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SEXUAL ASSAULT PROGRAM STATE APPROPRIATION

State Authorization: G.S. 143B-394.3

**North Carolina Department of Administration
NC Council for Women & Youth Involvement**

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Brief Description of Program:

The purpose of this program is to provide funding to programs for victims of sexual assault and to The North Carolina Coalition Against Sexual Assault, Inc. The sexual assault program shall be a nonprofit corporation or a local government entity.

The General Assembly appropriates funds each fiscal year for operation of the Sexual Assault Program. Funds appropriated from the General Fund go to the Department of Administration, North Carolina Council for Women, for the Sexual Assault and Rape Crisis Center Fund shall be distributed in two shares. The North Carolina Coalition Against Sexual Assault, Inc., and sexual assault or rape crisis centers whose services are confined to rape crisis or sexual assault services shall receive an equal share of thirty-five percent (35%) of the funds. Organizations whose services contain sexual assault or rape crisis services and domestic violence services or other support services shall receive an equal share of the remaining sixty-five percent (65%) of the funds.

Sexual assault programs basic core services include: hotline services, crisis intervention, transportation, advocacy (legal, medical, court), individual counseling, support group, and community education.

The programs are responsible to operate per the program guidelines provided.

Program funds may be expended for costs incurred in providing direct services to victims of sexual assault through counseling, intervention, and community education. These functions must be performed on a continual basis. All funds must be expended as budgeted. They include staffing, training of staff and volunteers, travel, printing, supplies, rent, utilities, communications, client costs. The purchase of equipment in excess of \$500.00-and contracts entered into for consultant services require prior written approval by the grant administrators. All line item transfers must receive prior written approval.

Grant funds may not be expended for loans, mortgage payments, taxes, entertainment costs, social activities, alcoholic beverages, flowers, bad debts, fines and penalties, cost of lobbying to influence legislators to support or vote for or against legislation or appropriations on any cost/expenditure not included in the approved budget.

Organizations Funded: ☐ Private ☐ Local Government ☒ Both

Source of Funds: State X Federal