CTAS-FY 2016

Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation Purpose Area 6 and Purpose Area 7-OVC
Webinar Agenda

- Welcome Opening Remarks
- What is the Office for Victims of Crime?
- Eligibility Exceptions
- Overview of OVC’s Tribal Initiatives:
  - PA 6 Children’s Justice Act & PA 7 Comprehensive Tribal Victim Assistance Program Requirements and Allowable and Unallowable Costs
- Purpose Areas Funding Amounts and How to Apply
- Q & A
To enhance the Nation’s capacity to assist crime victims and to provide leadership in changing attitudes, policies and practices in ways that promote justice and healing for all victims.
The Office for Victims of Crime is charged by Congress with administering the Crime Victims Fund, a major source of funding for victims services and compensation throughout the Nation.

OVC supports:

- State Victim Compensation and Assistance Programs
- Programs for Assisting Victims in Tribal Communities
- Terrorism and Mass Violence Programs
- National Scope Demonstration Projects
- Trafficking Programs
- Training and Technical Assistance (OVC TTAC)
- Resource Development
- Vision 21 Programming
Purpose Areas:

- PA 6: Children's Justice Act Partnerships for Indian Communities
- PA 7: Comprehensive Tribal Victim Assistance Program
Eligibility- Who can apply?

- Federally-recognized Tribes as determined by the Secretary of the Interior, listed on the Federal Register
- Alaska Native Villages and Corporations
- Tribal Consortium consisting of two or more federally-recognized Tribes
- Tribal designee
Eligibility Exceptions

- PA6 and 7 - Tribal designees are eligible participants for PA6 and 7

- PA6 CTAS FY 2015 Children’s Justice Act Awardees are not eligible to apply for CTAS FY 16 CJA Program; however, they may apply for funding under the FY16 CTVA Program.

- PA7 CTAS FY 2015 Comprehensive Tribal Victim Assistance Awardees are not eligible to apply for CTAS FY 16 CTVA Program; however, they may apply for funding under the FY16 CJA Program.
The CJA Partnership for Indian Communities Program supports American Indian and Alaskan Native communities for the purpose of improving the investigation, prosecution and handling of child abuse cases, especially cases of child sexual abuse, in a manner that increases support for and lessen trauma to child victims.

The funding further supports the development and implementation of comprehensive programs for abused children and procedures to address child abuse cases in tribal courts and child protection service systems.
The Objectives are to:

- improve the investigation, prosecution and overall handling of cases of child abuse, child sexual abuse and severe physical abuse.
- Identify critical needs of children who are victims of child abuse.
- establish multidisciplinary teams and provide training in order to reinforce protocols.
work collaboratively with a technical assistance provider and other grantees to establish effective data collection mechanisms.

to develop a strategic plan and logic model to set priorities, allocate resources, and determine the best direction for the program’s future.
Applicants may apply for funding to include, but not limited to:

1. Staffing – All personnel must be clearly linked to victim assistance program activities.
2. Coordination/Outreach/Awareness – support meetings, community forums, development and distribution of protocols, polices, tribal codes, PSA’s posters, brochures, fact sheets, etc.
3. Needs Assessment/Strategic Plan/Logic Model - funds can be used for activities associated with conducting a needs assessment and developing a strategic plan and logic model.

4. Comprehensive Victim Assistance – funding must be used to provide, but not limited to the following: case management- assessment of clients’ needs, safety planning, information referral.
5. Travel – lodging, airfare, and mileage reimbursement for meetings or training cost related to cooperative agreement activities, costs associated with OVC/DOJ – required training or meetings.

6. Equipment and Supplies – purchase of new or enhancement of existing equipment/ technology exclusively related to the implementation of the child victim assistance program.
7. Training – funding can be used to support training specific to child victim assistance. The OVC American Indian and Alaskan Native (AI/AN) Training and Technical Assistance Provider (TTA) will provide training for grantees on specific victim assistance topics.

Unallowable Activities include: prevention and construction related costs are not allowable under this award. Please see the FAQs at [www.justice.gov/tribal/](http://www.justice.gov/tribal/)
Applicants must submit a separate narrative for each purpose area to which they are applying.

To build your Purpose Area Narrative, use the sample template at:

www.justice.gov/tribal/open-sol.html
This purpose area is designed to improve the investigation, prosecution and handling of child abuse cases, especially cases of child sexual abuse in a manner that increases support for and lessens trauma to child victims. The applicant should ensure that no less than 50% funding should support comprehensive victim assistance needs.
In addition to any staff-victim service related travel, applicants must budget sufficient funds in travel over the course of the cooperative agreement project to cover one required OVC/DOJ-sponsored training per year, which includes two required DOJ-sponsored trainings identified in the “Budget Detail Worksheet and Narrative section on page 9 of the CTAS solicitation.”
Applicants are expected to address all performance measures under this Purpose Area. They should describe their ability, through a formal process, to collect information related to the performance measures listed in the solicitation on page 45.
Ongoing Support –
OVC seeks to ensure that all tribal programs are provided training and technical assistance necessary to assist grantees with implementing successful projects. The TTA Providers will:

- Support CJA/CTVA program in developing a comprehensive needs assessment and implementing a strategic plan and logic model.
Support CJA Program grantees in developing or enhancing a comprehensive child victim assistance programs that provide coordinated, collaborative and multidisciplinary responses.

Support CTVA Program grantees in developing a comprehensive array of culturally appropriate victim-centered services to victims of crime, their families, and the community.
Overview

CTAS Purpose Area 7

Comprehensive Tribal Victim Assistance Program

- To develop (or enhance) and sustain a comprehensive victim assistance program that (1) provides a coordinated and collaborative multidisciplinary response to victims of crime, their families and the community and (2) provide trauma-informed, culturally holistic services to victims of crime, their families and the community.
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Allowable Expenses

- **Staffing:** Funding supports personnel who provide and oversee staff providing direct victim assistance to victims of crime, such as advocates, case managers, response team coordinators, counselors, volunteers, individuals contracted to provide direct services to victims such as short-term individual counseling or support groups. All personnel must be clearly linked to victim assistance program activities. **Funding cannot support prosecutors or investigators.**
Coordination/Outreach/Awareness: Funding can be used to support meetings, community forums, development and distribution of protocols, policies, tribal codes, PSAs, posters, brochures, fact sheets, etc.
Needs assessment/Strategic plan/Logic model: Funding can be used for activities associated with conducting a needs assessment and developing a strategic plan and logic model, which are required tasks under this project. Grantees must use the OVC training and technical assistance (TTA) provider for these activities.
Comprehensive victim assistance: Funding must be used to provide comprehensive victim assistance. Funding cannot support investigation and prosecution services.

Travel: Airfare, lodging, and mileage reimbursement for meeting or training costs related to grant activities, including costs associated with OVC/DOJ-required trainings or meetings.
Equipment and supplies: New or enhancement of existing equipment/technology exclusively related to the enhancement or implementation of the victim assistance program.

Training: Funding can be used to support training specific to victim assistance, training and technical assistance conferences, seminars, classes, and program staff professional development, etc. Grantees must first utilize the OVC AI/AN TTA provider, available to them at no cost, for any training needs.
Funding cannot support prevention activities, prosecutors or investigators.
This purpose area is designed to support comprehensive and coordinated multidisciplinary responses and victim assistance. Therefore, applicants should ensure that at least 50% of the funding supports comprehensive victim assistance needs, which includes salaries for staff that provide direct services to victims.
Additionally, funds cannot be used to support investigation and prosecution activities. If the applicant would like to complement the crime victim program by hiring an investigator or prosecutor, we encourage the applicant to apply for funding under Purpose Areas #5 and/or #6.
PA 6 Children’s Justice Act Partnerships for Indian Communities:

- Estimated Amount of Funding Available $2.7 million
- Number of Awards to be made: Approximately 6 awards; up to a maximum of $450,000 per award
- Length of award: 3 years

PA 7 Comprehensive Tribal Victim Assistance Program:

- Estimated Amount of Funding Available $10.8 million
- Number of Awards to be made: estimated 27 awards, up to a maximum of $450,000 per award
- Length of award: 3 years
*Register with GMS early* – No later than February 2, 2016

- Instructions to register/submit application in GMS: [https://grants.ojp.usdoj.gov/gmsexternal/](https://grants.ojp.usdoj.gov/gmsexternal/)
- GMS: GMSHelpDesk@usdoj.gov, 1-888-549-9901 (opt. 3), M-F, 6AM-12:00AM ET
How to Apply (Continued)

- Be sure to acquire a Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) Number well in advance of applying, if you do not already have one at [www.dnb.com/gov](http://www.dnb.com/gov)

- Acquire or renew registration with the System for Award Management (SAM) database well in advance of applying (replaces CCR) at [www.sam.gov](http://www.sam.gov)
**Please don’t wait until the last day to submit the application in GMS.**
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Questions?

***Reminder: The deadline is Tuesday, February 23, 2016 @ 9pm ET