

August 22, 2025

Greetings applicants,

The SOS Team would like to congratulate you on being selected as an SOS Community Grantee. Your role is crucial in our mission to assist the Commonwealth of Virginia Service Members, Veterans, and their Families (SMVF) with Suicide Prevention and/or Opioid Addiction Services. We appreciate your patience while we reviewed and approved an unprecedented amount of applications.

Our SOS Grants Administrators, Brehima Camara, Danielle Marbley and Bonnie Hummer as well as myself, will be here to guide and support you. Next week, we will be sending you a grant agreement to execute. Once you receive the alert from the portal, please log into your account in the DVS grants portal at grants.dvs.virginia.gov. You will find the grant agreement attached in your grant tracking section. Please read, download, and sign the grant agreement in two sections. Then, upload the signed grant agreement into the grant tracking section of your portal. The grant agreement outlines the terms and conditions of the grant, including reporting requirements and fund usage. Please do not sign the agreement until you have read it thoroughly. No funds will be issued until we have received your signed grant agreement. Grant funds will be issues in one payment.

Also, in honor of **National Suicide Prevention Month**, we are hosting a **Suicide Prevention Symposium** at ECPI at 5555 Greenwich Road, Virginia Beach, Virginia 23462. This Symposium will be held on September 26, 2025, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Thank you, and again congratulations,

Dr. Angela Porter SOS Director

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