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2018 SORNA REGIONAL WORKSHOP – SORNA Sustainability



Lessons Learned in Indian Country



Options for Implementation

- Will you complete all aspects of sex offender registration and community notification?
- Will you opt to work cooperatively with other state or tribal jurisdictions to complete all aspects of registration?
- Will you delegate authority to implement your SORNA program with another entity?

Delegation to State

- A tribe who does not implement in a reasonable amount of time
- A tribe that falls short of a standardized program
- A Tribe may choose to delegate
 - The State will be required to assume all responsibilities of implementation

SORNA Implementation is the Beginning of your Sex Offender Management Program

- Sustainment of your Tribe's SORNA Program is the Next Step
- SORNA Implementation Assurance Process

Plan to Sustain your SORNA Program

- Identify other agencies both internal and external that would benefit from a partnership with your tribal agency
- Identify past barriers to working together
- Seek solutions to resolve those barriers
- Form mutually beneficial partnerships
- Collaboration is the key to success

Developing an Effective Memorandum of Understanding

(MOU's and MOA's)
to Promote Collaboration

Memorandum of Understanding

- A written agreement that clarifies relationships and responsibilities between two or more parties that share services, clients and resources

Collaboration thru MOUs/MOAs

- Why is this important?
 - MOU's, MOA's, and Inter-governmental agreements can ensure there is transition of information that remains in place through changes in administration

Benefits of MOUs/MOAs

- Provides formal written agreement between jurisdictions
- Defines Roles and Responsibilities
- Provides Mutual Understanding of Duties
- Minimizes Conflicts
- Prescribes a Specific Dispute Resolution Process
- Prescribes Coordination and Communication

State and Local Partners



Identify State and Local Partners

- State Police and State Department of Public Safety
- Local sheriff's or city police department
- State and Local probation or parole office
- Local treatment providers/evaluators

Other Tribes as Partners

- Networking – Sharing Information, Exchange Information
- Share Resources – Equipment, Services, Personnel
- Grants

Other Steps to Ensure Continuity in your SORNA Program

- How do you engage other stakeholders: tribal council, elders, other tribal agencies?
- How do you ensure continuity of the SORNA program during staff turnover or changes in tribal administration.

Funding of your SORNA Program Beyond Implementation

- How to develop community support to fund and sustain your SORNA Program
- Developing partners who can assist with SORNA registration
- Budgetary options to help sustain your tribal SORNA Program

Resources

- SMART Office
 - SORNA interpretation
 - Funding opportunities
 - Training and technical assistance
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Resources (Cont'd)

- FVTC – National Criminal Justice Training Center
 - Training and technical assistance
 - Resource experts
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Leadership



Leadership

- Name a person who is/was a great leader
- What were the qualities that made this person an effective leader?

Leadership

- Don't be afraid to fail
- An effective leader takes Action – Inaction leads nowhere and is a guarantee for failure
- Learn from your mistakes and build on your successes

Summary

- No single component – in and of itself - is a sufficient strategy
- Collective work and expertise is critical
- Work must be integrated and collaborative
- Take Action

SORNA Sustainment Discussion

- What are your next steps for on-going SORNA Sustainment for your Tribe?
- What should your SORNA Sustainment plan look like?

QUESTIONS?

