Grants awarded to area sexual, domestic violence programs

(KNZA)--Governor Laura Kelly has announced that nearly \$4.7 million has been awarded to Kansas sexual and domestic violence programs—including in Jackson and Leavenworth Counties--through the 2021 American Rescue Plan Act.

In Jackson County, the Midwest Native Coalition for Justice and Peace was awarded two grants totaling \$426,926.

In Leavenworth County, the Alliance Against Family Violence was awarded two grants totaling \$181,955.

A release from the Governor's Office says the funding will assist sexual assault support centers with transitioning to virtual/remote support services and increase their capacity to offer services to sexual assault survivors. The funds will also go toward measures to increase access to COVID-19 testing, vaccines, and mobile health units to promote public health.

Kelly said the funding will help sexual and domestic abuse survivors access the support and resources they need – no matter where they are in the state.

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