



SEXUAL ASSAULT EVIDENCE SUBMISSION GRANT PROGRAM

The Sexual Assault Evidence Submission Grant (SAESG) Program administered by the California Department of Justice (DOJ) provides funding to assist local law enforcement agencies in submitting and testing sexual assault evidence. A total of \$4 million in new grant funding is available statewide.

Interested agencies are encouraged to learn more about the grant program, the eligibility criteria, and the Request for Applications (RFA) process. **The grant application period has been extended. The revised grant application closing date is May 1, 2025.**

Background

The Budget Act of 2021 appropriated \$4 million in grant funding to assist local law enforcement agencies with the process of submitting and testing sexual assault forensic evidence.

Eligibility Criteria

Local law enforcement agencies throughout the State of California are eligible to apply for this grant.

Grant Proposal

DOJ will award grant funds to eligible law enforcement agencies that apply for funds through an RFA. This RFA is a non-competitive application process to reimburse eligible agencies for costs incurred during the submission and testing process.

Eligible agencies must submit a complete application via email to DOJ by **May 1, 2025 at 5:00 PM PSD**. Applications must be emailed to SAESG@doj.ca.gov.

A complete application package shall include the following:

- Application Cover Sheet
- Letter of Intent
- Project Budget

To obtain a copy of the RFA, please visit <https://www.oag.ca.gov/saesg>.

Funding Details

A total of \$4 million in grant funding is available. Grant funds are not designed to sustain a project, but are rather intended to supplement existing funds to help agencies submit and test sexual assault evidence.

Agencies interested in applying for funds should request an amount based on their need. In the event that requests exceed available funds, all approved requests will be evaluated and reduced uniformly.

The grant period will begin on or around **April 1, 2025** and will end **June 30, 2028**.

Questions concerning the RFA process may be directed to SAESG@doj.ca.gov.