); and

13 “(C) to advance primary prevention efforts
14 related to family violence, domestic violence,
15 and dating violence nationally.

16 “(2) DESCRIPTION OF GRANTS.—From the
17 amounts appropriated under this section, the Sec-
18 retary shall—

19 “(A) acting through the Division of Vio-
20 lence Prevention of the Centers for Disease
21 Control and Prevention, in consultation with
22 the Director of the Division of Family Violence
23 Prevention and Services of the Administration
24 for Children and Families—

25 “(i) provide core grants under sub-
26 section (b)(1) to support primary preven-

1 tion of family violence, domestic violence
2 and dating violence; and

3 “(ii) enter into cooperative agree-
4 ments under subsection (b)(2) with State,
5 territorial, and Tribal domestic violence
6 coalitions that are in partnerships with en-
7 tities carrying out local and culturally spe-
8 cific programs, to test, evaluate, or scale
9 up innovative family violence, domestic vio-
10 lence, or dating violence prevention models,
11 particularly those programs serving cul-
12 turally specific or traditionally underserved
13 communities; and

14 “(B) acting through the Family Violence
15 Prevention and Services Program of the Admin-
16 istration for Children and Families, award
17 grants under subsection (c) to enhance the ca-
18 pacity of communities and systems to engage in
19 effective prevention efforts.

20 “(3) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, EVALUATION,
21 AND MONITORING.—Of the amounts appropriated
22 under this section for a fiscal year the Secretary
23 may use—

1 “(A) not more than 5 percent of the
2 amounts for evaluation, monitoring, and other
3 administrative costs under this section; and

4 “(B) not more than 3 percent of the
5 amounts for each fiscal year for technical as-
6 sistance under this section.

7 “(b) GRANTS TO STATE, TERRITORIAL, AND TRIBAL
8 COALITIONS.—

9 “(1) GRANTS TO BUILD PRIMARY PREVENTION
10 CAPACITY OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COALITIONS.—

11 “(A) PURPOSE.—The Secretary shall pro-
12 vide a core grant for each eligible State, terri-
13 torial, and Tribal coalition. The Secretary shall
14 provide such a grant to build organizational ca-
15 pacity and leadership for primary prevention of
16 family violence, domestic violence and dating vi-
17 olence, including work with other systems cen-
18 tral to prevention at the local, State, territorial,
19 and Tribal levels.

20 “(B) ELIGIBILITY.—To be eligible to re-
21 ceive a grant under this paragraph, a State,
22 territorial, or Tribal coalition shall be a State
23 domestic violence coalition, territorial domestic
24 violence coalition, or Tribal domestic violence
25 coalition, respectively, that has not entered into

1 a cooperative agreement under section 314 of
2 this Act (as in effect on the day before the date
3 of enactment of the Family Violence Prevention
4 and Services Improvement Act of 2019) or
5 under paragraph (2).

6 “(C) ALLOTMENT OF FUNDS.—From the
7 amount appropriated to carry out this section,
8 and available for this subsection the Secretary
9 shall allot an equal share to each qualified enti-
10 ty receiving funds under section 311 or section
11 311A to carry out evidence-informed prevention
12 activities.

13 “(D) APPLICATION.—Each coalition seek-
14 ing a grant under this paragraph shall submit
15 an application to the Secretary at such time, in
16 such manner, and containing such information
17 as the Secretary may require. The application
18 submitted by the coalition for the grant shall
19 provide documentation of the coalition’s preven-
20 tion work, satisfactory to the Secretary, dem-
21 onstrating that the coalition—

22 “(i) meets all of the applicable re-
23 quirements of this paragraph; and

1 “(ii) demonstrates the ability to con-
2 duct appropriately the prevention activities
3 described in this paragraph.

4 “(E) USE OF FUNDS.—A coalition that re-
5 ceives a grant under this paragraph—

6 “(i) shall use the grant funds to—

7 “(I) build the coalition’s organi-
8 zational capacity and enhance its
9 State or Tribal leadership to advance
10 evidence-informed primary prevention
11 of family violence, domestic violence,
12 and dating violence;

13 “(II) provide prevention-focused
14 training, technical assistance, peer
15 learning opportunities, and other sup-
16 port to local domestic violence pro-
17 grams and other community-based
18 and culturally specific programs work-
19 ing to address family violence, domes-
20 tic violence, or dating violence;

21 “(III) provide training and advo-
22 cacy to other State, Tribal, and local
23 public and private systems on how to
24 prevent domestic violence, dating vio-
25 lence, and family violence, and help

1 victims, including through health serv-
2 ices, early childhood programs, eco-
3 nomic support programs, schools,
4 child welfare, workforce development,
5 community-based programs primarily
6 serving racial and ethnic minority
7 groups, community-based programs
8 primarily serving other underserved
9 populations, faith-based programs,
10 and youth programs; and

11 “(IV) support dissemination of
12 prevention strategies and approaches
13 throughout the State, territorial, or
14 Tribal communities; and

15 “(ii) may use the grant funds to pro-
16 vide subgrants to local programs to sup-
17 port the dissemination of primary preven-
18 tion programs or initiatives.

19 “(F) REPORTS.—Each entity receiving a
20 grant under this section shall submit a perform-
21 ance report to the Secretary at such time as the
22 Secretary requires. Such performance report
23 shall describe the activities that have been car-
24 ried out with such grant funds and the effec-
25 tiveness of such activities, and provide such ad-

1 ditional information as the Secretary may re-
2 quire.

3 “(G) FEDERAL ACTIVITIES.—The Sec-
4 retary may use a portion of the funds provided
5 under this paragraph to provide prevention-fo-
6 cused training, technical assistance, and other
7 support to coalitions described in subparagraph
8 (B) or State or local entities that are in part-
9 nerships with such coalitions.

10 “(2) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT FOR IMPLE-
11 MENTATION AND EVALUATION OF PRIMARY PREVEN-
12 TION STRATEGIES.—

13 “(A) PURPOSE.—The Secretary shall enter
14 into cooperative agreements with qualified
15 State, territorial, and Tribal domestic violence
16 coalitions that are in partnerships with entities
17 carrying out local and culturally specific pro-
18 grams, to test, evaluate, or scale up innovative
19 family violence, domestic violence, or dating vio-
20 lence prevention strategies and models, particu-
21 larly those serving culturally specific or tradi-
22 tionally underserved communities.

23 “(B) QUALIFICATION.—To be qualified to
24 enter into a cooperative agreement under sub-
25 section (a)(2)(A)(ii), an organization shall be a

1 State, territorial, or Tribal domestic violence co-
2 alition and include representatives of pertinent
3 sectors of the local community, which may in-
4 clude—

5 “(i) health care providers and Tribal,
6 State, or local health departments;

7 “(ii) the education community;

8 “(iii) a faith-based community;

9 “(iv) the juvenile justice system;

10 “(v) family violence, domestic violence,
11 and dating violence service program advo-
12 cates;

13 “(vi) public human service entities;

14 “(vii) business and civic leaders;

15 “(viii) child and youth-serving organi-
16 zations;

17 “(ix) community-based organizations
18 whose primary purpose is to provide cul-
19 turally appropriate services to underserved
20 populations, including racial and ethnic mi-
21 nority communities; and

22 “(x) other pertinent sectors.

23 “(C) TERM.—The Secretary shall enter
24 into a cooperative agreement under this section
25 for a period of not more than 5 fiscal years.

1 “(D) CONDITIONS ON PAYMENT.—The
2 provision of payments under a cooperative
3 agreement under this section shall be subject
4 to—

5 “(i) annual approval by the Secretary;

6 and

7 “(ii) the availability of appropriations
8 for each fiscal year to make the payments.

9 “(E) APPLICATIONS.—An organization
10 that desires to enter into a cooperative agree-
11 ment under this section shall submit to the Sec-
12 retary an application, in such form and in such
13 manner as the Secretary shall require, that—

14 “(i) identifies models and strategies to
15 be tested and partner organizations who
16 will be implementing programs to prevent
17 family violence, domestic violence, or dat-
18 ing violence;

19 “(ii) demonstrates that the applicant
20 has developed effective and collaborative
21 relationships with diverse communities, in-
22 cluding with organizations primarily serv-
23 ing racial and ethnic minority populations
24 or other underserved populations;

1 “(iii) identifies other partners and
2 sectors who will be engaged to meet the
3 prevention goals;

4 “(iv) includes a description of the ex-
5 pected outcomes from the prevention ac-
6 tivities and how the strategy is expected to
7 achieve those outcomes;

8 “(v) describes the method to be used
9 for identification and selection of project
10 staff and a project evaluator;

11 “(vi) describes the method to be used
12 for identification and selection of a project
13 council consisting of representatives of the
14 community sectors listed in subparagraph
15 (B);

16 “(vii) demonstrates that the applicant
17 has the capacity to carry out collaborative
18 community initiatives to prevent family vi-
19 olence, domestic violence, and dating vio-
20 lence; and

21 “(viii) contains such other informa-
22 tion, agreements, and assurances as the
23 Secretary may require.

24 “(F) GEOGRAPHICAL DISPERSION.—The
25 Secretary shall enter into cooperative agree-

1 ments under this section with organizations in
2 States, territories, and Tribes geographically
3 dispersed throughout the Nation.

4 “(G) USE OF FUNDS.—

5 “(i) IN GENERAL.—An organization
6 that enters into a cooperative agreement
7 under this paragraph shall use the funds
8 made available through the agreement to
9 establish, operate, and maintain implemen-
10 tation and evaluation of coordinated com-
11 munity response to reduce risk factors for
12 family violence, domestic violence and dat-
13 ing violence perpetration and enhance pro-
14 tective factors to promote positive develop-
15 ment and healthy relationships and com-
16 munities.

17 “(ii) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, EVAL-
18 UATION, AND MONITORING.—The Sec-
19 retary may use a portion of the funds pro-
20 vided under this paragraph to provide for
21 the evaluation, monitoring, administration,
22 and technical assistance described in sub-
23 section (a)(3), with respect to the preven-
24 tion projects.

1 “(H) REQUIREMENTS.—In establishing
2 and operating a project under this paragraph,
3 an organization shall—

4 “(i) utilize evidence-informed preven-
5 tion project planning;

6 “(ii) recognize and address the needs
7 of underserved populations, racial and eth-
8 nic minority groups, and individuals with
9 disabilities;

10 “(iii) use not less than 30 percent or
11 more than 50 percent of awarded funds to
12 subcontract with local domestic violence
13 programs or other community-based pro-
14 grams to develop and implement such
15 projects;

16 “(iv) in the case of a new grantee, use
17 the funds for up to 1 year for planning
18 and capacity building without subcon-
19 tracting as described in clause (iii); and

20 “(v) use up to 8 percent of the funds
21 awarded under this paragraph to procure
22 technical assistance from a list of providers
23 approved by the Secretary and peer-to-peer
24 technical assistance from other grantees
25 under this paragraph.

1 “(I) REPORTS.—Each organization enter-
2 ing into a cooperative agreement under this sec-
3 tion shall submit a performance report to the
4 Secretary at such time as shall be reasonably
5 required by the Secretary. Such performance
6 report shall describe activities that have been
7 carried out with the funds made available
8 through the agreement and the effectiveness of
9 such activities, and provide such additional in-
10 formation as the Secretary may reasonably re-
11 quire. The Secretary shall make the evaluations
12 received under this subparagraph publicly avail-
13 able on the Department of Health and Human
14 Services internet website, and shall submit such
15 reports to the Committee on Health, Education,
16 Labor, and Pensions of the Senate and the
17 Committee on Education and Labor of the
18 House of Representatives.

19 “(c) GRANTS TO EXPAND COMMUNITY-BASED PRI-
20 MARY PREVENTION.—

21 “(1) PROGRAM.—The Secretary shall establish
22 a grant program to expand the capacity of commu-
23 nities and systems to engage in effective prevention
24 efforts.

1 “(2) GRANTS.—The Secretary may award
2 grants to eligible entities through the program es-
3 tablished under paragraph (1) for periods of not
4 more than 4 years. If the Secretary determines that
5 an entity has received such a grant and been suc-
6 cessful in meeting the objectives of the grant appli-
7 cation so submitted, the Secretary may renew the
8 grant for 1 additional period of not more than 4
9 years.

10 “(3) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—To be eligible to re-
11 ceive a grant under this section, an entity shall—

12 “(A) be a private nonprofit, nongovern-
13 mental organization (which may include faith-
14 based and charitable organizations) or a Tribal
15 organization that is—

16 “(i) a community-based organization
17 whose primary purpose is providing cul-
18 turally competent services to racial and
19 ethnic minority groups or other under-
20 served populations; or

21 “(ii) a community-based organization
22 with a program focused on serving youth
23 or serving children and their parents or
24 caregivers; and

1 “(B) have a demonstrated record of serv-
2 ing victims of family violence, domestic violence,
3 or dating violence, or demonstrate a partnership
4 with another organization that has such a
5 record.

6 “(4) APPLICATION.—An entity seeking a grant
7 under this subsection shall submit an application to
8 the Secretary at such time, in such manner, and
9 containing such information as the Secretary may
10 reasonably require, including—

11 “(A) a description of how the entity will
12 develop, expand, or replicate evidence-informed
13 primary prevention strategies and approaches in
14 their communities, including culturally appro-
15 priate prevention programming;

16 “(B) documents that the entity meets all
17 of the applicable requirements set forth in this
18 subsection; and

19 “(C) demonstrates the ability to conduct
20 appropriately the prevention activities described
21 in this section.

22 “(5) USE OF FUNDS.—An entity that receives
23 a grant under this section shall use the grant funds
24 to—

1 “(A) build their organizational capacity
2 and enhance their leadership of the organiza-
3 tion within the community to promote commu-
4 nity engagement in and advancement of evi-
5 dence-informed primary prevention of family vi-
6 olence, domestic violence, or dating violence;

7 “(B) promote strategic prevention partner-
8 ship development, including between any of do-
9 mestic violence programs and health programs,
10 early childhood programs, economic support
11 programs, schools, child welfare programs,
12 workforce development, culturally specific com-
13 munity-based organizations, faith-based pro-
14 grams, and youth programs;

15 “(C) support dissemination of prevention
16 strategies and approaches throughout the State,
17 territorial, and Tribal communities; and

18 “(D) use up to 5 percent of funds awarded
19 under this section to procure technical assist-
20 ance from a list of providers approved by the
21 Secretary, from peer-to-peer technical assist-
22 ance from other grantees under this section, or
23 from both.

24 “(6) REPORTS AND EVALUATION.—Each entity
25 receiving a grant under this section shall submit a

1 performance report to the Secretary at such time as
2 shall be reasonably required by the Secretary. Such
3 performance report shall describe the activities that
4 have been carried out with such grant funds, contain
5 an evaluation of the effectiveness of such activities,
6 and provide such additional information as the Sec-
7 retary may reasonably require.”.

8 **SEC. 18. ADDITIONAL GRANT PROGRAMS.**

9 The Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (42
10 U.S.C. 10401 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end
11 the following:

12 **“SEC. 315. GRANTS FOR UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS.**

13 “(a) PURPOSE.—It is the purpose of this section to
14 provide grants to assist communities in mobilizing and or-
15 ganizing resources in support of effective and sustainable
16 programs that will prevent and address domestic violence
17 experienced by underserved populations.

18 “(b) AUTHORITY TO AWARD GRANTS.—The Sec-
19 retary, acting through the Director of the Division of
20 Family Violence Prevention and Services, shall award ca-
21 pacity building, implementation, and evaluation grants to
22 eligible entities to assist in developing, implementing, and
23 evaluating culturally and linguistically appropriate, com-
24 munity-driven strategies to prevent and address domestic
25 violence in underserved communities.

1 “(c) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—To be eligible to receive
2 a grant under this section, an entity shall—

3 “(1) with respect to the programs under sub-
4 sections (d) and (e), be—

5 “(A) a population specific organization
6 that has demonstrated experience and expertise
7 in providing population specific services in the
8 relevant underserved communities, or a popu-
9 lation specific organization working in partner-
10 ship with a victim service provider or domestic
11 violence or sexual assault coalition; or

12 “(B) a victim service provider offering pop-
13 ulation-specific services for a specific under-
14 served population; or

15 “(2) with respect to the program under sub-
16 section (f), be an eligible entity described in para-
17 graph (1) that is working in collaboration with an
18 entity specializing in evaluation with documented ex-
19 perience working with targeted underserved popu-
20 lations;

21 “(d) CAPACITY BUILDING GRANTS.—

22 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall award
23 grants to eligible entities to support the capacity
24 building, planning, and development of programs for
25 underserved communities that utilize community-

1 driven intervention and prevention strategies that
2 address the barriers to domestic violence services,
3 raise awareness of domestic violence, and promote
4 community engagement in the prevention of domes-
5 tic violence in targeted underserved populations in
6 the target community. Such grants may be used
7 to—

8 “(A) expand the collaboration that is rep-
9 resented by the eligible entity through the iden-
10 tification of additional partners, particularly
11 among targeted underserved communities, and
12 establish linkages with national, State, Tribal,
13 or local public and private partners, which may
14 include community health workers, advocacy,
15 and policy organizations;

16 “(B) establish community working groups;

17 “(C) conduct a needs assessment of tar-
18 geted underserved populations to determine the
19 barriers to access and factors contributing to
20 such barriers, using input from targeted under-
21 served communities;

22 “(D) participate in training and technical
23 assistance sponsored by the Family Violence
24 Prevention and Services program for program

1 development, implementation, evaluation, and
2 other programmatic issues;

3 “(E) use up to 5 percent of funds awarded
4 under this subsection to procure technical as-
5 sistance from a list of providers approved by
6 the Family Violence Prevention and Services
7 program;

8 “(F) identify promising intervention and
9 prevention strategies;

10 “(G) develop a plan with the input of tar-
11 geted underserved communities that includes
12 strategies for—

13 “(i) implementing intervention and
14 prevention strategies that have the greatest
15 potential for addressing the barriers to ac-
16 cessing services, raising awareness of do-
17 mestic violence, and promoting community
18 engagement in the prevention of domestic
19 violence within targeted underserved popu-
20 lations;

21 “(ii) identifying other sources of rev-
22 enue and integrating current and proposed
23 funding sources to ensure long-term sus-
24 tainability of the program; and

1 “(iii) evaluating the program, includ-
2 ing collecting data and measuring progress
3 toward addressing domestic violence or
4 raising awareness of domestic violence in
5 targeted underserved populations; and

6 “(H) conduct an evaluation of the planning
7 and development activities.

8 “(2) DURATION.—The period during which
9 payments may be made under a grant under para-
10 graph (1) shall not exceed 2 years, except where the
11 Secretary determines that extraordinary cir-
12 cumstances exist.

13 “(e) IMPLEMENTATION GRANTS.—

14 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall award
15 grants to eligible entities that have received a plan-
16 ning grant under subsection (d) or who already have
17 demonstrated experience and expertise in providing
18 population specific services in the relevant under-
19 served communities to enable such entities to—

20 “(A) implement a plan including interven-
21 tion services or prevention strategies to address
22 the identified barrier or awareness issue or ini-
23 tiate the community engagement strategy for
24 targeted underserved populations, in an effec-
25 tive and timely manner;

1 “(B) collect data appropriate for moni-
2 toring and evaluating the program carried out
3 under the grant;

4 “(C) analyze and interpret data, or col-
5 laborate with academic or other appropriate in-
6 stitutions, for such analysis and collection;

7 “(D) participate in training for the pur-
8 pose of informing and educating other entities
9 regarding the experiences and lessons learned
10 from the project;

11 “(E) collaborate with appropriate partners
12 to disseminate information gained from the
13 project for the benefit of other domestic vio-
14 lence programs;

15 “(F) establish mechanisms with other pub-
16 lic or private groups to maintain financial sup-
17 port for the program after the grant termi-
18 nates;

19 “(G) develop policy initiatives for systems
20 change to address the barriers or awareness
21 issue;

22 “(H) maintain relationships with local
23 partners and continue to develop new relation-
24 ships with national and State partners;

1 “(I) evaluate the implementation of the ac-
2 tivities described in this paragraph; and

3 “(J) use up to 5 percent of funds awarded
4 under this subsection to procure technical as-
5 sistance from a list of providers approved by
6 the Family Violence Prevention and Services
7 program.

8 “(2) DURATION.—The Secretary shall award
9 grants under this subsection for 3-year periods.

10 “(f) EVALUATION GRANTS.—

11 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may award
12 grants to eligible entities that have received an im-
13 plementation grant under subsection (e) and that re-
14 quire additional assistance for the purpose of rig-
15 orous data analysis, program evaluation (including
16 process and outcome measures), or dissemination of
17 findings.

18 “(2) PRIORITY.—In awarding grants under this
19 subsection, the Secretary shall give priority to—

20 “(A) entities that in previous funding cy-
21 cles—

22 “(i) have received a grant under sub-
23 section (d); or

24 “(ii) established population specific
25 organizations that have demonstrated ex-

1 perience and expertise in providing popu-
2 lation-specific services in the relevant un-
3 derserved communities programs; and

4 “(B) entities that incorporate best prac-
5 tices or build on successful models in their ac-
6 tion plan, including the use of community advo-
7 cates.

8 “(3) DURATION.—The period during which
9 payments may be made under a grant under para-
10 graph (1) shall not exceed 2 years, except where the
11 Secretary determines that extraordinary cir-
12 cumstances exist.

13 “(g) NONSUPPLANTATION.—Funds provided under
14 this section shall be used to supplement and not supplant
15 other Federal, State, and local public funds expended to
16 provide services and activities that promote the purposes
17 of this title.

18 “(h) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, EVALUATION, AND
19 MONITORING.—

20 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Of the funds appropriated
21 under this section for each fiscal year—

22 “(A) up to 5 percent may be used by the
23 Secretary for evaluation, monitoring and other
24 administrative costs under this section; and

1 Administration on Children, Youth, and Families (referred
2 to in this section as the ‘Director’), shall establish a grant
3 program to establish or enhance culturally competent serv-
4 ices for victims of domestic violence from racial and ethnic
5 minority populations.

6 “(b) PURPOSES.—

7 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The purposes of the grant
8 program under this section are to—

9 “(A) develop and support innovative cul-
10 turally competent community-based programs
11 to enhance access to shelter services or sup-
12 portive services to further the purposes of fam-
13 ily violence, domestic violence, and dating vio-
14 lence intervention and prevention for all victims
15 of family violence, domestic violence, or dating
16 violence from racial and ethnic minority popu-
17 lations who face obstacles to using more tradi-
18 tional services and resources;

19 “(B) strengthen the capacity and further
20 the leadership development of individuals in ra-
21 cial and ethnic minority populations to address
22 family violence, domestic violence, and dating
23 violence in their communities; and

24 “(C) promote strategic partnership devel-
25 opment and collaboration, including with health,

1 early childhood programs, economic support
2 programs, schools, child welfare, workforce de-
3 velopment, domestic violence programs, other
4 community-based programs, faith-based pro-
5 grams, and youth programs, in order to further
6 a public health approach to addressing domestic
7 violence and dating violence.

8 “(2) USE OF FUNDS.—

9 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Director shall
10 award grants to programs based in the targeted
11 community to establish or enhance domestic vi-
12 olence and dating violence intervention and pre-
13 vention efforts that address distinctive cul-
14 turally competent responses to domestic vio-
15 lence and dating violence in racial and ethnic
16 minority populations.

17 “(B) NEW PROGRAMS.—In carrying out
18 this section, the Secretary may award initial
19 planning and capacity building grants to eligible
20 entities that are establishing new programs in
21 order to support the planning and development
22 of culturally competent programs.

23 “(C) COMPETITIVE BASIS.—The Secretary
24 shall ensure that grants are awarded, to the ex-
25 tent practical, only on a competitive basis, and

1 that a grant is awarded for a proposal only if
2 the proposal has been recommended for such an
3 award through a process of peer review.

4 “(D) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—Up to 5
5 percent of funds appropriated under this sec-
6 tion for a fiscal year shall be available for tech-
7 nical assistance to be used by the grantees to
8 access training and technical assistance from
9 organizations that have entered into a coopera-
10 tive agreement with the Director to provide
11 training and technical assistance regarding the
12 provision of effective culturally competent, com-
13 munity-based services for racial and ethnic mi-
14 nority populations.

15 “(3) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING.—
16 The Director shall enter into cooperative agreements
17 or contracts with organizations having a dem-
18 onstrated expertise in and whose primary purpose is
19 addressing the development and provision of cul-
20 turally competent community-based services to vic-
21 tims of domestic violence and dating violence from
22 the targeted populations to provide training and
23 technical assistance for grantees.

24 “(c) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—To be eligible for a grant
25 under this section, an entity shall—

1 “(1) be a private nonprofit, nongovernmental
2 organization that is—

3 “(A) a community-based organization
4 whose primary purpose is providing culturally
5 competent services to victims of domestic vio-
6 lence and dating violence from racial and ethnic
7 minority populations; or

8 “(B) a community-based organization
9 whose primary purpose is providing culturally
10 competent services to individuals from racial
11 and ethnic minority populations that can part-
12 ner with an organization having demonstrated
13 expertise in serving victims of domestic violence
14 and dating violence; and

15 “(2) have a board of directors and staffing
16 which is reflective of the targeted minority group.

17 “(d) CULTURAL COMPETENCY OF SERVICES.—The
18 Secretary shall ensure that information and services pro-
19 vided pursuant to this section are provided in the lan-
20 guage, educational, and cultural context that is most ap-
21 propriate for the individuals for whom the information and
22 services are intended.

23 “(e) GRANT PERIOD.—The Director shall award
24 grants for a 3-year period, with a possible extension of

1 another 2 years to further implementation of the projects
2 under the grant.

3 “(f) NONEXCLUSIVITY.—Nothing in this section shall
4 be interpreted to exclude linguistic and culturally specific
5 community-based entities from applying for other sources
6 of funding available under this title.

7 “(g) REPORTS AND EVALUATION.—Each entity re-
8 ceiving funds under this section shall file a performance
9 report at such times as requested by the Secretary describ-
10 ing the activities that have been carried out with such
11 grant funds and providing such additional information as
12 the Secretary may require.”.

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