

Transportation

What is it?

Practical and useful

Reliable transportation can include one's own vehicle, public services like buses and subways, private services like taxis and vans for hire, and agency vehicles driven by program staff.

Why is it important?

Access, access, access

Being able to make choices about where and when one travels can be empowering for people who may have been told when and where they could go. Transportation provides access to basic needs and community support for survivors.

Is this required?

No

While there are no rules requiring a Domestic Violence Program to make transportation available to survivors, it is important to be able to help survivors in imminent danger reach emergency shelter and to help survivors travel to things like jobs, schools, and necessary appointments. OFV funding can be applied to transportation-related costs.

How do we make it happen?

Local resources can help.

Access what is currently available in your community or agency. Strategize about the best ways to meet the needs of clients using what is available. This could mean making vouchers for public transportation available or purchasing an agency vehicle. The need and resources will help you decide.