



Update on the Office of Victim Services and Justice Grants (OVSJG) Operating Status during COVID-19 Emergency

NOTICE: The Public Health Emergency is now in effect through April 24; school and government reopen on April 27.

What is our operating status?

The Office of Victim Services and Justice Grants will be providing all services remotely.

How does this impact what we do?

- **Grant services** - Grantmaking and administration services will continue; grant managers can be reached via telephone and email.
- **Private Security Camera Incentive Program** - Rebate and voucher applications will continue to be processed, but applications may take a few extra days to approve.
- **Boards, Commissions, Networks, and Working Groups** - routine meetings supported by OVSJG—such as the Sexual Assault Response Team, the Juvenile Justice Advisory Group, the Domestic Violence Fatality Review Board—that are scheduled to meet through March 31, 2020 will either meet by telephone or video conference or will be rescheduled.

How does this impact our physical locations?

- **The OVSJG office at One Judiciary Square** - Our office will be closed from March 16 through March 31, 2020. We plan to reopen on April 1, 2020. Residents are reminded services are offered remotely.

What precautions are we taking to limit the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19)?

Our employees are taking precautions to keep themselves healthy and limit the spread of infections like regularly washing their hands, cleaning facilities more frequently, and reducing close contact with each other and residents. Employees have been asked to let their supervisor know immediately if they feel sick. OVSJG will shift to virtual services during the duration of the state of emergency to limit close contact with staff.

Where should you go if you have questions?

For questions about any of the services we provide and information on any future changes, please contact us at 202-727-0605 or ovsjg@dc.gov. We will also post any updates to our website at ovsjg.dc.gov. For more information, please visit coronavirus.dc.gov.