



## Ohio Revised Code

### Section 109.46 Domestic violence program fund.

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(A) As used in this section, "domestic violence program" means any of the following:

(1) The nonprofit state domestic violence coalition designated by the family and youth services bureau of the United States department of health and human services;

(2) A program operated by a nonprofit entity the primary purpose of which is to provide a broad range of services to victims of domestic violence that may include, but are not limited to, hotlines, emergency shelters, victim advocacy and support, justice systems advocacy, individual and group counseling for adults and children, or transitional service and education to prevent domestic violence. The program may provide some or all of the services described in this division.

(B)(1) There is hereby created in the state treasury the domestic violence program fund consisting of money appropriated to the fund by the general assembly or donated to the fund. The attorney general shall administer the domestic violence program fund. The attorney general may not use more than five per cent of the moneys appropriated or deposited into the fund to pay costs associated with administering the fund, and shall use at least ninety-five per cent of the moneys appropriated or deposited into the fund for the purpose of providing funding to domestic violence programs under this section.

(2) The attorney general shall adopt rules pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code that shall establish procedures for domestic violence programs to apply to the attorney general for funding from the domestic violence program fund and procedures for the attorney general to distribute money out of the fund to domestic violence programs.

(C)(1) Priority of funding from the domestic violence program fund shall be given to the domestic violence programs in existence on and after July 1, 2017.

(2) A domestic violence program that receives funds from the domestic violence program fund shall



use the funds received for the following purposes:

- (a) To provide training and technical assistance to service providers, if the program that receives the funds is the nonprofit state domestic violence coalition specified in division (A)(1) of this section;
  
- (b) To provide services to victims of domestic violence, including, but not limited to, education to prevent domestic violence, if the program that receives the funds is a nonprofit entity described in division (A)(2) of this section. Funds received under this division may also be used for general operating support, including capital improvements and primary prevention and risk reduction programs for the general population.