

SECTION 7001 – INTRODUCTION**SUMMARY
STATEMENT:**

Funding for the Temporary Emergency Respite Fund (TERF) Case Management Team is provided through the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Formula Grant Program. The VOCA Formula Grant Program created under the 1984 Victims of Crime Act, provides federal funding to support victim assistance and compensation programs, to provide training for diverse professionals who work with victims, to develop projects to enhance victims' rights and services, and to undertake public education and awareness activities on behalf of crime victims. The Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) was created by the U.S. Department of Justice and formally established by Congress in 1988 through an amendment to the Victims of Crime Act of 1984 (VOCA). OVC provides federal funds to support victim assistance and compensation programs around the country.

Georgia Department of Human Services, Division of Aging Services has allocated VOCA funds to assist with the creation of services that supports vulnerable adult victims of abuse as they work to transition from an environment of abuse, neglect or exploitation at the hands of their caregivers into a safe, stable and supportive setting through the extension of transitional housing and development of case management services.

**BASIC
CONSIDERATIONS**

The Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) is designated by the Governor of Georgia as the State Administering Agency for criminal justice and victims' assistance programs. CJCC is charged with fiscal and programmatic oversight of the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Grant Programs.

Subgrantees of the VOCA Grant receive funding for 1-year intervals. Subgrantees must reapply for continuation of grant funding annually, up to 5 years.

PROCEDURES

The TERF Case Management Team will:

- Extend temporary emergency respite placements as needed;
- Work to improve client outcome;
- Strengthen collaborations between the Division of Aging Services and community partners to find creative solutions to meet the needs of displaced vulnerable adults.

REFERENCES

[Criminal Justice Coordinating Council](#)

DAS ADMIN Manual 5600, Section 9076, Temporary
Emergency Relocation Funds (TERF)