

Contract summary

Industry

Other Services

Location of contract

North East, North West, Yorkshire and The Humber, East Midlands, West Midlands, East of England, London, South East, South West, Wales

Value of contract

£5m million

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Opening date

18 August 2020

Closing date

15 September 2020

Contract start date

01 October 2020

Contract end date

31 March 2021

Description

The Home Office is seeking to award grant funding to Police and Crime Commissioners (PCCs) in England and Wales, to support the introduction of perpetrator-focused domestic abuse programmes in their area.

Domestic abuse is a devastating crime that shatters the lives of victims and their families. We are determined to ensure that anyone facing the threat of domestic abuse has the help they need. We are determined to transform our approach to domestic abuse to give victims the confidence to come forward and report their experiences, safe in the knowledge that they will receive the help they need to support them and their children and bring their perpetrator to justice.

In our Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) Strategy, we set out our ambition to tackle these horrendous VAWG crimes that disproportionately affect women and girls, including domestic abuse. Our vision is underpinned by four strategic pillars; prevention, provision of services, partnership working, and pursuing perpetrators.

While we want to stop violence and abuse happening in the first place, where it does happen, perpetrators must be brought to justice. Not only will we continue to ensure that effective criminal justice sanctions are taken against perpetrators, but we will also support sustainable behaviour change and robust disruption to reduce reoffending and stop perpetrators from moving from one victim to the next. We have continued to work hard to ensure that we are able to bring more perpetrators to justice and support victims through the criminal justice system, including introducing a landmark Domestic Abuse Bill alongside a programme of non-legislative action to transform the response to this appalling crime.

The Perpetrator Fund

From 2018 – 2020 the Government funded the development of a range of innovative approaches to working with perpetrators of domestic abuse through the Police Transformation Fund. We want to build on this work by funding the expansion of approaches that have demonstrated their effectiveness in working with perpetrators and to continue to develop the evidence base by funding programmes or interventions that require further evaluation of their impact. We also want to strengthen the evidence base for ‘what works’ in

addressing perpetrators' behaviour to support effective commissioning of services going forward.

To continue to support this work, the Government announced £10 million of funding in this year's Budget (from April 2020 – March 2021) for interventions working with perpetrators of domestic abuse.

From this £10 million of funding we are providing three funds open to Police and Crime Commissioners across England and Wales:

- £1.1 million funding for implementation of the Drive programme;
- **£5 million funding for perpetrator programmes or interventions delivered to perpetrators of domestic abuse in the community (other than Drive) [this fund];**
- £0.4 million for research on perpetrators of domestic abuse.

The primary aim of this £5 million fund is to increase the number of perpetrator-focussed programmes in local areas and strengthen the evaluation of these interventions. PCCs will be able to bid to roll out or expand programmes that tackle the problem of domestic abuse directly with perpetrators.

We are particularly looking to fund programmes that address known issues in relation to DA offending, these

include programmes that adopt a whole-system approach which enable perpetrators to fully participate in behaviour change through stabilising their related issues, notably substance misuse and mental health; and those that work with perpetrators during times of known trigger events, for example a partner's pregnancy. Given the rise in child to parent domestic abuse incidents, we are also interested in interventions for adolescent perpetrators.

To build a comprehensive evidence base, we need to accommodate a variety of perpetrator and offending behaviours, from early intervention through to intensive targeted programmes for high-harm and high-risk offenders. Therefore, we will be looking to fund a range of interventions.

The Drive Partnership has been allocated a separate fund of £1.1m to expand the provision of Drive nationally. Therefore, bids to this fund should not include Drive.

Eligibility

1. The fund is open to Police and Crime Commissioners (PCCs) in England and Wales.
2. Bidders must provide suitable evidence to demonstrate their ability to roll out the programme in their area.

3. Successful bidders must be transparent in relation to grant use, as this is part of the government's agenda concerning using public funds. All grant funding will be registered on the Government Grant Information System.
4. Bid submission outputs must contribute to the achievement of the overall outcomes of the funding, which are:
 - a. A sustained reduction of abuse
 - b. A reduction in risk posed by the perpetrator
 - c. Improved safety for victims of domestic abuse
 - d. Support system-level outcomes (through improving the availability of support targeted at perpetrators of DA; evaluation of perpetrator-focussed interventions; collaboration and joint-working)
5. Bids must comply with Home Office financial guidelines. Bidders should note that a Home Office condition of any grant funding will be that grant recipients are not permitted to charge, apply fees to or require payment for any activity provided in connection with this Grant Agreement or otherwise use the grant to undertake or engage in activities that result in commercial gain or profit.

6. We welcome bids involving partnership working with other organisations or agencies, however the PCC must be the lead organisation for any bid.
7. PCCs working with local partnerships may submit more than one bid, as long as they are registered separately, but Bidders may not receive separate grant funding to deliver the same set of interventions.
8. The activity should not duplicate or undermine current provision. Each bid must demonstrate there is a lack of provision for effectively tackling high risk, high harm perpetrators of domestic abuse.
9. The fund is primarily aimed at introducing new programmes in partnership with local organisations. However, we will also consider bids that seek to build on existing work provided Bidders can demonstrate how the service will be expanded, for example by extending geographical reach, targeting different cohorts, or adding to new elements to the programme.
10. Each bid must be for a minimum of £200,000 and maximum of £1,000,000 for this financial year. All submissions will be evaluated using the criteria made available in the published documents accessible via the eSourcing event.

11. Due to the point in the financial year at which this competition is being launched, we will require bids that have a match funding requirement of at least six months funding from April 2021. We will require quarterly progress reports against milestones, on which continued funding will be conditional.
12. Organisations must be aware that the allocation of funds will not be until after the signature of the Grant Agreement, likely to be September 2020 (half way through the financial year and therefore this needs to be factored into spending plans). We will consider investment already made in delivering interventions during the first half of 2020 as part of any winning submission, but this is no guarantee that income will be provided because each submission will be evaluated on its own merits.
13. PCCs should also be able to demonstrate that they have discussed with and gained the early agreement of any organisation they propose to work with, committing to partnership working as part of their submission.
14. PCCs should provide evidence of how the proposed activity fits with local strategic aims and links in with wider work with perpetrators and victims of domestic abuse at a local level. Bidders may wish to refer to the VAWG National Statement of Expectations for guidance on this point.

15. The bid must include a clear explanation of arrangements for safeguarding vulnerable people as part of their planned activities. Applicants should confirm that they have a modern slavery statement in place.
16. To ensure diversity of funding, please be aware that we may scale back top scoring bids in line with the scalability details provided. All submissions will be evaluated using the criteria made available in the published documents.
17. Successful bidders must be transparent in relation to grant use, as this is part of the government's agenda concerning using public funds. All grant funding will be registered on the Government Grant Information System.
18. The Home Office will award grant funding to the successful bids in arrears. PCCs should have their own financial arrangements in place where they are working with other agencies or organisations.
19. In making a final decision, we will take steps to ensure that there is an appropriate geographic distribution of funding.
20. The decision of the assessment panel is final.

The process leading to the award of the grant will be administered using the Home Office eSourcing portal. To take part in this grant funding opportunity please see the notice below which provides important instructions for registration on the portal. **Please read all information in this notice carefully.** Please also find attached guidance for using the eSourcing portal. If you have any questions or problems regarding registration please email customersupport@jaggaer.com

NOTICE TO SUPPLIERS

In December 2016, the Cabinet Office launched its minimum standards for government grants: These include the requirement that competition should be the default option when considering award of grant funding.

To comply, the Home Office has decided to manage its competitions using their Jaggaer eSourcing portal. The event will be run on the Home Office (HO) Jaggaer eSourcing portal.

How to register

In order to bid for funding, bidders will first need to register on the portal via the following link:

<https://homeoffice.app.jaggaer.com/web/login.html>

Bidders should be approved for usage within 24 hours of registering on the system.

After clicking on the eSourcing portal link, it should take you to the home page. On the left-hand side of this page, just below the login boxes, there is an option to register.

To register as a supplier you will need to provide information which will include:

- the full legal name of your organisation
- your DUNS number – a unique nine-digit number provided to organisations free of charge by Dun & Bradstreet
- profile information describing your organisation and the size of your business

Once registered as a supplier on the portal please send a notification e-mail to

DAPerpetratorFund@homeoffice.gov.uk to request access to the associated documents for the Perpetrator Programme Fund.

If you have any difficulties registering on the system then you should contact the Supplier eSourcing

Helpdesk: customersupport@jaggaer.com

The HO Jaggaer eSourcing portal is independent of other eSourcing portals. Therefore if you have registered on the Crown Commercial Service Jaggaer eSourcing portal, you will also need to register on the HO Jaggaer eSourcing portal.

Please note that bids will only be accepted via the HO eSourcing portal. Any bids received outside of this system will not be considered by the Authority.

Please note that registering for access to the eSourcing tool will not make you a Home Office supplier. To be considered for award of funding you must first respond to an opportunity.

Further information about procurement at the Home Office can be found on the [gov.uk](https://www.gov.uk) website.

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Other information

How to apply

Once successfully registered on the system you should email DAPerpetratorFund@homeoffice.gov.uk . You will then be given access to the event on the eSourcing portal, where you will find all the documentation needed. Applications for the fund will be submitted via the eSourcing portal.