

## **Stopping the Violence Counselling Enhancement Project One-Time Grant Application – Frequently Asked Questions**

### ***What is this grant for?***

- EVA BC is distributing one-time grants to Stopping the Violence Counselling (STVC) programs, through our Stopping the Violence Counselling Enhancement Project grant, with the aim of increasing access to virtual counselling and/or counselling for equity-deserving groups and underserved communities.

### ***Who is this grant for?***

- This grant is for all STVC programs that are contracted by the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General (MPSSG).

### ***Does our organization have to be an EVA BC member to apply for the grant?***

- No, all MPSSG STVC contracted programs are eligible to apply.

### ***My organization has multiple STVC programs. Can each program apply for the grant?***

- Yes, all MPSSG STVC contracted programs are eligible to apply.

### ***Are other programs contracted by MPSSG eligible to apply?***

- No, **only STVC** programs are eligible to apply. The following MPSSG contracted programs are **ineligible**:
  - Community-Based Victim Services (CBVS) programs
  - Stopping the Violence Outreach Services (STV ORS) programs
  - Multicultural Outreach Services (MORS) programs
  - Sexual Assault Services (SAS) programs
  - Prevention, Education, Advocacy, Counselling and Empowerment (PEACE) programs
  - Transition house and safe home programs
  - Second and third stage housing programs

***What is the deadline to apply?***

- The deadline to apply is February 20, 2026 at 5:00 PM PST.

***If my program does not primarily serve survivors from equity-deserving groups and/or underserved communities (e.g., racialized survivors, older survivors, etc.), will my application still be considered?***

- Yes, all applications aimed at increasing access to virtual counselling and/or counselling for survivors will be considered. However, activities that are aimed at increasing access for equity-deserving groups and/or underserved communities will be prioritized.

***Can I edit my application after it has been submitted?***

- No, applications cannot be edited after they are submitted.

***Can someone from EVA BC review my draft application before I submit it?***

- No, EVA BC staff does not have the capacity to review draft applications. If you have a specific question, please email [programsupport@endingviolence.org](mailto:programsupport@endingviolence.org)

***How will decisions be made about which programs will receive the grant?***

- Applications will be reviewed by a team of EVA BC staff members who are involved with the STVC Enhancement Project. All applications will be compared against the same assessment tool to ensure that each application is assessed fairly.

***What are the chances of receiving a grant?***

- Although we are using an equity lens to assess applications, EVA BC's goal is to distribute grants to as many STVC programs as possible. If an application is complete and provides a reasonable explanation as to how funds will be used to increase access to virtual counselling and/or counselling for equity-deserving groups and/or underserved communities, the program is likely to receive a grant.

***Can a decision be appealed?***

- Decisions cannot be appealed. If you would like feedback on your application and our review, you may request to speak with EVA BC's Director of Provincial Services by sending an email to [programsupport@endingviolence.org](mailto:programsupport@endingviolence.org)

***When will I hear the results of my application?***

- All applicants will receive the results of their application by **March 10, 2026**. EVA BC will notify the primary and secondary contacts listed in each application form by email.

***How will grant recipients receive the grant?***

- Programs will receive one-time grants via cheque or Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT).

***What is the deadline for spending the grant?***

- Grants must be spent by March 31, 2027.

***What are the reporting requirements for grant recipients?***

- In recognition that program staff have limited time and resources, we have done our best to keep reporting minimal. When reporting, EVA BC will be requesting information about:
  - How the grant was spent
  - The estimated number of survivors and STV counsellors who benefitted from the grant
  - How the grant increased access to virtual counselling and/or counselling for equity-deserving groups and underserved communities
  - How the grant addressed unmet needs