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Dear Sexual Assault Service Provider:

FORGE, a 17-year-old national transgender and SOFFA (Significant Others, Friends, Family and Allies) organization headquartered in Milwaukee, has received funding from the Office for Victims of Crime, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice (OVC)ⁱ to increase the ability of sexual assault agencies to provide culturally competent and appropriate services to transgender sexual assault survivors.

We know that many agencies have worked diligently to increase services to marginalized populations. To learn more about how you/your agency has worked with diverse populations, we invite your participation in an online survey. In addition to learning more about your agency's service provision and policies, we are also interested in knowing how your agency prefers to access trainings.

You can take the survey here <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/trans-training-needs>. All results will be reported only in the aggregate (no individually-identifiable, organization-specific data will be released).

This survey has been approved by the Morehouse School of Medicine Institutional Review Board, and should take you approximately 30 minutes to complete. If you have questions about the survey, the co-investigators are lore m. dickey, Ph.D., who can be reached at Imdickey.research@gmail.com, and Loree Cook-Daniels, LoreeCD@aol.com) More information about the project can be obtained from FORGE's Executive Director, Michael Munson at mmunson@forge-forward.org, or by phone at 414-559-2123.

For more information about FORGE, please visit our website at www.forge-forward.org.

We encourage EVERYONE in your agency to take this survey. We welcome the diversity of responses to better understand individual and agency needs and experiences.

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