

The mission of the **Association of VAWA Administrators (AVA)** is to encourage and facilitate mutual support, peer enrichment, awareness and collaboration among states and territories administering **STOP Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)** Formula Grant Programs.

Membership Benefits

Benefits Provided	Benefits to all due paying members	Limited benefits to non- members
Peer-to-Peer Support: Connect with fellow STOP VAWA administrators to share challenges, solutions and best practices in a collaborative and supportive environment.	~	
Information Gathering: AVA regularly surveys state administrators on various topics to inform the development of pragmatic positions to share with OVW.	~	
Networking Opportunities: AVA conducts its annual peer-led meeting and monthly calls to provide a forum for discussing challenges, sharing strategies and collaborating with others administering the STOP formula grant program.	~	Monthly calls available three times per year
Communications: AVA, through the listserv, website, and other means, provides timely information on the administration of VAWA grants and related resources.	~	Non-members do not have access to the "Members Only" section of the website
Scholarships: AVA offers limited scholarship opportunities for its members. In difficult economic times, travel and training funds are often the first to be cut from state budgets, leaving administrators unable to access necessary training.	~	
Advocacy: AVA serves as a liaison between its members and the Office of Violence Against Women (OVW), as well as other key stakeholders, to represent your interests and amplify the collective voice of VAWA administrators across the country.	~	
Members-Only Online Resource Center: Access to a comprehensive collection of tools, templates, and other resources to enhance your STOP VAWA program administration and professional development.	~	
Leadership and Governance Engagement: Participation and attendance at AVA Annual Meeting and Luncheon with voting rights, along with the potential to join the Board.	✓	Non-members may attend, but do not have voting rights. Board positions are only available to members.