



The National Sexual Assault Coalition Resource Sharing Project

ReShape Newsletter

Working together to end sexual violence.



Coalition Toolkit - Funding and Financial Management

Want to talk about accountability? Spend time with coalition fiscal managers and bookkeepers. They do such important work. They may not receive as much appreciation from the general public as other parts of coalition work. But they have a lot to teach us about consistency, dealing with complexity, and follow through.

From keeping up with accounting and bookkeeping regulations that vary across funding source to managing cash flows and helping us make wise financial decisions, in many ways they are at the heart of our daily work.

Maintaining the fiscal health and on-going management of our organizational funding is vital work. Accuracy and precision are particularly important for the success of this part of our organizations.

To help ease the difficulty of understanding financial and funding information, we've compiled resources specific to coalition funding at the federal level.

In this edition of ReShape, part of a series on the RSP Coalition Toolkit, we highlight two sections that provide more insight into what coalitions need to keep the lights on, doors open, and everyone paid.

To access the entire toolkit: <http://www.resourcesharingproject.org/coalition-toolkit>

To read other parts of the RSP Coalition Toolkit ReShape series:

- History & Anti-Oppression (Jan 2020): <http://www.resourcesharingproject.org/reshape-coalition-toolkit-history-anti-oppression-resources-jan-2020>
- Advocacy (March 2020): <http://www.resourcesharingproject.org/reshape-coalition-toolkit-advocacy-resources-march-2020>
- Personnel and Future Planning (May 2020): <http://www.resourcesharingproject.org/reshape-coalition-toolkit-personnel-future-planning-may-2020>

Financial Management

<http://www.resourcesharingproject.org/financial-management>



What is it and how do we do it? A lot of that depends on the sources of our funding. This section of the toolkit includes resources for both coalitions and local programs to better understand Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), basic accounting terms such as “cash basis” and “accrual basis”, and how to allocate costs across different grants. The resources also provide ideas for sharing fiscal information with board members, setting up internal controls, and connecting the story of our finances with our organizational mission.

Federal Grants Administration

<http://www.resource-sharing-project.org/coalition-funding>



Looking to better understand Sexual Assault Service Program (SASP) formula funding, how OVW, OJP, and HHS are connected at the federal level, and what all these acronyms mean? This is the section of the toolkit to visit. This part of the toolkit covers the main sources of federal funding that support sexual assault services and coalition work specifically. Also included in this section is a coalition perspective on becoming an organization that passes federal funding through to local programs and how one state restructured funding to support regional sexual assault service delivery with improved outcomes for sexual assault survivors. There is also a glossary of terms related to applying for and managing the OVW coalition grant.

We want your feedback!

Take our quick, 30-second survey:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DM9JDDK>

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