



National Alliance to
End Sexual Violence

Sex Offense Set-Aside in PHHSBG

FY 2020 Request: Fund the Preventative Health and Health Services Block Grant at \$160 million. Preserve the \$7 million set-aside for rape victim services & prevention (level funding).

Flexible funding for community needs. The Preventative Health and Health Services Block Grant (PHHSBG) administered by the CDC allows states, territories and tribes to address their own unique public health needs and challenges with innovative and community driven methods.

\$7 million set-aside to address sexual assault. The Public Health Service Act of 2010 included a guaranteed \$7 million minimum set-aside to support direct services to victims of sexual assault and to prevent rape.

Preserve the set-aside. President Trump's FY 2019 budget proposed elimination of the PHHSBG, but Congress preserved the block grant guaranteeing at least \$7 million to respond to rape.

“The Rape Set-Aside component of the Preventative Health and Health Services Block Grant is the foundation of rape crisis and rape prevention in our state. First awarded to all states and the District of Columbia in 1981, the funds continue to connect rape survivors with support and treatment for the most devastating crime short of murder. The funds reach into all geographical areas of the state of Illinois providing crisis intervention and education services.” Polly Poskin, retired director of the Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault and founder of the National Alliance to End Sexual Violence

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