

Digging For Diamonds

In this round-robin session, VOCA Assistance Administrators and staff from across the country will share small "nuggets" of information on innovative ways to meet the varying needs of VOCA Assistance SAAs and victims of crime. The goal of this session is to provide a brief overview and foster connections with your peers to allow for follow-up after the session. There will be 5 rounds, each lasting 15 minutes. Participate in this session to hear from your peers in: AR, HI, IL, MS, UT, VA, and WI.

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Topic: Hear how Arkansas is creating a transition plan for when their longtime VOCA Administrator, Debbie

Bousquet, retires later this year.

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Topic: Learn about a unique program in Hawaii that provides a broad range of services to domestic

violence survivors.

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Topic: Hear how Illinois utilizes a separate solicitation for transitional housing that includes wraparound services for survivors including career development and job training.

Cerissa Eubanks-Neely

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Topic: Learn how Utah collaborated with other victim services stakeholders to advocate for and later leverage additional state funding amidst VOCA

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Topic: Discover the process that Viriginia has undertaken while exploring the use of formula funding and what Viriginia has learned about the benefits and potential implications of formula funding.

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Topic: Hear how the Statistical Analysis Center (SAC) for Wisconsin worked with the VOCA Administrator and grants team to use data collected from VOCA subrecipients to create dashboards and streamline data review.