

## **U.S. Department of Justice**

### **Tribal Training, Consultation, and Listening Sessions**

We are pleased to announce additional Department of Justice listening sessions which will be held preceding and after the 2014 Annual Violence Against Women Tribal Consultation that will occur in Rapid City, SD October 14-16, 2014.

The purpose of the listening sessions are to help us improve the existing discretionary competitive grant-making process for tribal specific awards funded under the Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS). Additionally, we will be joined by the Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Family and Youth Services Bureau. They will conduct a tribal consultation session regarding the Family Violence and Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA). They will solicit tribal views on modifying the current tribal funding formula. We will also invite American Indian and Alaska Native young adults from age 18-25 to participate in a listening session to gather their views on public safety and justice matters. Finally, we invited the Department of Interior to join us in a listening session to solicit your views on the tribal infrastructure for detention and alternatives supported by the Correctional Facilities and Alternatives to Detention Program administered by the Bureau of Justice Assistance.

#### **October 14, 2014**

**9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.**

#### **Department of Justice Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation Grants Listening Session**

The three major grant-making components at the Department of Justice (DOJ), the Office for Justice Programs (OJP), the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW), and the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), play an important role in supporting tribal governments. In addition to providing grants to tribal governments to support public safety efforts, OJP, COPS, and OVW provide training and technical assistance to tribal governments, translate evidence and research based practices and support research, statistical gathering, analysis and reporting. In keeping with the Department's commitment to work with tribes on a government-to-government basis, we actively solicit your input on how we can make our grant funding more accessible and improve our processes to better serve you.

The Department administers formula and competitive grants, some available only to tribal governments and some also open to non-tribal applicants. We are seeking input from tribal leaders. We are particularly interested in receiving input on the Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS), which is now entering its sixth year.

**11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**

#### **Department of Justice American Indian and Alaska Native Young Adults Listening Session**

As part of this year of action to expand opportunity for all Americans, the Administration is taking new steps focused on two of Indian Country's most pressing challenges: education and economic development. Greater engagement and collaboration with tribes has led to substantial advances in

tribal self-determination. Department of Justice is specifically interested in speaking with young adults (18-25), as they are uniquely positioned to offer insight into their own experiences and those of youth in the community. Department of Justice seeks the input of young adults in identifying the public safety and justice challenges faced by youth and young adults, as well as the corresponding solutions so that we can continue to partner together for the current and future generations.

**1:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.**

**Office on Violence Against Women Training Session: Federal Criminal Databases and Information Sharing**

This training will provide information about the various federal criminal databases, requirements for accessing and submitting information to the databases, considerations for tribal leaders as they work to implement Tribal Law and Order Act and Violence Against Women Act 2013, current DOJ efforts to increase Tribal access to federal criminal databases, and an update to the implementation of Section 905 (b) of VAWA 2005.

Click here to register: <http://www.ovwconsultation.org/>

**October 15, 2014**

**8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.**

**Office on Violence Against Women  
Government-to-Government Violence Against Women Tribal Consultation**

The Department of Justice Office on Violence Against Women (DOJ-OVW) invites tribal leaders to join the 9th Annual Government-to-Government Violence Against Women Tribal Consultation. The purpose of the consultation is to solicit recommendations on enhancing safety for American Indian and Alaska Native women, strengthening the Federal response to the crimes of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, and administering grants funds.

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**October 16, 2014**

**9:00-10:30 a.m.**

**Department of Justice Maximizing Resources for Tribal Justice Systems**

The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) at the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) is interested in setting and refining priorities for our tribal justice portfolio. To date, these priorities have been informed, first and foremost, by consultation and feedback from Tribal leaders and justice officials. They have also been shaped by Administration priorities, BJA strategic priorities, tribal feedback during project implementation, and the collaborative work engaged in during training and technical assistance. We are

conducting a listening session to provide an opportunity for dialogue on the tribal infrastructure for detention and alternatives supported by the Correctional Facilities and Alternatives to Detention Program administered by BJA. This session will include representatives from the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

**9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.**

**Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA)- Grants to Native American Tribes (including Alaska Native Villages) and Tribal Organizations for Domestic Violence Shelters**

The purpose of this technical session is to provide current and potential FVPSA funded tribes and tribal organizations with an overview of the FVPSA and to share data that speaks to the impact of domestic violence/intimate partner violence in tribal communities. We will also discuss the recent shift in funding; how the shift has impacted tribal domestic violence programs; and why the FVPSA program seeks to modify its current funding formula.

**12:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.**

**2010 Census Impact on Family Violence Prevention and Services Tribal Formula Grants – Consultation for Recommendations on Adjusting the Formula**

The Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) program is the primary federal funding source dedicated to providing immediate shelter and supportive services for victims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence and their dependents. In FY13 223 tribes were awarded amounts ranging from approximate \$14k - \$1.5 million. The Census and the Bureau of Indian Affairs' population data is used to formulate awards. The Census data are updated every ten years, and as anticipated, the updated data have created a shift in award amounts. For the smallest category of tribes, there was an approximate 37% reduction to their awards compared to fiscal year 2011. To ensure all programs are receiving enough to provide essential services, the FVPSA program seeks to consult with Tribal Leaders on issues concerning FVPSA's current funding formula and for input on how to adjust the formula to bring the smaller awards back in line with 2012 funding or about \$25k.

***Who should attend?***

Tribal Leaders, especially for the Consultation and Grants and Tribal Justice Systems Listening Sessions, Young adults between 18-25 for the Young Adults Listening Session on public safety and justice and focus groups, adult and juvenile justice officials, including tribal judges, prosecutors and defenders; other court and peace maker practitioners; corrections (jail and probation) managers and staff; reentry coordinators; grant managers; administrative staff; health and behavioral health professionals including treatment providers and prevention partners; advocates and community partners; administrators; and federal agency representatives should attend.

## **Rapid City, South Dakota Events**

October 14	Morning	Department of Justice Grants Listening Session
	Afternoon	Department of Justice American Indian and Alaska Native Young Adults Listening Session
		Office on Violence Against Women Training Session: Federal Criminal Databases and Information Sharing
October 15	All Day	Office on Violence Against Women: Government-to-Government Violence Against Women Tribal Consultation
October 16	Morning	Department of Justice Maximizing Resources for Tribal Justice Systems
		Department of Health and Human Services Technical Workshop: Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) Grants to Native American Tribes (including Alaska Native Villages) and Tribal Organizations for Domestic Violence Shelters
	Afternoon	Department of Health and Human Services: 2010 Census Impact on Family Violence Prevention and Services Tribal Formula Grants Consultation for Recommendations on Adjusting the Formula

## **Agenda at a Glance (Check back for Updates)**

### **OCTOBER 14, 2014 RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA**

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 p.m.	<b>Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation Discussion</b>
	<b>Tribal Leader Discussion and Recommendations</b>
10:45 a.m. – 12:30p.m.	<b>Young Adults Listening Session</b>
	<b>Young Adults Discussion and Recommendations</b>
12:30 p.m.	<b>Adjourn</b>

## **October 15, 2014**

### **Violence Against Women Government to Government Consultation**

- 8:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m.      **Registration**
- 9:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.      **Welcome**
- 9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.    **Government to Government Consultation  
Update from Last Consultation  
Federal Agency Update**
- 10:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.    **Tribal Leader Introductions**
- 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.    **Tribal Leader Testimony**
- 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.    **Lunch Provided**
- 1:00 p.m.-1:30 p.m.      **Update on Special Domestic Violence Criminal Jurisdiction**
- 1:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.      **Tribal Leader Testimony**
- 4:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.      **Traditional Closing and Summary Comments**

## **OCTOBER 16, 2014**

### **DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE MAXIMIZING RESOURCES FOR TRIBAL JUSTICE SYSTEMS LISTENING SESSION**

- 9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.      **Welcome and Opening Comments**
- 9:30 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.      **Overview on the DOJ Correctional and Alternative Facilities and the  
Bureau of Indian Affairs Staffing, Operation, Maintenance Expenses.  
Corrections programs**
- 10:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.      **Tribal Leader Discussion and Recommendations**
- 11:30 a.m.                      **Adjourn**
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- 9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.      **Technical Workshop: Family Violence Prevention and Services Act  
(FVPSA) Grants to Native American Tribes (including Alaska Native  
Villages) and Tribal Organizations for Domestic Violence Shelters**
- 10:30 a.m.                      **Adjourn**

12:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

2010 Census Impact on Family Violence Prevention and Services  
Tribal Formula Grants Consultation for Recommendations on  
Adjusting the Formula

Tribal Leader Statements/Federal Response

3:00 p.m.

Adjourn