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Training & Technical Assistance Providers for the Office for Victims of Crime, Comprehensive Tribal Victim Assistance, and Children's Justice Act Grantees



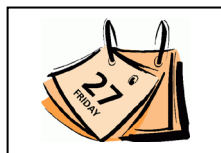
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## OVC News...

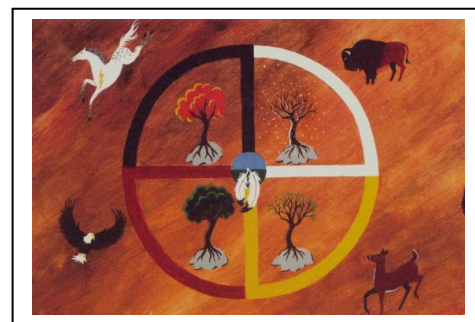
**FY 2020 Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS)** – This [solicitation](#) provides federally recognized tribes and tribal consortia an opportunity to apply for funding to aid in developing a comprehensive and coordinated approach to public safety and victimization. The majority of DOJ's existing Tribal Government-specific programs are included in and available through this single Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation. Each purpose area may have different eligibility requirements. For more information, please review the eligibility information under each purpose area section. 1) Federally recognized Indian tribes. 2) Consortia consisting of two or more federally recognized Indian tribes. 3) Tribal designees are eligible applicants only for certain activities related to the DOJ's Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) and Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) programs (see eligibility information for CTAS Purpose Areas 5 and 6, respectively). Current Closing Date for Applications: February 25, 2020.



### Online Expert Q&A: Innovative Practices for Family Justice Centers –

Family Justice Centers provide a "one-stop shop" for victims of family violence (intimate partner violence, sexual assault, and elder abuse). These co-located, multidisciplinary service centers reduce the number of places a victim must go to receive services following the crime. Services include, but are not limited to, assistance with protective orders, legal services, medical, counseling, safety planning, and more. This session will allow the audience to inquire about innovative practices within the Family Justice Center model. Register [here](#) for this expert Q&A happening February 19, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. ET

**A Circle of Healing for Native Children Endangered by Drugs** – "This [seven-video series](#) weaves Native stories and cultural practices from across the Nation to show many of the ways children, families, and communities are healing from drug endangerment. These videos and the [accompanying guide](#) are intended to generate conversation and inspire communities to come together to develop, enhance, and share their own responses to these issues.



There is no single tribal model or best practice for addressing the effects of alcohol- and drug-related violence and victimization. Each community must determine the culturally relevant responses best for helping their victims heal. These videos are intended to help develop awareness and provide examples of victim-centered programs and approaches."



**Trainings Available to Help Rural and Tribal Organizations Apply for Funding** – "The Office of Justice Programs is sponsoring a [training series](#) to educate rural and tribal organizations and agencies on how to apply for funding opportunities.

Representatives from the Office for Victims of Crime, the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, and the Bureau of Justice Assistance will provide an overview of the grants application process. They will also highlight funding application requirements and identify tools and resources for applicants. These trainings will be held on multiple dates this February. All trainings can be attended in-person and some can also be attended remotely via webinar."



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**OVC TTAC's Expert Q&A: Helping Survivors of Multiple Victimization** – "Polyvictimization refers to having experienced multiple victimizations, such as sexual abuse, physical abuse, bullying, and exposure to family violence, and occurs when individuals experience different kinds of victimization, rather than multiple episodes of the same kind of victimization. Understanding the prevalence, occurrence, and identification of polyvictimization across all generations is essential for victim advocates and other victim-serving professionals to help ensure that the right types of assistance, support, and intervention are made available." Register [here](#) for the March 18, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. ET.

For a complete list of current funding solicitations from OVC, visit <http://ovc.ncjrs.gov/Solicitation.aspx>.

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## Special Feature: Attend a Tribal Consultation on Tribal Set-Aside Funding from the Crime Victims Fund...

**Registration Now Open** – OVC invites tribal leaders, representatives, and stakeholders to participate in a government to government consultation to discuss tribal set-aside funding from the Crime Victims Fund and how it should be programmed.

The Tribal Consultation on Tribal Set-Aside Funding from the Crime Victims Fund will be held on Wednesday, February 12, 2020, at the Capital Hilton in Washington, D.C., in conjunction with the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) 2020 Executive Council Winter Session. Interested parties unable to attend in-person will have an opportunity to join one of two phone consultations on Thursday, February 13, 2020.

### Consultation Highlights:

#### Onsite:

Date: Wednesday, February 12, 2020

Time: 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. – Pre-registration Check-in and Onsite Registration  
1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. – Tribal Consultation

Location: Capital Hilton, 1001 16th Street NW, Washington, DC 20036, Congressional Room

Register: <http://www.cvent.com/d/mhghny> (You do not have to register for the NCAI 2020 Executive Council Winter Session to register for the consultation.)

#### By Phone:

Date: Thursday, February 13, 2020

Time: Consultation 1 – 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. eastern time      Consultation 2 – 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. eastern time

Register: [Consultation 1](#) or [Consultation 2](#)

Those without Internet access or the ability to pre-register may call into the phone meetings at 844-845-4169 or 412-717-9620 and ask to join the United States Department of Justice Office of Tribal Justice call.

[View an informational Framing Paper](#) that provides relevant background and questions for you to consider in advance of the consultations.

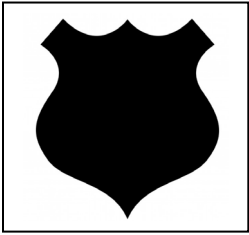
## Resources...

**The AMBER Advocate Newsletter: Issue 4** – OJJDP has released the latest issue of [The AMBER Advocate newsletter](#).

This issue features articles on:

- The 2019 AMBER Alert in Indian Country Symposium and remarks by Pamela Foster, the mother of Ashlynnne Mike, a Navajo girl who was abducted and murdered.
- The Good Samaritan and Minnesota AMBER Alert that lead to the safe return of two abducted girls.
- Tanea Parmenter, Idaho's AMBER Alert co-coordinator.





**Badge of Bravery Nominations** – Nominate federal, state, local, and tribal law enforcement officers for the 2019 Law Enforcement Congressional Badge of Bravery. Nomination tools and resources are available to help you submit your nominations to recognize deserving law enforcement officers.

- Application template: <https://badgeofbravery.ncjrs.gov/CBOBApplicationTemplate.pdf...>
- FAQs: [https://badgeofbravery.ncjrs.gov/definitions\\_faqs.aspx...](https://badgeofbravery.ncjrs.gov/definitions_faqs.aspx...)
- Nomination guidelines: <https://badgeofbravery.ncjrs.gov/help.html...>

Nominate [Here!](#)

### **Planning and Developing Infrastructure to Promote the Mental Health of Children, Youth and Families in American Indian/Alaska Natives (AI/AN) Communities**

– The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS), is accepting applications for fiscal year (FY) 2020 [Planning and Developing Infrastructure to Promote the Mental Health of Children, Youth and Families in American Indian/Alaska Natives \(AI/AN\) Communities](#) (Short Title: Circles of Care) grants. The purpose of this program is to provide tribal and urban Indian communities with tools and resources to plan and design a holistic, evidence and community-based, coordinated system of care to support mental health for children, youth, and families. These grants are intended to increase the capacity and effectiveness of mental health systems serving AI/AN communities. Circles of Care grant recipients will focus on the need to reduce the gap between the need for mental health services and the availability of such services for the target population. The program has a strong emphasis on cross-system collaboration, inclusion of family, youth and community resources, and cultural approaches.



**An Advocate's Guide to Tax Issues affecting Victims of Human Trafficking** – “The University of Baltimore School of Law Human Trafficking Prevention Project, the University of Baltimore Low-Income Taxpayer Clinic, the Human Trafficking Legal Center and Ropes & Gray LLP launched a joint guide examining tax consequences for survivors of human trafficking. Although few people associate human trafficking and tax fraud, human trafficking victims often experience both at the hands of their traffickers. Victims can be haunted for years after they have escaped their traffickers, fending off IRS investigations resulting from the underlying victimization. Traffickers often use their power over victims to commit tax fraud. Traffickers fail to pay employer-side taxes, steal their victims' identities, file false tax returns in victims' names, and seize fraudulent tax refunds.” Read more [here](#).

## **Training & Events...**



**2020 Financial Management Training Seminars** – The U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) Office of Justice Programs (OJP) offers grantees a limited number of 2-day [financial management training seminars](#). OJP will host ten Basic Financial Management Training Seminars and two Advanced Financial Management Training Seminars. Eight will take place in Washington, DC, on January 29-30, February 26-27, March 25-26, April 22-23, July 22-23, August 19-20, November 18-19, and December 2-3, 2020. Two additional Basic Financial Management Training Seminars will take place outside of Washington, DC, one in San Diego, CA, on June 17-18, and one in San Antonio, TX on September 23-24, 2020. In addition, OJP has scheduled two Advanced Financial Management Training Seminars on May 20-21, and October 21-22, 2020.

The Financial Management Training Seminars are designed for individuals responsible for the financial administration of discretionary and/or formula grants awarded from Federal grant-in-aid programs administered by the Bureaus and Offices of DOJ OJP, including the Bureau of Justice Assistance; Bureau of Justice Statistics; National Institute of Justice; Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention; Office for Victims of Crime; and the Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering, and Tracking Office. Officials from OJP's Office of the Chief Financial Officer lead each live seminar.

As an alternative to attending a live seminar, we encourage grantees to take advantage of the free online Grants Financial Management training course designed specifically for DOJ grantees. This online course covers the same topics as the live seminar and the completion of this course fulfills any requirement for training that is required by your grant. To access this training, please visit the [DOJ Grants Financial Management Online Training site](#).

**38th Annual Protecting Our Children Conference** – National Indian Child Welfare Association (NICWA) is hosting its [38th Annual Protecting Our Children Conference](#) in Denver, Colorado, from March 29–April 1, 2020. The early bird deadline to [register](#) is February 28, 2020. “Keynote speakers range from federal officials at the highest level of government to youth with lived experience in child welfare systems. NICWA provides meaningful programming to conference attendees, creating a space where participants can learn about the latest developments and best practices from experts in the field and from one another. Participants represent a cross-section of fields and interests including child welfare, mental health, and juvenile justice service providers; legal professionals; students; advocates for children; and tribal, state, and federal leaders.”





**Free DOJ Training** – “The Department of Justice’s National Indian Country Training Initiative (NICTI), together with the National Domestic Violence Fatality Review Initiative, is pleased to announce the Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team Training. The training will be held April 6-7, 2020, at the National Advocacy Center in Columbia, South Carolina. Travel and lodging accommodations will be paid for by the Department of Justice’s Office of Legal Education.

Every year, people are murdered at the hands of an intimate partner. Increasingly, criminal justice professionals and other practitioners involved in domestic violence cases are using domestic violence fatality reviews as a tool that may help reduce the many deaths due to intimate partner homicide. In a fatality review, community practitioners and service providers identify homicides and suicides resulting from domestic violence, examine the events leading up to the death, identify gaps in service delivery, and improve preventive interventions. Fatality reviews can reveal trends and may lead to changes to the system that could prevent future deaths. They may also enhance prevention and intervention programs aimed at reducing the death toll from acts of domestic violence. Reviewing domestic violence death over time might identify broader issues with social policies, criminal justice intervention strategies, and political initiatives.

This training is designed for federal, state and tribal criminal justice professionals and community service providers who investigate, prosecute and respond to domestic violence crimes. This training will address what constitutes a domestic violence fatality review, how to convene a review, and it will address legal issues – like confidentiality – that frequently arise during the review process. Priority admission will go to applicants working on cases arising in Indian Country.

This class will have a mock fatality review exercise component. Criminal justice professionals and community-based service providers are encouraged to register as a team.

Please complete and submit the nomination form at the following link for each of your nominees:

<https://survey.ole.justice.gov/snapwebhost/s.asp?k=157901035863>

For offices with multiple individuals interested in attending, we ask that supervisors rank nominees in order of preference for acceptance. We are expecting significant interest in this event. The nomination deadline is **Friday, February 7, 2020**. The NICTI will review all nominations and will send an e-mail advising nominees of their selection on or about **February 17, 2020**. Selected nominees will also receive information on how to book travel and lodging.

In order to ensure that our records are correct, please **type** in the required information when completing the nomination forms. Illegible and/or incomplete forms will not be considered.

Due to the increasing number of last-minute cancellations we must ask that only nominations for those who are certain to attend be submitted.

The Executive Office for United States Attorneys will provide reasonable accommodations to people with disabilities. Requests should be made to Delores Johnson as early as possible, preferably at least two weeks in advance of the seminar. No nominee will be excluded from a course on the basis of a disability-related accommodations request.

This training is authorized under the Government Employees Training Act.

Any questions regarding this training seminar should be directed to Delores Johnson at (803) 705-5123 or [delores.johnson@usdoj.gov](mailto:delores.johnson@usdoj.gov).”

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