2025-2026 Biennial Budget Request $1 Million
(actually 20% line item increase = $990,534 roughly $1M)

1. Find your award letter from the Division.
2. How much is your VOCA award? $__________________
3. What is 40% of your VOCA award? $_____________
4. How much is your State DV/SA awards? $_____________
5. Subtract the base of $30,000 = $__________________
6. What is 20% of #5? $__________________
7. Adding lines 3 and 7 will give you the impact on your program. $_____________

However, if there is no cut, or very little cut, to VOCA, line 6 is what you most likely will have with a budget increase. What will that cover in your budget? Will you be able to keep current staff? Add benefits? Add another advocate?

For example: Lisa Peterman of Park County demonstrates with her award letter for FY24:

1. Find your award letter from the Division.
2. How much is your VOCA award? $78,250
3. What is 40% of your VOCA award? $31,300
4. How much is your State DV/SA awards? $123,555
5. Subtract the base of $30,000 = $93,555
6. What is 20% of #5? $18,711
7. Adding lines 3 and 7 will give you the impact on your program. $12,589

Lisa will still be in the red. But, if VOCA isn’t cut or isn’t cut much - this amount can help pay for the bookkeeper for the year!

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