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

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Mrs. MCBATH (for herself, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, and Mrs. KIM of California) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

A BILL

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

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; SEVERABILITY.**

4 (a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This Act may be cited as the
5 “Family Violence Prevention and Services Improvement
6 Act of 2023”.

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 (c) SEVERABILITY.—If any provision of this Act, an
4 amendment made by this Act, or the application of such
5 provision or amendment to any person or circumstance is
6 held to be unconstitutional, the remainder of this Act, the
7 amendments made by this Act, and the application of such
8 provision or amendment to any person or circumstance
9 shall not be affected thereby.

10 **SEC. 2. PURPOSE.**

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

13 “(b) PURPOSE.—It is the purpose of this title to im-
14 prove services and interventions for victims of domestic
15 violence, dating violence, and family violence, and to ad-
16 vance primary and secondary prevention of domestic vio-
17 lence, dating violence, and family violence by—

18 “(1) assisting States and territories in sup-
19 porting local domestic violence, dating violence, and
20 family violence programs to provide accessible, trau-
21 ma-informed, culturally relevant residential and non-
22 residential services to domestic violence, dating vio-
23 lence, and family violence victims and their children
24 and dependents;

1 “(2) strengthening the capacity of Indian
2 Tribes to exercise their sovereign authority to re-
3 spond to domestic violence, dating violence, and fam-
4 ily violence committed against Indians;

5 “(3) providing for a network of technical assist-
6 ance and training centers to support effective policy,
7 practice, research, and cross-system collaboration to
8 improve intervention and prevention efforts through-
9 out the country;

10 “(4) supporting the efforts of State, territorial,
11 and Tribal coalitions to document and address the
12 needs of victims and their children and dependents,
13 including victims and their children and dependents
14 who are underserved, implement effective coordi-
15 nated community and systems responses, and pro-
16 mote ongoing public education and community en-
17 gagement;

18 “(5) maintaining national domestic violence,
19 dating violence, and family violence hotlines, includ-
20 ing a national Indian domestic violence, dating vio-
21 lence, and family violence hotline; and

22 “(6) supporting the development and implemen-
23 tation of evidence-informed, coalition-led, and com-
24 munity-based primary prevention approaches and
25 programs.”.

1 **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

2 Section 302 (42 U.S.C. 10402) is amended to read
3 as follows:

4 **“SEC. 302. DEFINITIONS.**

5 “In this title:

6 “(1) ALASKA NATIVE.—The term ‘Alaska Na-
7 tive’ has the meaning given the term Native in sec-
8 tion 3 of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act
9 (43 U.S.C. 1602).

10 “(2) CHILD.—The term ‘child’ means an indi-
11 vidual who is younger than age 18.

12 “(3) DATING PARTNER.—

13 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘dating
14 partner’ means any person who is or has been
15 in a social relationship of a romantic or inti-
16 mate nature with an abuser, and where the ex-
17 istence of such a relationship shall be deter-
18 mined based on a consideration of one or more
19 of the following factors:

20 “(i) The length of the relationship.

21 “(ii) The type of the relationship.

22 “(iii) The frequency of interaction be-
23 tween the persons involved in the relation-
24 ship.

25 “(iv) The cultural context of the rela-
26 tionship.

1 “(B) CONSTRUCTION.—Sexual contact is
2 not a necessary component of a relationship de-
3 scribed in subparagraph (A).

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

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

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

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

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

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

13 “(E) a person who is related by marriage,
14 blood, or is otherwise legally related; or

15 “(F) 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 “(6) ECONOMIC ABUSE.—The term ‘economic
20 abuse’, when used in the context of domestic vio-
21 lence, dating violence, and family violence, means be-
22 havior that is coercive or deceptive related to a per-
23 son’s ability to acquire, use, or maintain economic
24 resources to which they are entitled, or that unrea-
25 sonably controls or restrains a person’s ability to ac-

1 quire, use, or maintain economic resources to which
2 they are entitled. This includes using coercion,
3 fraud, or manipulation to—

4 “(A) restrict a person’s access to money,
5 assets, credit, or financial information;

6 “(B) unfairly use a person’s personal eco-
7 nomic resources, including money, assets, and
8 credit, for one’s own advantage; or

9 “(C) exert undue influence over a person’s
10 financial and economic behavior or decisions,
11 including forcing default on joint or other fi-
12 nancial obligations, exploiting powers of attor-
13 ney, guardianship, or conservatorship, or failing
14 or neglecting to act in the best interests of a
15 person to whom one has a fiduciary duty.

16 “(7) INDIAN; INDIAN TRIBE; TRIBAL ORGANIZA-
17 TION.—The terms ‘Indian’, ‘Indian Tribe’, and
18 ‘Tribal organization’ have the meanings given the
19 terms ‘Indian’, ‘Indian tribe’, and ‘tribal organiza-
20 tion’, respectively, in section 4 of the Indian Self-De-
21 termination and Education Assistance Act (25
22 U.S.C. 5304).

23 “(8) INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.—
24 The term ‘institution of higher education’ has the

1 meaning given such term in section 101 of the High-
2 er Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001).

3 “(9) NATIVE HAWAIIAN; NATIVE HAWAIIAN OR-
4 GANIZATION.—The terms ‘Native Hawaiian’ and
5 ‘Native Hawaiian organization’ have the meanings
6 given such terms in section 6207 of the Native Ha-
7 waiian Education Act (20 U.S.C. 7517).

8 “(10) PERSONALLY IDENTIFYING INFORMA-
9 TION.—The term ‘personally identifying information’
10 has the meaning given the term in section 40002(a)
11 of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (34
12 U.S.C. 12291(a)).

13 “(11) POPULATION SPECIFIC SERVICES.—The
14 term ‘population specific services’ has the meaning
15 given such term in section 40002(a) of the Violence
16 Against Women Act (34 U.S.C. 12291(a)).

17 “(12) RACIAL AND ETHNIC MINORITY GROUP;
18 RACIAL AND ETHNIC MINORITY POPULATION.—The
19 terms ‘racial and ethnic minority group’ and ‘racial
20 and ethnic minority population’ include each group
21 listed in the definition of such term in section
22 1707(g) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C.
23 300u–6(g)).

24 “(13) SECRETARY.—The term ‘Secretary’
25 means the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

1 “(14) SHELTER.—The term ‘shelter’ means the
2 provision of temporary refuge and basic necessities,
3 in conjunction with supportive services, provided on
4 a regular basis, in compliance with applicable State,
5 Tribal, territorial, or local law to victims of domestic
6 violence, dating violence, or family violence and their
7 children and dependents. Such law includes regula-
8 tions governing the provision of safe homes and
9 other forms of secure temporary lodging, meals,
10 other basic necessities, or supportive services to vic-
11 tims of domestic violence, dating violence, or family
12 violence and their children and dependents.

13 “(15) STATE.—The term ‘State’ means each of
14 the several States, the District of Columbia, the
15 Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and, except as other-
16 wise provided, Guam, American Samoa, the United
17 States Virgin Islands, and the Commonwealth of the
18 Northern Mariana Islands.

19 “(16) STATE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COALI-
20 TION.—The term ‘State Domestic Violence Coalition’
21 means a statewide nongovernmental nonprofit pri-
22 vate domestic violence, dating violence, and family
23 organization designated by the Secretary that—

24 “(A) has a membership that includes a
25 majority of the primary-purpose domestic vio-

1 ence, dating violence, and family violence serv-
2 ice providers in the State;

3 “(B) has board membership that is rep-
4 resentative of primary-purpose domestic vio-
5 lence, dating violence, and family violence serv-
6 ice providers, and which may include represent-
7 atives of the communities in which the services
8 are being provided in the State;

9 “(C) has as its purpose to provide edu-
10 cation, support, and technical assistance to such
11 service providers to enable the providers to es-
12 tablish and maintain shelter and supportive
13 services for victims of domestic violence, dating
14 violence, and family violence and their children
15 and dependents; and

16 “(D) serves as an information clearing-
17 house, primary point of contact, and resource
18 center on domestic violence, dating violence,
19 and family violence for the State and supports
20 the development of policies, protocols, and proce-
21 dures to enhance domestic violence, dating vio-
22 lence, and family violence intervention and pre-
23 vention in the State.

24 “(17) SUPPORTIVE SERVICES.—The term ‘sup-
25 portive services’ means services for adult and youth

1 victims of domestic violence, dating violence, or fam-
2 ily violence, and children and dependents exposed to
3 domestic violence, dating violence, or family violence,
4 that are designed to—

5 “(A) meet the needs of such victims of do-
6 mestic violence, dating violence, or family vio-
7 lence, and their children and dependents, for
8 short-term, transitional, or long-term safety;
9 and

10 “(B) provide counseling, advocacy, or as-
11 sistance for victims of domestic violence, dating
12 violence, or family violence, and their children
13 and dependents.

14 “(18) TECHNOLOGICAL ABUSE.—The term
15 ‘technological abuse’ means an act or pattern of be-
16 havior that—

17 “(A) occurs within domestic violence, dat-
18 ing violence, or family violence;

19 “(B) is intended to harm, threaten, intimi-
20 date, control, stalk, harass, impersonate, ex-
21 ploit, extort, or monitor, except as otherwise
22 permitted by law, another person; and

23 “(C) uses any form of information tech-
24 nology, including any of the following:

25 “(i) Internet-enabled devices.

1 “(ii) Online spaces or platforms.

2 “(iii) Computers, mobile devices, or
3 software applications.

4 “(iv) Location tracking devices.

5 “(v) Communication technologies.

6 “(vi) Cameras or imaging platforms.

7 “(vii) Any other emerging technology.

8 “(19) TRIBAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COALI-
9 TION.—The term ‘Tribal domestic violence coalition’
10 means an established nonprofit, nongovernmental
11 Indian organization recognized by the Office of Vio-
12 lence Against Women at the Department of Justice
13 that—

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

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

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

3 “(ii) the Tribal communities in which
4 the services are being provided.

5 “(20) TRIBALLY DESIGNATED OFFICIAL.—The
6 term ‘Tribally designated official’ means an indi-
7 vidual designated by an Indian Tribe, Tribal organi-
8 zation, or nonprofit private organization authorized
9 by an Indian Tribe, to administer a grant under sec-
10 tion 309.

11 “(21) UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS; UNDER-
12 SERVED INDIVIDUALS.—The terms ‘underserved
13 populations’ and ‘underserved individuals’ mean vic-
14 tims of domestic violence, dating violence, or family
15 violence, and their children and dependents who face
16 obstacles in accessing and using State, Tribal, terri-
17 torial, or local domestic violence, dating violence, or
18 family violence services, or who may be overrepre-
19 sented in experiencing domestic violence, dating vio-
20 lence, or family violence due to historical barriers.
21 Populations may be underserved on the basis of,
22 marginalized racial and ethnic minority populations,
23 Indigenous status, cultural and language barriers,
24 immigration status, disabilities, mental health needs,
25 sexual orientation or gender identity, age (including

1 both elders and children), geographical location,
2 faith or religious practice or lack thereof, or other
3 bases, as determined by the Secretary.

4 “(22) VICTIM.—The term ‘victim’ means an in-
5 dividual against whom an act of domestic violence,
6 dating violence, or family violence is carried out.

7 “(23) YOUTH.—The term ‘youth’ has the
8 meaning given the term in section 4002(a) of the Vi-
9 olence Against Women Act (34 U.S.C.
10 12291(a)(45)).”.

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

12 Section 303 (42 U.S.C. 10403) is amended to read
13 as follows:

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

15 “(a) AUTHORIZATION.—

16 “(1) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized to be
17 appropriated to carry out sections 301 through 312
18 and 316, \$270,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2024
19 through 2028.

20 “(2) RESERVATIONS FOR GRANTS TO TRIBES.—
21 Of the amounts appropriated under paragraph (1)
22 for a fiscal year, 12.5 percent shall be reserved and
23 used to carry out section 309.

24 “(3) FORMULA GRANTS TO STATES.—Of the
25 amounts appropriated under paragraph (1) for a fis-

1 cal year and not reserved under paragraph (2) (re-
2 ferred to in this subsection as the ‘remainder’), not
3 less than 70 percent shall be used for making grants
4 under section 306(a).

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

8 “(5) GRANTS FOR STATE AND TRIBAL DOMES-
9 TIC VIOLENCE COALITIONS.—Of the remainder—

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

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

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

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

20 “(8) ADMINISTRATION, EVALUATION, AND MON-
21 ITORING.—Of the remainder, not more than 3.5 per-
22 cent shall be used by the Secretary for evaluation,
23 monitoring, and other administrative costs under
24 this title.

1 “(b) NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE.—
2 There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out section
3 313 \$14,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2024 through
4 2028.

5 “(c) NATIONAL INDIAN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOT-
6 LINE.—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry
7 out section 313A \$4,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2024
8 through 2028.

9 “(d) DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION ENHANCE-
10 MENT AND LEADERSHIP THROUGH ALLIANCES.—There
11 is authorized to be appropriated to carry out section 314
12 \$26,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2024 through 2028.

13 “(e) GRANTS FOR UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS.—
14 There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out section
15 315 \$10,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2024 through
16 2028.

17 “(f) RESEARCH AND EVALUATION.—There is author-
18 ized to be appropriated for research and evaluation of ac-
19 tivities under this title \$3,500,000 for each of fiscal years
20 2024 through 2028.”.

21 **SEC. 5. AUTHORITY OF SECRETARY.**

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

23 (1) in subsection (a)—

24 (A) in paragraph (3), by inserting “or in-
25 stitutions of higher education, including to sup-

1 port and evaluate demonstration or discre-
2 tionary projects in response to current and
3 emerging issues,” after “nongovernmental enti-
4 ties”; and

5 (B) in paragraph (4), by striking “CAPTA
6 Reauthorization Act of 2010” and inserting
7 “Family Violence Prevention and Services Im-
8 provement Act of 2023”;

9 (2) in subsection (b)—

10 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “have ex-
11 pertise in the field of family violence and do-
12 mestic violence prevention and services and, to
13 the extent practicable, have expertise in the
14 field of dating violence;” and inserting “have
15 expertise in the field of domestic violence, dat-
16 ing violence, and family violence prevention and
17 services;”;

18 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “preven-
19 tion and treatment of” and inserting “preven-
20 tion of, intervention in, and treatment of;” and

21 (C) in paragraph (3)—

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

24 (ii) by adding after subparagraph (C)
25 the following:

1 “(D) making grants to eligible entities or
2 entering into contracts with for-profit or non-
3 profit nongovernmental entities or institutions
4 of higher education to conduct domestic vio-
5 lence, dating violence, and family violence re-
6 search or evaluation; and”;

7 (3) by adding at the end the following:

8 “(d) EMERGENCY AUTHORITY.—

9 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In response to any emer-
10 gency or disaster described in paragraph (3) that
11 substantially disrupts the provision of services under
12 this title, for the duration of the emergency or dis-
13 aster, the Secretary may—

14 “(A) modify or broaden the allowable uses
15 of funds by grantees and subgrantees solely to
16 ensure the continuity of services authorized
17 under this title, including for remote and mobile
18 service delivery; and

19 “(B) modify or waive any administrative
20 conditions, processes, or deadlines, including
21 with respect to—

22 “(i) application requirements;

23 “(ii) reporting requirements; and

24 “(iii) grant award extensions.

1 “(2) CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sub-
2 section shall be construed to allow altering or
3 waiving the requirements in section 306(c)(2).

4 “(3) EMERGENCIES DESCRIBED.—The emer-
5 gencies and disasters described in this paragraph are
6 the following:

7 “(A) A major disaster declared by the
8 President under section 401 of the Robert T.
9 Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assist-
10 ance Act (42 U.S.C. 5170).

11 “(B) An emergency declared by the Presi-
12 dent under section 501 of the Robert T. Staf-
13 ford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance
14 Act (42 U.S.C. 5191).

15 “(C) A public health emergency deter-
16 mined by the Secretary of Health and Human
17 Services pursuant to section 319 of the Public
18 Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 247d).”.

19 **SEC. 6. ALLOTMENT OF FUNDS.**

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

21 (1) by amending subsection (a) to read as fol-
22 lows:

23 “(a) IN GENERAL.—From the sums appropriated
24 under section 303 and available for grants to States under
25 section 306(a) for any fiscal year, each State shall be allot-

1 ted for a grant under section 306(a), \$600,000, with the
 2 remaining funds to be allotted to each State (other than
 3 Guam, American Samoa, the United States Virgin Is-
 4 lands, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana
 5 Islands) in an amount that bears the same ratio to such
 6 remaining funds as the population of such State bears to
 7 the population of all such States (excluding Guam, Amer-
 8 ican Samoa, the United States Virgin Islands, and the
 9 Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands).”;

10 (2) in subsection (e), by striking “under section
 11 314” each place such term appears and inserting
 12 “under this title”; and

13 (3) by striking subsection (f).

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

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

16 (1) in subsection (a)—

17 (A) in paragraph (2), by striking “depend-
 18 ents” and inserting “children and dependents”;

19 and

20 (B) in paragraph (3), by inserting “Indi-
 21 ans, members of Indian Tribes, or” after “who
 22 are”;

23 (2) in subsection (c)—

24 (A) in paragraph (2)—

1 (i) by amending subparagraph (A) to
2 read as follows:

3 “(A) APPLICATION OF CIVIL RIGHTS PRO-
4 VISIONS.—Programs and activities funded in
5 whole or in part with funds made available
6 under this title are considered to be programs
7 and activities receiving Federal financial assist-
8 ance for the purpose of applying the prohibi-
9 tions against discrimination under the Age Dis-
10 crimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. 6101 et
11 seq.), section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of
12 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794), title IX of the Edu-
13 cation Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. 1681 et
14 seq.), section 40002(b)(13)(A) of the Violence
15 Against Women Act of 1994 (34 U.S.C.
16 12291(b)(13)(A)), and title VI of the Civil
17 Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d et
18 seq.).”;

19 (ii) in subparagraph (B)(i)—

20 (I) by inserting “, including sex-
21 ual orientation or gender identity,”
22 after “on the ground of sex”; and

23 (II) by striking the second sen-
24 tence and inserting the following: “If
25 sex-segregated or sex-specific pro-

1 programming is necessary to the essential
2 operation of a program, nothing in
3 this paragraph shall prevent any such
4 program or activity from being pro-
5 vided in a sex-specific manner. In
6 such circumstances, grantees may
7 meet the requirements of this para-
8 graph by providing comparable serv-
9 ices to individuals who cannot be pro-
10 vided with the sex-segregated or sex-
11 specific programming.”;

12 (iii) in subparagraph (C)—

13 (I) by striking “Indian tribe”
14 and inserting “Indian Tribe”; and

15 (II) by striking “tribally” and in-
16 serting “Tribally”; and

17 (iv) in subparagraph (D), by striking
18 “Indian tribe” and inserting “Indian
19 Tribe”;

20 (B) by striking paragraph (4);

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

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

24 (i) in subparagraph (A), by adding at
25 the end the following: “The nondisclosure

1 of confidential or private information re-
2 quirements under section 40002(b)(2) of
3 the Violence Against Women Act of 1994
4 (34 U.S.C. 12291(b)(2)) shall apply to
5 grantees and subgrantees under this title
6 in the same manner such requirements
7 apply to grantees and subgrantees under
8 such Act.”;

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

11 (iii) by striking subparagraphs (B),
12 (C), (D), and (F); and

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

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

17 (i) by striking “Indian tribe” and in-
18 sserting “Indian Tribe”; and

19 (ii) by striking “tribal” and inserting
20 “Tribal”; and

21 (3) in subsection (d) by inserting “and informa-
22 tion on the development and implementation of bar-
23 rier removal plans to ensure compliance with the
24 Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and section

1 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C.
2 794)” after “activities,”.

3 **SEC. 8. STATE APPLICATION.**

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

5 (1) in subsection (a)—

6 (A) in paragraph (1)—

7 (i) by striking “tribally” and inserting
8 “Tribally”; and

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

15 (B) in paragraph (2)—

16 (i) in subparagraph (B)—

17 (I) in the matter preceding clause

18 (i), by striking “assurances” and in-
19 serting “certifications”; and

20 (II) in clause (iii)—

21 (aa) in subclause (I)—

22 (AA) by striking “oper-
23 ation of shelters” and insert-
24 ing “provision of shelter”;
25 and

1 (BB) by striking “de-
2 pendants” and inserting
3 “children and dependents”;
4 and
5 (bb) in subclause (II), by
6 striking “dependents” and insert-
7 ing “children and dependents”;
8 (ii) in subparagraph (C), by striking
9 “an assurance” and inserting “a certifi-
10 cation”;
11 (iii) in subparagraph (D)—
12 (I) by striking “an assurance”
13 and inserting “a certification”;
14 (II) by striking “planning and
15 monitoring” and inserting “planning,
16 coordination, and monitoring”; and
17 (III) by striking “and the admin-
18 istration of the grant programs and
19 projects” and inserting “, the admin-
20 istration of the grant programs and
21 projects, and the establishment of
22 service standards and best practices
23 for grantees”;
24 (iv) in subparagraph (E), by striking
25 “to underserved populations” and all that

1 follows through the semicolon and insert-
2 ing “for individuals from racial and ethnic
3 minority groups, Tribal populations, and
4 other underserved populations, in the State
5 planning process, and how the State plan
6 addresses the unmet needs of such popu-
7 lations, including a certification and de-
8 scription of how the State or Indian Tribe
9 will disseminate information about the na-
10 tional resource centers authorized under
11 section 310;”;

12 (v) in subparagraphs (E), (F), and
13 (G), by striking “Indian tribe” each place
14 such term appears and inserting “Indian
15 Tribe”;

16 (vi) in subparagraph (G), by striking
17 “tribally” and inserting “Tribally”;

18 (vii) by redesignating subparagraphs
19 (H) and (I) as subparagraphs (I) and (J),
20 respectively;

21 (viii) by inserting after subparagraph
22 (G) the following:

23 “(H) describe how activities and services
24 provided by the State or Indian Tribe are de-
25 signed to promote trauma-informed care, auton-

1 omy, and privacy for victims of domestic vio-
2 lence, dating violence, and family violence, and
3 their children and dependents, including in the
4 design and delivery of shelter services;”;

5 (ix) in subparagraph (I), as so redes-
6 ignated—

7 (I) by striking “tribe” and insert-
8 ing “Tribe”;

9 (II) by striking “an assurance”
10 and inserting “a certification”;

11 (III) by inserting “, remove, or
12 exclude” after “bar”; and

13 (IV) by striking “and” at the
14 end;

15 (x) in subparagraph (J), as so redes-
16 ignated, by striking the period at the end
17 and inserting “; and”; and

18 (xi) by adding at the end the fol-
19 lowing:

20 “(K) provide a certification that all funded
21 entities demonstrate the ability to provide serv-
22 ices for Deaf individuals and individuals with
23 disabilities in compliance with the Americans
24 with Disabilities Act of 1990 and section 504 of

1 the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C.
2 794).”; and

3 (2) in subsection (b)—

4 (A) in paragraph (2), by striking “tribe”
5 each place such term appears and inserting
6 “Tribe”; and

7 (B) in paragraph (3), by striking “Indian
8 tribes” each place such term appears and in-
9 serting “Indian Tribes”.

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

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

12 (1) in subsection (a)—

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

15 (B) by striking “dependents” and inserting
16 “children and dependents”;

17 (2) in subsection (b)—

18 (A) in paragraph (1)—

19 (i) in the matter preceding subpara-
20 graph (A)—

21 (I) by striking “shelter, sup-
22 portive services, or prevention serv-
23 ices” and inserting “shelter or sup-
24 portive services”;

1 (II) by inserting “or prevention
2 services” after “dependents,”; and

3 (III) by striking “include—” and
4 inserting “include making material
5 improvements in the accessibility of
6 physical structures, transportation,
7 communication, or digital services, as
8 well as—”;

9 (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking
10 “developing safety plans” and inserting
11 “safety planning”;

12 (iii) in subparagraph (E), by inserting
13 “for racial and ethnic minority groups” be-
14 fore the semicolon;

15 (iv) by redesignating subparagraphs
16 (F) through (H) as subparagraphs (G)
17 through (I), respectively;

18 (v) by inserting after subparagraph
19 (E) the following:

20 “(F) provision of shelter and services to
21 underserved populations;”;

22 (vi) in subparagraph (H), as so redес-
23 igned—

1 (I) in clause (i), by striking
2 “Federal and State” and inserting
3 “Federal, State, and local”;

4 (II) in clause (iii), by striking
5 “mental health, alcohol, and drug
6 abuse treatment), but which shall not
7 include reimbursement for any health
8 care services” and inserting “mental
9 health and substance use disorder
10 treatment)”;

11 (III) in clause (v), by striking “;
12 and” and inserting a semicolon;

13 (IV) by redesignating clause (vi)
14 as clause (vii);

15 (V) by inserting after clause (v)
16 the following:

17 “(vi) language assistance, including
18 translation of written materials and tele-
19 phonic and in-person interpreter services,
20 for victims with limited English pro-
21 ficiency, victims who are Deaf or hard of
22 hearing, victims with sensory disabilities
23 (including individuals who are blind or low
24 vision), victims with speech-related disabil-

1 ities, and victims with other disabilities;
2 and”; and

3 (VI) in clause (vii), as so redesign-
4 nated, by striking “and” at the end;

5 (vii) in subparagraph (I), as so redesi-
6 gnated, by striking the period at the end
7 and inserting “; and”; and

8 (viii) by adding at the end the fol-
9 lowing:

10 “(J) partnerships that enhance the design
11 and delivery of services to victims and their
12 children and dependents.”;

13 (B) in paragraph (2)—

14 (i) by striking “supportive services
15 and prevention services” and inserting
16 “supportive services or prevention serv-
17 ices”; and

18 (ii) by striking “through (H)” and in-
19 serting “through (I)”;

20 (C) by striking “dependents” each place
21 such term appears (other than in paragraph
22 (1)(J)) and inserting “children and depend-
23 ents”; and

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

1 “(3) SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING USE OF
2 FUNDS FOR REMOVAL OF ARCHITECTURAL BAR-
3 RIERS TO ACCESSIBILITY.—It is the sense of the
4 Congress that—

5 “(A) Deaf individuals and individuals with
6 disabilities experience domestic violence, dating
7 violence, and family violence at disproportionate
8 rates;

9 “(B) domestic violence shelters are often
10 not equipped to provide effective services to
11 Deaf individuals and individuals with disabil-
12 ities, which can act as an impediment to victims
13 seeking and receiving services; and

14 “(C) the Secretary should allow subgrant
15 funds received under this section to be used for
16 making material improvements in the accessi-
17 bility of physical structures, transportation,
18 communication, or digital services.”;

19 (3) in subsection (c)—

20 (A) in paragraph (1)—

21 (i) by striking “a local public agency,
22 or”;

23 (ii) by striking “tribal organizations,
24 and voluntary associations),” and inserting

1 “Tribal organizations and voluntary asso-
2 ciations) or a local public agency”; and

3 (iii) by striking “dependents” and in-
4 serting “children and dependents”; and

5 (B) by amending paragraph (2) to read as
6 follows:

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

15 (4) by amending subsection (d) to read as fol-
16 lows:

17 “(d) VOLUNTARILY ACCEPTED SERVICES.—Partici-
18 pation in services under this title shall be voluntary. Re-
19 ceipt of the benefits of shelter described in subsection
20 (b)(1)(A) shall not be conditioned upon the participation
21 of the adult or youth, or their children or dependents, in
22 any or all of the services offered under this title.”.

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

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

25 (1) in subsection (a)—

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

3 (B) by striking “tribal” and inserting
4 “Tribal”;

5 (C) by striking “Indian tribes” and insert-
6 ing “Indian Tribes”; and

7 (D) by striking “section 303(a)(2)(B)”
8 and inserting “section 303 and made avail-
9 able”; and
10 (2) in subsection (b)—

11 (A) by striking “Indian tribe” each place
12 such term appears and inserting “Indian
13 Tribe”; and

14 (B) by striking “tribal organization” each
15 place such term appears and inserting “Tribal
16 organization”.

17 **SEC. 11. NATIONAL RESOURCE CENTERS AND TRAINING**
18 **AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CENTERS.**

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

20 (1) in subsection (a)(2)—

21 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph
22 (A), by striking “under this title and reserved
23 under section 303(a)(2)(C)” and inserting
24 “under section 303 and made available to carry
25 out this section”;

1 (B) in subparagraph (A)—

2 (i) in clause (i), by striking “; and”

3 and inserting a semicolon;

4 (ii) in clause (ii)—

5 (I) by striking “7” and inserting

6 “11”; and

7 (II) by inserting “dating violence,

8 and family violence,” after “domestic

9 violence,”; and

10 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-

11 lowing:

12 “(iii) an Alaska Native Tribal re-

13 source center on domestic violence, dating

14 violence, and family violence, to reduce dis-

15 parities in the rate of such violence within

16 the Alaska Native population;

17 “(iv) a Native Hawaiian resource cen-

18 ter on domestic violence, to reduce Native

19 Hawaiian disparities; and”;

20 (C) in subparagraph (B)—

21 (i) in the matter preceding clause (i),

22 by striking “grants, to” and inserting

23 “grants to entities that focus on other crit-

24 ical issues, such as”;

25 (ii) in clause (i)—

1 (I) by inserting “, dating vio-
2 lence, and family violence,” after “do-
3 mestic violence”;

4 (II) by striking “(including Alas-
5 ka Native)”; and

6 (III) by striking “and” at the
7 end; and

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

10 “(ii) entities demonstrating expertise
11 related to—

12 “(I) addressing the housing
13 needs of domestic violence, dating vio-
14 lence, and family violence victims and
15 their children and dependents;

16 “(II) developing leadership and
17 advocacy skills among individuals
18 from underserved populations; or

19 “(III) addressing other emerging
20 issues related to domestic violence,
21 dating violence, or family violence.”;

22 (2) in subsection (b)—

23 (A) in paragraph (1)—

24 (i) in subparagraph (A)—

25 (I) in clause (i)—

1 (aa) by inserting “, dating
2 violence, and family violence”
3 after “domestic violence” each
4 place such term appears; and

5 (bb) by inserting “and de-
6 pendants” after “children”; and

7 (II) in clause (ii)—

8 (aa) in the matter preceding
9 subclause (I), by inserting “on-
10 line” after “central”;

11 (bb) in subclause (I), by
12 striking “family violence and do-
13 mestic violence” and inserting
14 “domestic violence, dating vio-
15 lence, and family violence”; and

16 (cc) in subclause (II), by in-
17 serting “, dating violence, and
18 family violence” after “domestic
19 violence”; and

20 (ii) in subparagraph (B)—

21 (I) in clause (i)—

22 (aa) by striking “tribes and
23 tribal organizations” and insert-
24 ing “Tribes and Tribal organiza-
25 tions”;

1 (bb) by striking “the tribes”
2 and inserting “the Tribes”;

3 (cc) by inserting “, dating
4 violence, and family violence”
5 after “domestic violence”; and

6 (dd) by striking “42” and
7 all the follows through “3796gg–
8 10 note” and inserting “34
9 U.S.C. 10452 note”;

10 (II) in clause (ii)—

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

15 (bb) by inserting “, dating
16 violence, and family violence”
17 after “domestic violence”; and

18 (cc) by striking “42” and all
19 that follows through “3796gg–10
20 note” and inserting “34 U.S.C.
21 10452 note”; and

22 (III) in clause (iii)—

23 (aa) by inserting “dating vi-
24 olence, and family violence,”
25 after “domestic violence,”; and

1 (bb) by inserting “the Office
2 for Victims of Crime and” after
3 “Human Services, and”;

4 (B) in paragraph (2)—

5 (i) in the matter preceding subpara-
6 graph (A)—

7 (I) by striking “State and local
8 domestic violence service providers”
9 and inserting “support effective pol-
10 icy, practice, research, and cross sys-
11 tems collaboration”; and

12 (II) by inserting “, dating vio-
13 lence, and family violence” after “en-
14 hancing domestic violence”;

15 (ii) in subparagraph (A)—

16 (I) by inserting “, dating vio-
17 lence, and family violence” after “to
18 domestic violence”; and

19 (II) by striking “which may in-
20 clude the response to the use of the
21 self-defense plea by domestic violence
22 victims and the issuance and use of
23 protective orders” and inserting “in-
24 cluding the issuance and use of pro-
25 tective orders, batterers’ intervention

1 programming, and responses to
2 charged, incarcerated, and re-entering
3 domestic violence, dating violence, and
4 family violence victims”;

5 (iii) in subparagraph (B)—

6 (I) by inserting “, dating vio-
7 lence, and family violence” after “do-
8 mestic violence” each place such term
9 appears; and

10 (II) by striking “dependents”
11 and inserting “children”;

12 (iv) in subparagraph (C)—

13 (I) by inserting “, dating vio-
14 lence, and family violence” after “do-
15 mestic violence” the first place such
16 term appears; and

17 (II) by inserting “, and the re-
18 sponse of domestic violence, dating vi-
19 olence, and family violence programs
20 and other community organizations
21 with respect to health advocacy and
22 addressing the health of victims” be-
23 fore the period;

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

1 “(D) The response of mental health, sub-
2 stance use disorder treatment and recovery, do-
3 mestic violence, dating violence, and family vio-
4 lence and related systems and programs to vic-
5 tims of domestic violence, dating violence, and
6 family violence and their children and depend-
7 ents who experience psychological trauma, men-
8 tal health needs, or substance-use-related
9 needs.”;

10 (vi) in subparagraph (E); by inserting
11 “, dating violence, and family violence”
12 after “domestic violence” each place such
13 term appears; and

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

16 “(F) The response of the domestic vio-
17 lence, dating violence, and family violence pro-
18 grams and related systems to victims who are
19 underserved due to sexual orientation or gender
20 identity, including expanding the capacity of
21 lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender organi-
22 zations to respond to and prevent domestic vio-
23 lence.

24 “(G) Strengthening the organizational ca-
25 pacity of State, territorial, and Tribal domestic

1 violence, dating violence, and family violence
2 coalitions and of State, territorial, and Tribal
3 administrators who distribute funds under this
4 title to community-based domestic violence, dat-
5 ing violence, and family violence programs, with
6 the aim of better enabling such coalitions and
7 administrators—

8 “(i) to collaborate and respond effec-
9 tively to domestic violence, dating violence,
10 and family violence;

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

13 “(iii) to implement best practices to
14 meet the emerging needs of victims of do-
15 mestic violence, dating violence, and family
16 violence and their families, children, and
17 dependents.

18 “(H) The response of domestic violence,
19 dating violence, and family violence service pro-
20 viders to victims who are Deaf and victims with
21 disabilities, including expanding the capacity of
22 community-based organizations serving individ-
23 uals who are Deaf and individuals with disabil-
24 ities to respond to, and prevent, domestic vio-
25 lence, dating violence, and family violence.”;

1 (C) by redesignating paragraph (3) as
2 paragraph (4);

3 (D) by inserting after paragraph (2) the
4 following:

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

10 “(A) offer a comprehensive array of tech-
11 nical assistance and training resources to In-
12 dian Tribes and Tribal organizations, specifi-
13 cally designed to enhance the capacity of the
14 Tribes and organizations to respond to domestic
15 violence, dating violence, and family violence
16 and the findings of section 901 and purposes in
17 section 902 of the Violence Against Women and
18 Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of
19 2005 (34 U.S.C. 10452 note);

20 “(B) coordinate all projects and activities
21 with the national resource center described in
22 paragraph (1)(B), including projects and activi-
23 ties that involve working with non-Tribal State
24 and local governments to enhance their capacity

1 to understand the unique needs of Alaska Na-
2 tives;

3 “(C) work with non-Tribal State and local
4 governments and domestic violence, dating vio-
5 lence, and family violence service providers to
6 enhance their capacity to understand the
7 unique needs of Alaska Natives;

8 “(D) provide comprehensive community
9 education and domestic violence, dating vio-
10 lence, and family violence prevention initiatives
11 in a culturally sensitive and relevant manner;
12 and

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

22 (E) in paragraph (4), as so redesignated—

23 (i) in subparagraphs (A) and (B)(i),
24 by striking “Indian tribes, tribal organiza-
25 tions” each place such term appears and

1 inserting “Indian Tribes, Tribal organiza-
2 tions”;

3 (ii) in subparagraph (A) by inserting
4 “, dating violence, and family violence”
5 after “domestic violence”;

6 (iii) in subparagraph (B)—

7 (I) in clause (i), by striking “the
8 tribes” and inserting “the Tribes”;

9 (II) in clause (ii), by striking
10 “nontribal” and inserting “non-Trib-
11 al”; and

12 (III) in clause (iii), by inserting
13 “, dating violence, and family vio-
14 lence” after “domestic violence”; and

15 (iv) by striking “(including Alaska
16 Natives)” each place such term appears;
17 and

18 (F) by adding at the end the following:

19 “(5) NATIVE HAWAIIAN RESOURCE CENTER.—

20 In accordance with subsection (a)(2), the Secretary
21 shall award a grant to an eligible entity for an Na-
22 tive Hawaiian resource center on domestic violence
23 to reduce Native Hawaiian disparities, which shall—

24 “(A) offer a comprehensive array of tech-
25 nical assistance and training resources to Na-

1 tive Hawaiian organizations, specifically de-
2 signed to enhance the capacity of the Native
3 Hawaiian organizations to respond to family vi-
4 olence, domestic violence, and dating violence;

5 “(B) coordinate all projects and other ac-
6 tivities with the national resource center de-
7 scribed in paragraph (1)(B);

8 “(C) coordinate all projects and other ac-
9 tivities, with State and local governments, that
10 involve working with the State and local govern-
11 ments, to enhance their capacity to understand
12 the unique needs of Native Hawaiians;

13 “(D) provide comprehensive community
14 education and prevention initiatives relating to
15 family violence, domestic violence, and dating
16 violence in a culturally sensitive and relevant
17 manner; and

18 “(E) coordinate activities with other Fed-
19 eral agencies, offices, and grantees that address
20 the needs of Native Hawaiians who experience
21 family violence, domestic violence, and dating
22 violence, including the Office for Victims of
23 Crime and the Office on Violence Against
24 Women of the Department of Justice.”; and

25 (3) in subsection (c)—

1 (A) in paragraph (1)—

2 (i) in the matter preceding subpara-
3 graph (A)—

4 (I) by inserting “, dating vio-
5 lence, and family violence” after “do-
6 mestic violence”; and

7 (II) by striking “or (D)” and in-
8 serting “(D), (F), or (G)”;

9 (ii) in subparagraph (A), by inserting
10 “dating violence, and family violence,”
11 after “domestic violence,”; and

12 (iii) by amending subparagraph (B) to
13 read as follows:

14 “(B) includes individuals with dem-
15 onstrated experience working in domestic vio-
16 lence, dating violence, and family violence pro-
17 grams, and, with respect to grantees described
18 in subsection (b)(2)(F), individuals with dem-
19 onstrated expertise in serving the targeted com-
20 munities on the board of directors (or advisory
21 committee) and on the staff; and”;

22 (B) in paragraph (2)—

23 (i) by inserting “, dating violence, and
24 family violence” after “domestic violence”
25 each place such term appears;

1 (ii) by striking “tribal organization”
2 each place such term appears and inserting
3 “Tribal organization”;

4 (iii) by striking “Indian tribes” each
5 place such term appears and inserting “In-
6 dian Tribes”;

7 (iv) by striking “42” and all that fol-
8 lows through “3796gg-10 note” each place
9 such term appears and inserting “34
10 U.S.C. 10452 note”; and

11 (v) by striking “tribally” and insert-
12 ing “Tribally”;

13 (C) in paragraph (3)—

14 (i) in subparagraph (A)—

15 (I) by inserting “, dating vio-
16 lence, and family violence” after “do-
17 mestic violence” the first place such
18 term appears; and

19 (II) by inserting “, dating vio-
20 lence, or family violence” after “do-
21 mestic violence” the second place such
22 term appears; and

23 (ii) in subparagraph (B)—

1 (I) in clause (i), by inserting “,
2 dating violence, and family violence”
3 after “domestic violence”;

4 (II) in clause (ii), by striking “;
5 and” and inserting a semicolon;

6 (III) in clause (iii), by striking
7 the period and inserting “; and”; and

8 (IV) by adding at the end the fol-
9 lowing:

10 “(iv) has a board of directors (or advisory
11 committee) and staff with demonstrated exper-
12 tise in serving the targeted community.”;

13 (D) by redesignating paragraph (4) as
14 paragraph (5);

15 (E) by inserting after paragraph (3) the
16 following:

17 “(4) ALASKA NATIVE TRIBAL RESOURCE CEN-
18 TER ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.—To be eligible to re-
19 ceive a grant under subsection (b)(3), an entity shall
20 be a Tribal organization or a nonprofit private orga-
21 nization that focuses primarily on issues of domestic
22 violence, dating violence, and family violence within
23 Tribes in Alaska that submits information to the
24 Secretary demonstrating—

1 “(A) experience working with Alaska
2 Tribes and Tribal organizations to respond to
3 domestic violence, dating violence, and family
4 violence and the findings of section 901 of the
5 Violence Against Women and Department of
6 Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005 (Public
7 Law 109–162; 34 U.S.C. 10452 note);

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

18 “(C) strong support for the entity’s des-
19 ignation as the Alaska Native Tribal resource
20 center on domestic violence, dating violence,
21 and family violence from advocates working
22 with Alaska Tribes to address domestic vio-
23 lence, dating violence, and family violence and
24 the safety of Alaska Native women;

1 “(D) a record of demonstrated effective-
2 ness in assisting Alaska Tribes and Tribal orga-
3 nizations with prevention and intervention serv-
4 ices addressing domestic violence, dating vio-
5 lence, and family violence; and

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

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

9 (i) in the matter preceding subpara-
10 graph (A), by striking “(b)(3),” and in-
11 serting “(b)(4),”; and

12 (ii) in subparagraph (A)—

13 (I) in clause (i), by striking “(in-
14 cluding Alaska Natives)”; and

15 (II) in clause (ii)—

16 (aa) by striking “Indian
17 tribe, tribal organization” and in-
18 serting “Indian Tribe, Tribal or-
19 ganization”; and

20 (bb) by inserting “, dating
21 violence, and family violence”
22 after “domestic violence”; and

23 (G) by adding at the end the following:

24 “(6) NATIVE HAWAIIAN RESOURCE CENTER.—

25 To be eligible to receive a grant under subsection

1 (b)(3), an entity shall be a Native Hawaiian organi-
2 zation, or a nonprofit private organization that fo-
3 cuses primarily on issues of family violence, domestic
4 violence, and dating violence within the Native Ha-
5 waiian community, that submits information to the
6 Secretary demonstrating—

7 “(A) experience working with Native Ha-
8 waiian organizations to respond to family vio-
9 lence, domestic violence, and dating violence;

10 “(B) experience providing Native Hawaiian
11 organizations with assistance in developing pre-
12 vention and intervention services addressing
13 family violence, domestic violence, and dating
14 violence and safety for Native Hawaiian women;

15 “(C) strong support for the entity’s des-
16 ignation as the Native Hawaiian resource cen-
17 ter on domestic violence from advocates working
18 with Native Hawaiian organizations to address
19 family violence, domestic violence, and dating
20 violence and the safety of Native Hawaiian
21 women;

22 “(D) a record of demonstrated effective-
23 ness in assisting Native Hawaiian organizations
24 with prevention and intervention services ad-

1 dressing family violence, domestic violence, and
2 dating violence; and

3 “(E) the capacity to serve geographically
4 diverse Native Hawaiian communities and orga-
5 nizations.”.

6 **SEC. 12. GRANTS TO STATE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COALI-**
7 **TIONS.**

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

9 (1) in subsection (b)(1), by striking “section
10 303(a)(2)(D)” and inserting “section 303 and made
11 available to carry out this section”;

12 (2) in subsection (d)—

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

15 (B) in paragraph (1)—

16 (i) by inserting “, and evidence-in-
17 formed prevention of,” after “comprehen-
18 sive responses to”; and

19 (ii) by striking “working with local”
20 and inserting “shall include—

21 “(A) working with local”;

22 (C) by redesignating paragraphs (2) and
23 (3) as subparagraphs (B) and (C), respectively,
24 and adjusting the margins accordingly;

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

3 (i) by striking “dependents” and in-
4 serting “children and dependents”; and

5 (ii) by adding “and” after the semi-
6 colon; and

7 (E) by inserting after subparagraph (C) of
8 paragraph (1), as so redesignated, the fol-
9 lowing:

10 “(D) collaborating with Indian Tribes and
11 Tribal organizations (and corresponding Native
12 Hawaiian groups or communities) to address
13 the needs of Indian (including Alaska Native)
14 and Native Hawaiian victims of domestic vio-
15 lence, dating violence, or family violence, as ap-
16 plicable in the State; and”;

17 (F) in paragraph (4), by striking “collabo-
18 rating with and providing” and inserting “may
19 include—

20 “(A) collaborating with and providing”;

21 (G) by redesignating paragraph (4) as
22 paragraph (2);

23 (H) in paragraph (2), as so redesignated,
24 by striking “health care, mental health” and in-

1 serting “health care (including mental health
2 and substance use disorder treatment)”;

3 (I) in paragraph (6), by redesignating sub-
4 paragraphs (A) and (B) as clauses (i) and (ii),
5 respectively, and adjusting the margins accord-
6 ingly;

7 (J) by redesignating paragraphs (5)
8 through (7) as subparagraphs (B) through (D),
9 respectively, and adjusting the margins accord-
10 ingly;

11 (K) in clause (ii) of subparagraph (C) of
12 paragraph (2), as so redesignated, by striking
13 “child abuse is present;” and inserting “there is
14 a co-occurrence of child abuse; and”;

15 (L) by striking paragraph (8); and

16 (M) in subparagraph (D) of paragraph (2),
17 as so redesignated, by striking “; and” and in-
18 serting a period;

19 (3) by striking subsection (e);

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

22 (5) in subsection (g), as so redesignated, by
23 striking “Indian tribes and tribal organizations” and
24 inserting “Indian Tribes and Tribal organizations”.

1 **SEC. 13. GRANTS TO TRIBAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COALI-**
2 **TIONS.**

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

6 **“SEC. 311A. GRANTS TO TRIBAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COA-**
7 **LITIONS.**

8 “(a) GRANTS AUTHORIZED.—Beginning with fiscal
9 year 2024, out of amounts appropriated under section 303
10 and made available to carry out this section for a fiscal
11 year, the Secretary shall award grants to eligible entities
12 in accordance with this section.

13 “(b) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—To be eligible to receive
14 a grant under this section, an entity shall be a Tribal do-
15 mestic violence, dating violence, or family violence coali-
16 tion that is recognized by the Office on Violence Against
17 Women of the Department of Justice that provides serv-
18 ices to Indian Tribes.

19 “(c) APPLICATION.—Each Tribal domestic violence,
20 dating violence, or family violence coalition desiring a
21 grant under this section shall submit an application to the
22 Secretary at such time, in such manner, and containing
23 such information as the Secretary may require. The appli-
24 cation submitted by the coalition for the grant shall pro-
25 vide documentation of the coalition’s work, demonstrating
26 that the coalition—

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

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

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

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

11 “(d) USE OF FUNDS.—A Tribal domestic violence,
12 dating violence, or family violence coalition eligible under
13 subsection (b) that receives a grant under this section may
14 use the grant funds for administration and operation to
15 further the purposes of domestic violence, dating violence,
16 and family violence intervention and prevention activities,
17 including—

18 “(1) working with local Tribal domestic vio-
19 lence, dating violence, or family violence service pro-
20 grams and providers of direct services to encourage
21 appropriate and comprehensive responses to domes-
22 tic violence, dating violence, and family violence
23 against adults or youth within the Indian Tribes
24 served, including providing training and technical as-
25 sistance and conducting Tribal needs assessments;

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

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

9 “(4) collaborating with, and providing informa-
10 tion to, entities in such fields as housing, health care
11 (including mental health and substance use disorder
12 treatment), social welfare, education, and law en-
13 forcement to support the development and imple-
14 mentation of effective policies;

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

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

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

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

8 “(B) in cases in which—

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

11 “(ii) child abuse is present;

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

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

22 “(10) providing shelter or supportive services to
23 Tribal adult and youth victims of domestic violence,
24 dating violence, and family violence, and their chil-
25 dren and dependents.

1 “(e) REALLOCATION.—If, at the end of the sixth
2 month of any fiscal year for which sums are appropriated
3 under section 303 and made available to carry out this
4 section, a portion of the available amount has not been
5 awarded to Tribal domestic violence, dating violence, or
6 family violence coalitions for grants under this section be-
7 cause of the failure of such coalitions to meet the require-
8 ments for such grants, then the Secretary shall award
9 such portion, in equal shares, to Tribal domestic violence,
10 dating violence, or family violence coalitions that meet
11 such requirements.”.

12 **SEC. 14. SPECIALIZED SERVICES FOR CAREGIVERS AND**
13 **THEIR CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN EXPOSED**
14 **TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, DATING VIOLENCE,**
15 **AND FAMILY VIOLENCE.**

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

17 (1) in the section heading, by striking
18 **“ABUSED PARENTS AND THEIR CHILDREN”** and
19 inserting **“PARENTS, CAREGIVERS AND CHIL-**
20 **DREN AND YOUTH WHO HAVE BEEN EXPOSED**
21 **TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, DATING VIOLENCE,**
22 **AND FAMILY VIOLENCE”**;

23 (2) in subsection (a)—

24 (A) in paragraph (1)—

1 (i) by striking “family violence, do-
2 mestic violence, and dating violence service
3 programs and community-based programs
4 to prevent future domestic violence by ad-
5 dressing, in an appropriate manner, the
6 needs of children” and inserting “domestic
7 violence, dating violence, family violence,
8 and culturally specific community-based
9 programs to serve children and youth”;
10 and

11 (ii) by inserting “, and to support the
12 caregiving capacity of adult victims or
13 other caregivers” before the period; and

14 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “more
15 than 2” the first place it appears and inserting
16 “less than 3”;

17 (3) in subsection (b)—

18 (A) by inserting “or State domestic vio-
19 lence, dating violence, and family violence serv-
20 ices” after “local”;

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

23 (C) by striking “tribal organization” and
24 inserting “Tribal organization”;

1 (D) by inserting “adult and child” after
2 “serving”; and

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

5 (A) by amending paragraph (1) to read as
6 follows:

7 “(1) a description of how the entity will
8 prioritize the safety of, and confidentiality of infor-
9 mation about adult and child victims of domestic vi-
10 olence, dating violence, or family violence;”;

11 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “develop-
12 mentally appropriate and age-appropriate serv-
13 ices, and culturally and linguistically appro-
14 priate services, to the victims and children;
15 and” and inserting “trauma-informed and age,
16 gender, developmentally, culturally, and linguis-
17 tically appropriate services to children and
18 youth, and their caregivers;”;

19 (C) in paragraph (3), by striking “appro-
20 priate and relevant to the unique needs of chil-
21 dren exposed to family violence, domestic vio-
22 lence, or dating violence.” and inserting “rel-
23 evant to the unique needs of children and youth
24 exposed to domestic violence, dating violence, or
25 family violence, including children and youth

1 with disabilities and children from underserved
2 populations, and address the parent’s or care-
3 giver’s ongoing caregiving capacity; and”;

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

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

8 (5) in subsection (d)—

9 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),
10 by striking “community-based program de-
11 scribed in subsection (a)” and inserting “cul-
12 turally specific, community-based program”;

13 (B) in paragraph (1)(A)—

14 (i) by striking “victims of family vio-
15 lence, domestic violence, or dating violence
16 and their children” and inserting “child
17 and adult victims of family violence, do-
18 mestic violence, or dating violence, includ-
19 ing children and youth with disabilities and
20 children and youth from underserved popu-
21 lations”; and

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

24 (C) in paragraph (2)—

1 (i) in subparagraph (A), by striking
2 “mental” and inserting “behavioral”;

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

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

15 (6) in subsection (e)—

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

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

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

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

22 (1) in subsection (a)—

23 (A) by striking “telephone” and inserting
24 “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 striking
4 “persons with hearing impairments” and
5 inserting “individuals who are Deaf or
6 hard of hearing, those with speech-related
7 disabilities, those with sensory disabilities
8 (including those who are blind or low vi-
9 sion), and individuals with other disabil-
10 ities, including training for hotline per-
11 sonnel to support such access”; and

12 (vi) in subparagraph (G), by striking
13 “teen dating violence hotline” and insert-
14 ing “youth dating violence hotline and
15 other digital services and resources”;

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

18 (C) by amending paragraph (5) to read as
19 follows:

20 “(5) demonstrate the ability to—

21 “(A) provide information and referrals for
22 individuals contacting the hotline via telephonic
23 or digital services;

1 “(B) directly connect callers or assist dig-
2 ital services users in connecting to service pro-
3 viders; and

4 “(C) employ crisis interventions meeting
5 the standards of family violence, domestic vio-
6 lence, and dating violence providers;”;

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

10 (E) by inserting after paragraph (5) the
11 following:

12 “(6) demonstrate the ability to provide informa-
13 tion about healthy relationships for adults and
14 youth;”;

15 (3) in subsection (e)—

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

18 (B) in paragraph (1)—

19 (i) by striking “telephone hotline” and
20 inserting “telephonic hotline and digital
21 services”; and

22 (ii) by striking “assistance to adult”
23 and inserting “for the benefit of adult”;
24 and

25 (C) in paragraph (2)—

1 (i) in subparagraph (A), by inserting
2 “and an internet service provider for the
3 use of operating digital services” before
4 the semicolon;

5 (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking
6 “, provide counseling and referral services
7 for callers on a 24-hour-a-day basis, and
8 directly connect callers” and inserting
9 “and digital services contracts, provide
10 counseling, healthy relationship informa-
11 tion, and referral services for callers and
12 digital services users, on a 24-hour-a-day
13 basis, and directly connect callers and dig-
14 ital services users”;

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

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

19 (v) in subparagraph (E), by striking
20 “underserved populations” and inserting
21 “racial and ethnic minority groups, Tribal
22 and underserved populations,”; and

23 (vi) in subparagraph (F), by striking
24 “teen dating violence hotline” and insert-
25 ing “hotline or digital services”; and

1 (4) by adding at the end the following:

2 “(g) ADMINISTRATION, EVALUATION, AND MONI-
3 TORING.—Of amounts made available to carry out this
4 section, not more than 4 percent may be used by the Sec-
5 retary for evaluation, monitoring, and other administrative
6 costs under this section.”.

7 **SEC. 16. NATIONAL INDIAN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE**
8 **GRANT.**

9 (a) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this section is to in-
10 crease the availability of information and assistance to In-
11 dian adult or youth victims of family violence, domestic
12 violence, or dating violence, family and household mem-
13 bers of such victim, and individuals affected by such vic-
14 timization by supporting a national, toll-free telephonic
15 and digital hotline to provide services that are—

16 (1) informed of Federal Indian law and Tribal
17 laws impacting Indian victims of family violence, do-
18 mestic violence, or dating violence;

19 (2) culturally appropriate to Indian adult and
20 youth victims; and

21 (3) developed in cooperation with victim serv-
22 ices offered by Indian Tribes and Tribal organiza-
23 tions.

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

4 **“SEC. 313A. NATIONAL INDIAN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOT-**
5 **LINE GRANT.**

6 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall award a
7 grant to a Tribal organization or private, non-profit entity
8 to maintain the ongoing operation of a 24-hour, national,
9 toll-free telephonic and digital services hotline to provide
10 information and assistance to Indian adult and youth vic-
11 tims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating vio-
12 lence, family and household members of such victims, and
13 other individuals affected by such victimization.

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

16 “(c) CONDITIONS ON PAYMENT.—The provision of
17 payments under a grant awarded under this section shall
18 be subject to annual approval by the Secretary and subject
19 to the availability of appropriations for each fiscal year
20 to make the payments.

21 “(d) ELIGIBILITY.—To be eligible to receive a grant
22 under this section, an entity shall be a Tribal organization
23 or a nonprofit private organization that focuses primarily
24 on issues of domestic violence as it relates to American

1 Indians and Alaska Natives, and submit an application to
2 the Secretary that shall—

3 “(1) contain such agreements, assurances, and
4 information, be in such form, and be submitted in
5 such manner, as the Secretary shall prescribe;

6 “(2) include a complete description of the appli-
7 cant’s plan for the operation of a national Indian do-
8 mestic violence hotline and digital services, including
9 descriptions of—

10 “(A) the training program for advocacy
11 personnel relating to the provision of culturally
12 appropriate and legally accurate services, infor-
13 mation, resources and referrals for Indian vic-
14 tims of domestic violence, dating violence, and
15 family violence;

16 “(B) the training program for advocacy
17 personnel, relating to technology requirements
18 to ensure that all persons affiliated with the
19 hotline and digital services are able to effec-
20 tively operate any technological systems re-
21 quired to provide the necessary services used by
22 the hotline;

23 “(C) the qualifications of the applicant and
24 the hiring criteria and qualifications for advo-
25 cacy personnel, to ensure that hotline advocates

1 and other personnel have demonstrated knowl-
2 edge of Indian legal, social, and cultural issues,
3 to ensure that the unique needs of Indian call-
4 ers and users of digital services are met;

5 “(D) the methods for the creation, mainte-
6 nance, and updating of a resource database of
7 culturally appropriate victim services and re-
8 sources available from Indian Tribes and Tribal
9 organizations;

10 “(E) a plan for publicizing the availability
11 of the services from the national Indian hotline
12 to Indian victims of domestic violence and dat-
13 ing violence;

14 “(F) a plan for providing service to limited
15 English proficiency callers, including service
16 through hotline and digital services personnel
17 who have limited English proficiency;

18 “(G) a plan for facilitating access to the
19 hotline and digital services by individuals who
20 are Deaf or hard of hearing, individuals with
21 speech-related disabilities, individuals with sen-
22 sory disabilities (including those who are blind
23 or low vision), and other individuals with dis-
24 abilities, including training for hotline personnel
25 to support such access; and

1 “(H) a plan for providing assistance and
2 referrals to Indian youth victims of domestic vi-
3 olence, dating violence, and family violence, and
4 for victims of dating violence who are minors,
5 which may be carried out through a national
6 Indian youth dating violence hotline, digital
7 services, or other resources;

8 “(3) demonstrate recognized expertise providing
9 services, including information on healthy relation-
10 ships and referrals for Indian victims of family vio-
11 lence, domestic violence, or dating violence and co-
12 ordinating services with Indian Tribes or Tribal or-
13 ganizations;

14 “(4) demonstrate support from Indian victim
15 services programs, Tribal coalitions recognized by
16 the Office on Violence Against Women and Tribal
17 grantees under this title;

18 “(5) demonstrate capacity and the expertise to
19 maintain a domestic violence, dating violence, and
20 family violence hotline, digital services and a com-
21 prehensive database of service providers from Indian
22 Tribes or Tribal organizations;

23 “(6) demonstrate compliance with nondisclosure
24 requirements as described in section 306(c)(5) and

1 following comprehensive quality assurance practices;
2 and

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

5 “(e) INDIAN HOTLINE ACTIVITIES.—

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

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

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

15 “(B) shall employ, train (including pro-
16 viding technology training), and supervise per-
17 sonnel to answer incoming calls and digital
18 services contacts, provide counseling, healthy
19 relationship and referral services for Indian
20 callers and digital services users, directly con-
21 nect callers, and assist digital services users in
22 connecting to service providers;

23 “(C) shall assemble and maintain a data-
24 base of information relating to services for In-
25 dian victims of family violence, domestic vio-

1 lence, or dating violence to which Indian callers
2 or digital services users may be referred, includ-
3 ing information on the availability of shelters
4 and supportive services for victims of family vi-
5 olence, domestic violence, or dating violence;

6 “(D) shall widely publicize the hotline and
7 digital services throughout Indian Tribes and
8 communities, including to—

9 “(i) national and regional member or-
10 ganizations of Indian Tribes;

11 “(ii) Tribal domestic violence services
12 programs; and

13 “(iii) Tribal non-profit victim service
14 providers;

15 “(E) at the discretion of the hotline oper-
16 ator, may provide appropriate assistance and
17 referrals for family and household members of
18 Indian victims of family violence, domestic vio-
19 lence, or dating violence, and Indians affected
20 by the victimization described in subsection (a);
21 and

22 “(F) at the discretion of the hotline oper-
23 ator, may provide assistance, or referrals for
24 counseling or intervention, for identified Indian
25 perpetrators, including self-identified perpetra-

1 tors, of family violence, domestic violence, or
2 dating violence, but shall not be required to
3 provide such assistance or referrals in any cir-
4 cumstance in which the hotline operator fears
5 the safety of a victim may be impacted by an
6 abuser or suspected abuser.

7 “(f) **REPORTS AND EVALUATION.**—The entity receiv-
8 ing a grant under this section shall submit a report to
9 the Secretary at such time as shall be reasonably required
10 by the Secretary. Such report shall describe the activities
11 that have been carried out with such grant funds, contain
12 an evaluation of the effectiveness of such activities, and
13 provide such additional information as the Secretary may
14 reasonably require.

15 “(g) **ADMINISTRATION, EVALUATION, AND MONI-**
16 **TORING.**—Of amounts made available to carry out this
17 section, not more than 4 percent may be used by the Sec-
18 retary for evaluation, monitoring, and other administrative
19 costs under this section.”.

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

22 Section 314 (42 U.S.C. 10414) is amended to read
23 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 about effective primary and secondary preven-
8 tion practices, programs, and policies that re-
9 duce and end family violence, domestic violence,
10 and dating violence;

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

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

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

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

1 “(i) provide core grants under sub-
2 section (b)(1) to support primary and sec-
3 ondary prevention of domestic violence,
4 dating violence, and family violence; and

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

17 “(B) acting through the Family Violence
18 Prevention and Services Program of the Admin-
19 istration for Children and Families, award
20 grants under subsection (c) to enhance the ca-
21 pacity of communities and systems to engage in
22 effective primary and secondary prevention ef-
23 forts.

24 “(3) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, EVALUATION,
25 AND MONITORING.—Of the amounts appropriated

1 under this section for a fiscal year the Secretary
2 may use—

3 “(A) not more than 7 percent of the
4 amounts for each fiscal year for evaluation,
5 monitoring, and other administrative costs
6 under this section; and

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

10 “(b) GRANTS TO STATE, TERRITORIAL, AND TRIBAL
11 COALITIONS.—

12 “(1) GRANTS TO BUILD PRIMARY AND SEC-
13 ONDARY PREVENTION CAPACITY OF DOMESTIC VIO-
14 LENCE COALITIONS.—

15 “(A) PURPOSE.—The Secretary shall pro-
16 vide a core grant for each eligible State, terri-
17 torial, and Tribal coalition. The Secretary shall
18 provide such a grant to build organizational ca-
19 pacity and leadership for primary and sec-
20 ondary prevention of domestic violence, dating
21 violence, and family violence, including work
22 with other systems central to primary and sec-
23 ondary prevention at the local, State, territorial,
24 and Tribal levels.

1 “(B) ELIGIBILITY.—To be eligible to re-
2 ceive a grant under this paragraph, a State,
3 territorial, or Tribal coalition shall be a State
4 domestic violence coalition, territorial domestic
5 violence coalition, or Tribal domestic violence
6 coalition, respectively, that has not entered into
7 a cooperative agreement under section 314 of
8 this title (as in effect on the day before the date
9 of enactment of the Family Violence Prevention
10 and Services Improvement Act of 2023) or
11 under paragraph (2).

12 “(C) APPLICATION.—Each coalition seek-
13 ing a grant under this paragraph shall submit
14 an application to the Secretary at such time, in
15 such manner, and containing such information
16 as the Secretary may require. The application
17 submitted by the coalition for the grant shall
18 provide documentation of the coalition’s pri-
19 mary prevention work, satisfactory to the Sec-
20 retary, demonstrating that the coalition—

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

23 “(ii) demonstrates the ability to con-
24 duct appropriately the primary and sec-

1 ondary prevention activities described in
2 this paragraph.

3 “(D) ALLOTMENT OF FUNDS.—Of the
4 amounts made available to carry out this para-
5 graph, the Secretary shall allot an equal share
6 to each qualified entity receiving funds under
7 section 311 or section 311A to carry out evi-
8 dence-informed prevention activities.

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

11 “(i) shall use the grant funds to—

12 “(I) build the coalition’s organi-
13 zational capacity and enhance its
14 State or Tribal leadership to advance
15 evidence-informed primary and sec-
16 ondary prevention of domestic vio-
17 lence, dating violence, and family vio-
18 lence;

19 “(II) provide primary and sec-
20 ondary prevention-focused training,
21 technical assistance, peer learning op-
22 portunities, and other support to local
23 domestic violence programs and other
24 community-based and culturally spe-
25 cific programs working to address do-

1 mestic violence, dating violence, or
2 family violence;

3 “(III) provide training and advo-
4 cacy to other State, Tribal, and local
5 public and private systems on how to
6 prevent domestic violence, dating vio-
7 lence, and family violence, and help
8 victims, including through health serv-
9 ices, housing and shelter services,
10 early childhood programs, economic
11 support programs, schools, child wel-
12 fare, workforce development, commu-
13 nity-based programs primarily serving
14 racial and ethnic minority groups,
15 community-based programs serving
16 Deaf individuals and individuals with
17 disabilities, community-based pro-
18 grams primarily serving other under-
19 served populations, faith-based pro-
20 grams, and youth programs; and

21 “(IV) support dissemination of
22 primary and secondary prevention
23 strategies and approaches throughout
24 the State, territorial, or Tribal com-
25 munities; and

1 “(ii) may use the grant funds to pro-
2 vide subgrants to local programs to sup-
3 port the dissemination of primary and sec-
4 ondary prevention programs or initiatives.

5 “(F) REPORTS.—Each coalition receiving a
6 grant under this paragraph shall submit a re-
7 port to the Secretary at such time as the Sec-
8 retary requires. Such report shall describe the
9 activities that have been carried out with such
10 grant funds and the effectiveness of such activi-
11 ties, and provide such additional information as
12 the Secretary may require.

13 “(G) FEDERAL ACTIVITIES.—The Sec-
14 retary may use a portion of the funds provided
15 under this paragraph to provide primary and
16 secondary prevention-focused training, technical
17 assistance, and other support to coalitions de-
18 scribed in subparagraph (B) or State or local
19 entities that are in partnerships with such coal-
20 itions.

21 “(2) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT FOR IMPLE-
22 MENTATION AND EVALUATION OF PRIMARY AND
23 SECONDARY PREVENTION STRATEGIES.—

24 “(A) PURPOSE.—The Secretary shall enter
25 into cooperative agreements with qualified

1 State, territorial, and Tribal domestic violence
2 coalitions that are in partnerships with entities
3 carrying out local and culturally specific pro-
4 grams, to test, evaluate, or, as appropriate,
5 scale up innovative domestic violence, dating vi-
6 olence, or family violence primary and sec-
7 ondary prevention strategies and models, par-
8 ticularly those serving culturally specific or tra-
9 ditionally underserved populations.

10 “(B) QUALIFICATION.—To be qualified to
11 enter into a cooperative agreement under sub-
12 section (a)(2)(A)(ii), an organization shall be a
13 State, territorial, or Tribal domestic violence co-
14 alition and include representatives of pertinent
15 sectors of the local community, which may in-
16 clude—

17 “(i) health care providers (including
18 mental health providers and substance use
19 disorder treatment providers) and Tribal,
20 State, or local health departments;

21 “(ii) the education community;

22 “(iii) a faith-based community;

23 “(iv) the juvenile justice system;

1 “(v) domestic violence, dating vio-
2 lence, and family violence service program
3 advocates;

4 “(vi) public human service entities;

5 “(vii) business and civic leaders;

6 “(viii) child and youth-serving organi-
7 zations;

8 “(ix) community-based organizations
9 whose primary purpose is to provide cul-
10 turally appropriate services to underserved
11 populations, including racial and ethnic mi-
12 nority communities; and

13 “(x) other pertinent sectors.

14 “(C) TERM.—The Secretary shall enter
15 into a cooperative agreement under this para-
16 graph for a period of not more than 5 fiscal
17 years.

18 “(D) CONDITIONS ON PAYMENT.—The
19 provision of payments under a cooperative
20 agreement under this paragraph shall be sub-
21 ject to—

22 “(i) annual approval by the Secretary;

23 and

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

1 “(E) APPLICATIONS.—An organization
2 that desires to enter into a cooperative agree-
3 ment under this paragraph shall submit to the
4 Secretary an application, in such form and in
5 such manner as the Secretary shall require,
6 that—

7 “(i) identifies models and strategies to
8 be tested and partner organizations who
9 will be implementing programs to prevent
10 domestic violence, dating violence, or fam-
11 ily violence;

12 “(ii) demonstrates that the applicant
13 has developed effective and collaborative
14 relationships with diverse communities, in-
15 cluding with organizations primarily serv-
16 ing racial and ethnic minority populations
17 or other underserved populations;

18 “(iii) identifies other partners and
19 sectors who will be engaged to meet the
20 primary and secondary prevention goals;

21 “(iv) includes a description of the ex-
22 pected outcomes from the primary and sec-
23 ondary prevention activities and how the
24 strategy is expected to achieve those out-
25 comes;

1 “(v) describes the method to be used
2 for identification and selection of project
3 staff and a project evaluator;

4 “(vi) describes the method to be used
5 for identification and selection of a project
6 council consisting of representatives of the
7 community sectors listed in subparagraph
8 (B);

9 “(vii) demonstrates that the applicant
10 has the capacity to carry out collaborative
11 community initiatives to prevent domestic
12 violence, dating violence, and family vio-
13 lence;

14 “(viii) describes the applicant’s plans
15 to evaluate the models and strategies it in-
16 tends to implement, including dem-
17 onstrating that the methods selected are
18 rigorous;

19 “(ix) describes the applicant’s existing
20 capacity to collect and analyze data to
21 monitor performance and support evalua-
22 tion and other evidence-building activities
23 or how they will use the grant to develop
24 such capacity; and

1 “(x) contains such other information,
2 agreements, and assurances as the Sec-
3 retary may require.

4 “(F) GEOGRAPHIC DISPERSION.—The Sec-
5 retary shall enter into cooperative agreements
6 under this paragraph with organizations in
7 States, territories, and Tribes geographically
8 dispersed throughout the Nation.

9 “(G) USE OF FUNDS.—

10 “(i) IN GENERAL.—An organization
11 that enters into a cooperative agreement
12 under this paragraph shall use the funds
13 made available through the agreement to
14 establish, operate, and maintain implemen-
15 tation and evaluation of coordinated com-
16 munity response to reduce risk factors for
17 domestic violence, dating violence, and
18 family violence perpetration and enhance
19 protective factors to promote positive de-
20 velopment and healthy relationships and
21 communities.

22 “(ii) EVALUATION, MONITORING, AD-
23 MINISTRATION, AND TECHNICAL ASSIST-
24 ANCE.—The Secretary may use a portion
25 of the funds provided under this paragraph

1 for evaluation, monitoring, administration,
2 and technical assistance described in sub-
3 section (a)(3) with respect to the preven-
4 tion projects.

5 “(H) REQUIREMENTS.—In establishing
6 and operating a project under this paragraph,
7 an organization shall—

8 “(i) utilize evidence-informed primary
9 and secondary prevention project planning;

10 “(ii) recognize and address the needs
11 of underserved populations, including ra-
12 cial and ethnic minority groups, and indi-
13 viduals with disabilities;

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

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

24 “(v) use up to 8 percent of the funds
25 awarded under this paragraph to procure

1 technical assistance from a list of providers
2 approved by the Secretary and peer-to-peer
3 technical assistance from other grantees
4 under this paragraph.

5 “(I) REPORTS.—Each organization enter-
6 ing into a cooperative agreement under this
7 paragraph shall submit a report to the Sec-
8 retary at such time as shall be reasonably re-
9 quired by the Secretary. Such report shall de-
10 scribe activities that have been carried out with
11 the funds made available through the agree-
12 ment and the effectiveness of such activities,
13 and provide such additional information as the
14 Secretary may reasonably require. The Sec-
15 retary shall make the evaluations received
16 under this subparagraph publicly available on
17 the Department of Health and Human Services
18 internet website, and shall submit such reports
19 to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor,
20 and Pensions of the Senate and the Committee
21 on Education and Labor of the House of Rep-
22 resentatives.

23 “(c) GRANTS TO EXPAND COMMUNITY-BASED PRE-
24 VENTION.—

1 “(1) PROGRAM.—The Secretary shall establish
2 a grant program to expand the capacity of commu-
3 nities and systems to engage in effective primary
4 and secondary prevention efforts.

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

14 “(3) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—To be eligible to re-
15 ceive a grant under this subsection, an entity shall—

16 “(A) be a private nonprofit, nongovern-
17 mental organization (which may include faith-
18 based and charitable organizations) or a Tribal
19 organization that is—

20 “(i) a community-based organization
21 whose primary purpose is providing cul-
22 turally specific services to racial and ethnic
23 minority groups or other underserved pop-
24 ulations;

1 “(ii) a community-based organization
2 with a program focused on serving youth
3 or serving children and their parents or
4 caregivers; or

5 “(iii) a community-based organization
6 that offers legal services to help victims of
7 domestic violence, dating violence, or fam-
8 ily violence and that works to serve the
9 needs of racial or ethnic minority groups,
10 other underserved populations, youth, or
11 children and their parents or caregivers;
12 and

13 “(B) have a demonstrated record of serv-
14 ing victims of domestic violence, dating violence,
15 or family violence, or demonstrate a partnership
16 with another organization that has such a
17 record.

18 “(4) APPLICATION.—An entity seeking a grant
19 under this subsection shall submit an application to
20 the Secretary at such time, in such manner, and
21 containing such information as the Secretary may
22 reasonably require, including—

23 “(A) a description of how the entity will
24 develop, expand, or replicate evidence-informed
25 primary and secondary prevention strategies

1 and approaches in their communities, including
2 culturally and linguistically appropriate primary
3 and secondary prevention programming;

4 “(B) documents that the entity meets all
5 of the applicable requirements set forth in this
6 subsection; and

7 “(C) demonstrates the ability to conduct
8 appropriately the primary and secondary pre-
9 vention activities described in this section.

10 “(5) USE OF FUNDS.—An entity that receives
11 a grant under this subsection shall use the grant
12 funds to—

13 “(A) build their organizational capacity
14 and enhance their leadership of the organiza-
15 tion within the community to promote commu-
16 nity engagement in and advancement of evi-
17 dence-informed primary and secondary preven-
18 tion of domestic violence, dating violence, or
19 family violence;

20 “(B) promote strategic primary and sec-
21 ondary prevention partnership development, in-
22 cluding between any of domestic violence pro-
23 grams and health programs, early childhood
24 programs, economic support programs, schools,
25 child welfare programs, workforce development,

1 culturally specific community-based organiza-
2 tions, faith-based programs, community-based
3 organizations serving Deaf individuals and indi-
4 viduals with disabilities, and youth programs;

5 “(C) support dissemination of primary and
6 secondary prevention strategies and approaches
7 to States, territories, Tribal organizations, and
8 Tribes; and

9 “(D) use up to 5 percent of funds awarded
10 under this subsection to procure technical as-
11 sistance from a list of providers approved by
12 the Secretary, from peer-to-peer technical as-
13 sistance from other grantees under this section,
14 or from both.

15 “(6) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, EVALUATION,
16 AND MONITORING.—The Secretary may use a por-
17 tion of the funds provided under this subsection for
18 evaluation, monitoring, administration, and technical
19 assistance with respect to the prevention projects.

20 “(7) REPORTS AND EVALUATION.—Each entity
21 receiving a grant under this subsection shall submit
22 a report to the Secretary at such time as shall be
23 reasonably required by the Secretary. Such report
24 shall describe the activities that have been carried
25 out with such grant funds, contain an evaluation of

1 the effectiveness of such activities, and provide such
2 additional information as the Secretary may reason-
3 ably require.”.

4 **SEC. 18. ADDITIONAL GRANT PROGRAMS.**

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

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

9 “(a) **PURPOSE.**—It is the purpose of this section to
10 provide grants to assist communities in mobilizing and or-
11 ganizing resources in support of effective and sustainable
12 programs that will prevent and address domestic violence,
13 dating violence, and family violence experienced by under-
14 served populations.

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

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

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

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

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

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

19 “(d) CAPACITY BUILDING GRANTS.—

20 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall award
21 grants to eligible entities to support the capacity
22 building, planning, and development of programs for
23 underserved communities that utilize community-
24 driven intervention and prevention strategies that
25 address the barriers to domestic violence services,

1 raise awareness of domestic violence, dating violence,
2 and family violence and promote community engage-
3 ment in the prevention of domestic violence, dating
4 violence, and family violence in targeted underserved
5 populations. Such grants may be used to—

6 “(A)(i) expand the collaboration with com-
7 munity partners who can provide appropriate
8 assistance to the targeted underserved popu-
9 lations that are represented by the eligible enti-
10 ty through the identification of additional part-
11 ners, particularly among targeted underserved
12 communities; and

13 “(ii) establish linkages with national,
14 State, Tribal, or local public and private part-
15 ners, which may include community health
16 workers, advocacy organizations, and policy or-
17 ganizations;

18 “(B) establish community working groups;

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

24 “(D) participate in training and technical
25 assistance sponsored by the Family Violence

1 Prevention and Services program for program
2 development, implementation, evaluation, and
3 other programmatic issues;

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

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

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

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

23 “(ii) identifying other sources of rev-
24 enue and integrating current and proposed

1 funding sources to ensure long-term sus-
2 tainability of the program; and

3 “(iii) conducting performance meas-
4 urement processes, including collecting
5 data and measuring progress toward ad-
6 dressing domestic violence, dating violence,
7 and family violence or raising awareness of
8 domestic violence, dating violence, and
9 family violence in targeted underserved
10 populations; and

11 “(H) conduct an evaluation of the planning
12 and development activities.

13 “(2) DURATION.—The period during which
14 payments may be made under a grant under para-
15 graph (1) shall not exceed 4 years, except where the
16 Secretary determines that extraordinary cir-
17 cumstances exist.

18 “(e) IMPLEMENTATION GRANTS.—

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

1 “(A) implement a plan including interven-
2 tion services or prevention strategies to address
3 the identified barrier or awareness issue or ini-
4 tiate the community engagement strategy for
5 targeted underserved populations, in an effec-
6 tive and timely manner;

7 “(B) design and implement a plan to
8 evaluate the program, including collecting data
9 appropriate for monitoring performance of the
10 program carried out under the grant;

11 “(C) analyze data consistent with the eval-
12 uation design, including collaborating with aca-
13 demic or other appropriate institutions for such
14 analysis;

15 “(D) participate in training for the pur-
16 pose of informing and educating other entities
17 regarding the experiences and lessons learned
18 from the project;

19 “(E) collaborate with appropriate partners
20 to disseminate information gained from the
21 project for the benefit of other domestic vio-
22 lence, dating violence, and family violence pro-
23 grams;

24 “(F) establish mechanisms with other pub-
25 lic or private groups to maintain financial sup-

1 port for the program after the grant termi-
2 nates;

3 “(G) develop policy initiatives for systems
4 change to address the barriers or awareness
5 issue;

6 “(H) develop and implement community
7 engagement strategies;

8 “(I) maintain relationships with local part-
9 ners and continue to develop new relationships
10 with national and State partners; and

11 “(J) use up to 5 percent of funds awarded
12 under this subsection to procure technical as-
13 sistance from a list of providers approved by
14 the Family Violence Prevention and Services
15 program.

16 “(2) DURATION.—The Secretary shall award
17 grants under this subsection for 4-year periods.

18 “(f) EVALUATION GRANTS.—

19 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may award
20 grants to eligible entities that have received an im-
21 plementation grant under subsection (e) and that re-
22 quire additional assistance for the purpose of exe-
23 cuting the proposed evaluation design, including de-
24 veloping the design, collecting and analyzing data

1 (including process and outcome measures), and dis-
2 seminating findings.

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

5 “(A) entities that in previous funding cy-
6 cles—

7 “(i) have received a grant under sub-
8 section (d); or

9 “(ii) established population specific
10 organizations that have demonstrated ex-
11 perience and expertise in providing popu-
12 lation-specific services in the relevant un-
13 derserved communities programs; and

14 “(B) entities that incorporate best prac-
15 tices or build on successful models in their ac-
16 tion plan, including the use of community advo-
17 cates.

18 “(3) DURATION.—The period during which
19 payments may be made under a grant under para-
20 graph (1) shall not exceed 4 years, except where the
21 Secretary determines that extraordinary cir-
22 cumstances exist.

23 “(g) SUPPLEMENT, NOT SUPPLANT.—Funds pro-
24 vided under this section shall be used to supplement and
25 not supplant other Federal, State, and local public funds

1 expended to provide services and activities that promote
2 the purposes of this title.

3 “(h) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, EVALUATION, AND
4 MONITORING.—

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

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

10 “(B) up to 3 percent may be used by the
11 Secretary for technical assistance.

12 “(2) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY
13 GRANTEES.—The Secretary shall enable grantees to
14 share best practices, evaluation results, and reports
15 using the internet, conferences, and other pertinent
16 information regarding the projects funded by this
17 section, including the outreach efforts of the Family
18 Violence Prevention and Services program.

19 “(3) REPORTS AND EVALUATION.—Each entity
20 receiving funds under this section shall file a per-
21 formance report at such times as requested by the
22 Secretary describing the activities that have been
23 carried out with such grant funds and providing
24 such additional information as the Secretary may re-
25 quire.

1 “(i) ADMINISTRATIVE BURDENS.—The Secretary
2 shall make every effort to minimize duplicative or unneces-
3 sary administrative burdens on the grantees.

4 **“SEC. 316. GRANTS TO ENHANCE CULTURALLY SPECIFIC**
5 **SERVICES FOR RACIAL AND ETHNIC MINOR-**
6 **ITY POPULATIONS.**

7 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary shall estab-
8 lish a grant program to establish or enhance culturally
9 specific services for victims of domestic violence, dating
10 violence, and family violence from racial and ethnic minor-
11 ity populations.

12 “(b) PURPOSES.—

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

15 “(A) develop and support innovative cul-
16 turally specific community-based programs to
17 enhance access to shelter services or supportive
18 services to further the purposes of domestic vio-
19 lence, dating violence, and family violence inter-
20 vention and prevention for all victims of domes-
21 tic violence, dating violence, and family violence
22 from racial and ethnic minority populations who
23 face obstacles to using more traditional services
24 and resources;

1 “(B) strengthen the capacity and further
2 the leadership development of individuals in ra-
3 cial and ethnic minority populations to address
4 domestic violence, dating violence, and family
5 violence in their communities; and

6 “(C) promote strategic partnership devel-
7 opment and collaboration, including with health
8 systems, early childhood programs, economic
9 support programs, schools, child welfare, work-
10 force development, domestic violence, dating vi-
11 olence, and family violence programs, other
12 community-based programs, community-based
13 organizations serving individuals with disabil-
14 ities, faith-based programs, and youth pro-
15 grams, in order to further a public health ap-
16 proach to addressing domestic violence, dating
17 violence, and family violence.

18 “(2) USE OF FUNDS.—

19 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall
20 award grants to programs based in the targeted
21 community to establish or enhance domestic vi-
22 olence, dating violence, and family violence
23 intervention and prevention efforts that address
24 distinctive culturally specific responses to do-

1 domestic violence, dating violence, and family vio-
2 lence in racial and ethnic minority populations.

3 “(B) NEW PROGRAMS.—In carrying out
4 this section, the Secretary may award initial
5 planning and capacity building grants to eligible
6 entities that are establishing new programs in
7 order to support the planning and development
8 of culturally specific programs.

9 “(C) COMPETITIVE BASIS.—The Secretary
10 shall ensure that grants are awarded, to the ex-
11 tent practical, only on a competitive basis, and
12 that a grant is awarded for a proposal only if
13 the proposal has been recommended for such an
14 award through a process of peer review.

15 “(D) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—Up to 5
16 percent of funds appropriated under this sec-
17 tion for a fiscal year shall be available for tech-
18 nical assistance to be used by the grantees to
19 access training and technical assistance from
20 organizations that have entered into a coopera-
21 tive agreement with the Director to provide
22 training and technical assistance regarding the
23 provision of effective culturally specific, commu-
24 nity-based services for racial and ethnic minor-
25 ity populations.

1 “(3) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND TRAINING.—

2 The Secretary shall enter into cooperative agree-
3 ments or contracts with organizations having a dem-
4 onstrated expertise in and whose primary purpose is
5 addressing the development and provision of cul-
6 turally specific, accessible, community-based services
7 to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, and
8 family violence from the targeted populations to pro-
9 vide training and technical assistance for grantees.

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

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

14 “(A) a community-based organization
15 whose primary purpose is providing culturally
16 specific services to victims of domestic violence,
17 dating violence, and family violence from racial
18 and ethnic minority populations; or

19 “(B) a community-based organization
20 whose primary purpose is providing culturally
21 specific services to individuals from racial and
22 ethnic minority populations that can partner
23 with an organization having demonstrated ex-
24 pertise in serving victims of domestic violence,
25 dating violence, and family violence; and

1 “(2) have a board of directors and staffing with
2 demonstrated expertise in serving racial and ethnic
3 minority populations.

4 “(d) CULTURAL RESPONSIVENESS OF SERVICES.—
5 The Secretary shall ensure that information and services
6 provided pursuant to this section are provided in the lan-
7 guage, educational, and cultural context that is most ap-
8 propriate for the individuals for whom the information and
9 services are intended, and that information is made avail-
10 able in accessible formats as appropriate.

11 “(e) GRANT PERIOD.—The Secretary shall award
12 grants for a 4-year period, with a possible extension of
13 another 2 years to further implement the projects under
14 the grant.

15 “(f) NONEXCLUSIVITY.—Nothing in this section shall
16 be interpreted to exclude linguistically and culturally spe-
17 cific community-based entities from applying for other
18 sources of funding available under this title.

19 “(g) REPORTS.—Each entity receiving funds under
20 this section shall file a performance report at such times
21 as requested by the Secretary describing the activities that
22 have been carried out with such grant funds and providing
23 such additional information as the Secretary may require.

24 “(h) ADMINISTRATION, EVALUATION, AND MONI-
25 TORING.—Of amounts made available to carry out this

1 section, not more than 4 percent may be used by the Sec-
2 retary for evaluation, monitoring, and other administrative
3 costs under this section.

4 “(i) CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this section shall
5 be construed to allow a grantee to limit services to victims
6 of domestic violence, dating, violence, or family violence
7 on the basis of race or ethnicity.”.

8 **SEC. 19. ANALYSIS OF FEDERAL SUPPORT FOR FINANCIAL**
9 **STABILITY AMONG SURVIVORS OF DOMESTIC**
10 **VIOLENCE, DATING VIOLENCE, AND FAMILY**
11 **VIOLENCE.**

12 Not later than 2 years after the date of the enact-
13 ment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United
14 States shall conduct a study and issue a report that in-
15 cludes—

16 (1) a review of what is known about the num-
17 ber of survivors of domestic violence, dating violence,
18 and family violence in the United States;

19 (2) statistical data, where available, for recent
20 fiscal years, on the number of survivors described in
21 paragraph (1);

22 (3) a description of the key Federal programs
23 providing survivors described in paragraph (1) with
24 financial and non-financial support;

1 (4) an analysis of the gaps in current Federal
2 programs, in terms of benefit adequacy and benefit
3 coverage for the population of survivors described in
4 paragraph (1);

5 (5) a demographic analysis of the distribution
6 of the gaps described in paragraph (4), for groups
7 including racial and ethnic minorities, individuals
8 with disabilities, tribal populations, and individuals
9 who are geographically isolated;

10 (6) a review of challenges that could affect pro-
11 gram utilization by the population of survivors de-
12 scribed in paragraph (1);

13 (7) an indication of the extent to which Federal
14 agencies or departments currently administering
15 programs described in paragraph (3) have taken
16 steps to ensure that survivors of domestic violence,
17 dating violence, and family violence have access to
18 programs that will support their financial stability;
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20 (8) information on the outreach efforts con-
21 ducted pursuant to section 308 on outreach to racial
22 and ethnic minorities, individuals with disabilities,
23 tribal populations, and individuals who are geo-
24 graphically isolated, to determine ways—

1 (A) to increase the availability of services
2 relating to domestic violence, dating violence,
3 and family violence for such groups; and

4 (B) to ensure access to such services.

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