

a National Tribal Symposium on Sex Offender Management and Accountability

November 27–30, 2007 Santa Ana Pueblo, NM

# **Executive Summary**

The U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs (OJP) and Community Oriented Policing Services; U.S. Department of Health and Human Services through its Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) and Office of Minority Health in the Office of the Secretary; U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs; U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development through its Office of Native American Programs; and the Small Business Administration Office of Native American Affairs partnered together to deliver a consultation, training, and technical assistance session on November 27–30, 2007 in Santa Ana Pueblo, New Mexico. The events were held at the Hyatt Tamaya; an enterprise of the Santa Ana Pueblo tribe of New Mexico.

### Purpose

The session focused on the issues brought forward as Tribal priorities during previous consultation sessions, including public health and safety for families and communities; drugs; Tribal court systems; detention facilities; multi-jurisdictional coordination and communication; sexual offender registry; and other law enforcement areas. In addition, one full-day of workshop sessions was focused on projected Fiscal Year 2008 funding solicitations.

The following bureaus, agencies and tribal organizations contributed to the event by providing presentations and participating in workshop discussions with the attendees:

#### U.S. Department of Justice

- 0 Federal Bureau of Investigation
  - Criminal Justice Information Services
- 0 Office of Justice Programs
  - Bureau of Justice Assistance
  - Bureau of Justice Statistics
  - Community Capacity Development Office
  - Office of the Assistant Attorney General
  - Office of Audit and Assessment Management
  - Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinguency Prevention
  - Office on Violence Against Women
  - SMART Office
- o U.S. Attorney's Office
- OU.S. Marshals Service

### U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

- o Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration
  - Center for Mental Health Services
  - Center for Substance Abuse Prevention
  - Center for Substance Abuse Treatment



Federal and tribal officials engage in a panel discussion on Indian Country corrections

- Indian Country Methamphetamine Initiative
- Office of the Administrator
- U.S. Public Health Service
- 0 Indian Health Service
  - Division of Behavioral Health

## U.S. Department of Homeland Security

0 Federal Law Enforcement Training Center

## U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

o Office of Native American Programs

## U.S. Department of the Interior

- 0 Bureau of Indian Affairs
  - Office of the Chief Information Officer
  - Enterprise Infrastructure Division
  - Office of Indian Services
  - Office of Justice Services
    - U.S. Indian Police Academy
  - Division of Human Services

## U.S. Small Business Administration

0 Office of Native American Affairs

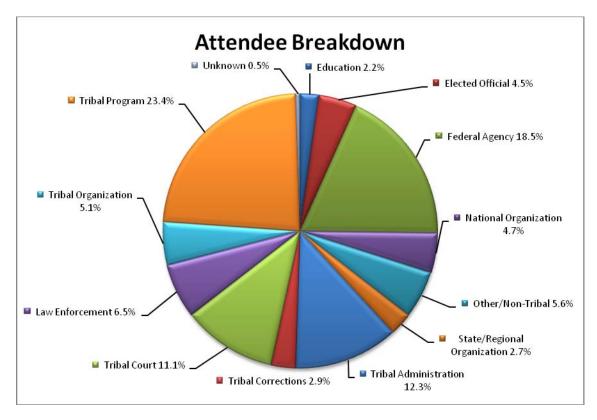
## National Congress of American Indians

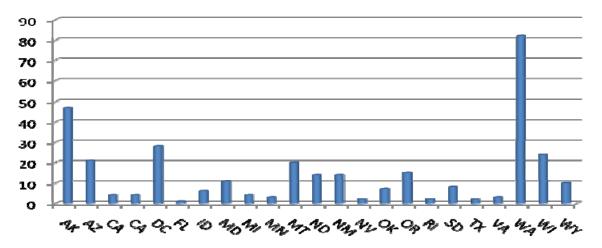


Participants were afforded the opportunity to ask guestions of panelists during plenary sessions

## Participants Overview

Attending the event were over 550 participants from 37 states and the District of Columbia. Over 93% of the attendees were tribal members and/or represented tribal agencies, with 66% representing tribal elected officials, tribal administration, tribal courts, tribal corrections, tribal law enforcement, tribal organizations, and tribal program managers/coordinators.





#### **Event Overview**

Government-to-Government Consultation Session – November 27, 2007

The fourth Tribal Justice & Safety Consultation session was held on November 27, 2007. Tribal leaders met in a general assembly to discuss local/tribal concerns with Federal officials from U.S. Departments of Justice, Health and Human Services, Housing and Urban Development, Interior, and Small Business Administration. Discussions focused primarily on Detention and Corrections Issues in Indian Country and Small Business Administration: Possible Reforms to Native Participation in Government Contracting Programs. A lunchtime discussion facilitated by Jacqueline Johnson, Executive Director of the National Congress of American Indians focused on potential topics for future consultation sessions.

John Gonzales, former Governor of San Ildefonso and Executive Director of the Eight North Indian Pueblos Council welcomed the participants and provided opening remarks. Next, Joe Garcia, President of the National Congress of American Indians and Chairman of the All Indian Pueblo Council gave an invocation and provided opening remarks, emphasizing the importance of previous consultation efforts and the work ahead to create solutions in Indian country. Eugenia Tyner-Dawson, Senior Advisor to the Assistant Attorney General for Tribal Affairs and Executive Director, Justice Programs Council on Native American Affairs, Office of Justice Programs, Office of the Assistant Attorney General, U.S. Department of Justice extended a welcome on behalf of Acting Assistant Attorney General Cybele Daley. She then summarized the history of the three previous consultation sessions. Finally, Jerry Gidner, Director of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) discussed his goals and objectives for the future of the BIA.



Jerry Gidner, Director of the BIA listens to discussion during the consultation session

Federal presenters were provided the opportunity to summarize their efforts and responses to the topics discussed during previous consultation sessions. Next, participants voiced their concerns and recommendations regarding detention and corrections issues in Indian country. Federal representatives from the U.S. Attorneys, Senate Committee on Indian Affairs, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and SAMHSA were on hand to respond to the areas of discussion.

The afternoon agenda was moderated by Jacqueline Johnson. Edward Cadina, Deputy Director of the New Mexico District Office of Small Business Administration (SBA) spoke on behalf of William Largent, Assistant Administrator for SBA's Office of Native American Affairs. He offered an overview of the Office of Native American Affairs. Ms. Johnson responded with a summary of how NCAI has worked on a technical response to SBA regarding its government contracting programs. Karen Atkinson, Director of the Native American Contractors Association provided information about her organization and her work with NCAI and tribal agencies to formulate a tribal response and to develop consensus among the national organizations that work in government contracting. Finally, Michael Peacock, Associate Director of the New Mexico Native American Business Enterprise Center discussed the services and technical assistance available for business development offered by the Center.

A separate summary details the tribal consultation session and discussions. A copy of the summary is available at http://www.tribaljusticeandsafety.gov.

### Training and Technical Assistance Workshops – November 28-29, 2007

November 28<sup>th</sup> marked the official opening of the Training and Technical Assistance session. The morning general session began with a traditional opening and color guard from the Pueblo of Acoma. Welcoming comments were provided by Governor Ron Montoya of Santa Ana Pueblo, Governor Raymond Gachupin of Jemez Pueblo, and Rodger Boyd, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Office of Native American Programs, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Moderating the opening session were Jay T. Barton representing the National American Indian Housing Council and Laura Ansera, Tribal Youth Coordinator, Office of Juvenile Justice & Delinguency Prevention, Office of Justice Programs, U.S.

Plenary sessions during the two days of training and technical assistance covered a variety of topics that impact tribal communities. The topics included:

- Effectively Navigating Grants.gov Panel Discussion
- Children and Youth Collaboration Panel
- Indian Country Corrections: Working Today for a Safer and Better Tomorrow – Panel Discussion

Additionally, a Keynote Address was given by Henry Lozano, Deputy Assistant to the President and Director of the USA Freedom Corps.



Keynote speaker Henry Lozano poses along with Wilbur Woodis of IHS

On November 28-29, participants engaged in a variety of training and technical assistance workshops, including:

#### Grant Writing/Management

Accessing Training and TA for OVW Grantees: How it Can Work for You Grants Management/Financial Management How to Apply for a an OJP Grant Solicitation Leveraging Federal and Local Resources to Implement the Adam Walsh Act Performance Measures: What, Why, How? Technical Assistance Resources for Information Sharing and Practical Approaches to Managing Information Sharing Projects Tips for Writing a Successful Drug-Free Communities Grant Winning Strategies for Seeking and Obtaining Federal Grants

### Funding Opportunities

Bringing OJJDP Resources to Indian Country Construction of Correctional Facilities on Tribal Lands Discretionary Grant Program CSAT Screening, Brief Intervention, Referral & Treatment (SBIRT) Grant Program CSAT Targeted Capacity Expansion Grant Program HUD Funding Opportunities Indian Alcohol and Substance Abuse Program (IASAP) – Funding Opportunity Office on Violence Against Women: What's in Store for 2008? Strategic Prevention Framework – Five Step Interconnected Prevention Planning Model Suicide Prevention Funding Opportunity Tribal Courts Assistance Program Funding Opportunity Tribal Courts Assistance Program Funding Opportunity Tribal Youth Program Funding Opportunity and Accessing Tribal Youth Training and Technical Assistance Weaving the Fabric of Community Using Various Federal Funding Sources Weed and Seed: Overview and FY 2009 Guidelines

#### Community and Housing Issues

AMBER Alert in Indian Country Crime Prevention through Environmental Design History and Development of the AMBER Plan in Indian Country Indoor Air Quality/Healthy Tribal Communities Project Safe Pueblos (PHSI) Prevention Strategy Implementation Project Venture: A Native American Developed Model Starting a Boys & Girls Club Program Weed and Seed: Indigenous Planning Weed and Seed: Strategies on Law Enforcement and Community Policing Weed and Seed: Strategies on Neighborhood Restoration for Tribal Communities

#### Drugs

Drug Endangered Children: A National Priority Indian Country Methamphetamine Initiative Methamphetamine Awareness Methamphetamine Enforcement Training & Technical Assistance for Tribal Communities Initiative Methamphetamine Lab Identification

### <u>Health Concerns</u>

Child Abuse and Neglect: Prevention Strategies Historical Trauma: It's Impact on Prevention and Treatment Improving Sexual Assault Investigations in Indian Country Laying the Foundation for a Coordinated Community Response to Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, and other Violent Crimes Multi-Jurisdictional Approach to Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Overview of IHS Behavioral Health Activities SAMHSA Prevention Strategies: CSAP HIV & Methamphetamine Prevention Programs Sexual Assault Panel TRAUMA: Programs, Training can Establish Healing Partnerships

### Tribal Justice and Public Safety

2008 Tribal Criminal History Record Improvement Program (T-CHRIP): Improving AFIS Electronic Fingerprinting and Information System Management BIA Corrections Forensic Interviewing of Children/Adolescent Victim/Witnesses Planning a Brighter Future for Indian Country Corrections Planning and Operating State-of-the-Art Correctional Facilities in Indian Country Pretrial Release Decision Making in Tribal Courts: Exploring the Utility of Pretrial Services Prosecuting Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Cases in Federal Court Survey of Jails in Indian Country, Part 1: Current Statistics and the 2007 Collection Survey of Jails in Indian Country, Part 2: Listening Session on Future Surveys of Jails in Indian Country Tribal Criminal History Record Improvement Program (T-CHRIP): Improving Tribal Court Databases Tribal Wellness Courts Utilizing Interoperability to Improve Public Safety in Indian Country The event concluded on Thursday, November 29 with a general assembly presentation and traditional closing. Moderating the session were Steven W. Perry, Bureau of Justice Statistics, U.S. Department of Justice and Joe A. Garcia, President of National Congress of American Indians and Chairman of the All Indian Pueblo Council. Dennis Greenhouse, Director of the Office of Community Capacity Development, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice thanked all who planned and organized the event. He also discussed funding that had been allocated to Indian country through the Department of Justice. Immediately following, Dr. Eric Broderick, Rear Admiral of the U.S. Public Health Service, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services emphasized the importance of the sessions in providing opportunities for federal officials to learn the needs of tribal communities and how to serve communities better.



Dr. Eric Broderick of SAMHSA addresses the meeting attendees

## Tribal Justice Advisory Group

In response to a recommendation that came from the July 2007 consultation in Phoenix, an advisory group was established to advise the Office of Justice Programs on tribal justice and safety issues, particularly regarding implementation of the Adam Walsh Child Protection Safety Act of 2006. The Tribal Justice Advisory Group held their inaugural meeting November 28-29 in conjunction with the training and technical assistance sessions.

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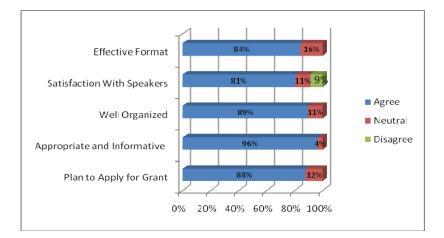
## November 30, 2007

The final day of the session was hosted by the Office of Justice Program's Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering, and Tracking (SMART) Office. A National Tribal Symposium on Sex Offender Management and Accountability brought together leaders from across the country to discuss issues relevant to Indian country. Speakers from the SMART Office, U.S. Attorney's Office, Federal Bureau of Investigations, Bureau of Justice Assistance, U.S. Marshal's Service, U.S. Department of Justice; National Congress of American Indians; National Center for Missing & Exploited Children; Tribal Law and Policy Institute; and the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts offered their expertise.

> Topics for the day-long symposium included: ~An Overview of SORNA and What the Act Means for Indian Country ~ ~National Sex Offender Registry (NSOR)~ ~Dru Sjodin National Sex Offender Public Website ~ ~U.S. Marshals Service Sex Offender Apprehension Initiatives ~ ~Implementing SORNA~ ~ Pre Release Planning and Prisoner Reentry ~

## **Event Evaluation**

Evaluation comments reflect 100% of the attendees felt the session objectives were clearly stated. A summary of evaluation comments below represent key observations from the onsite evaluations. These collective comments will be helpful in shaping the direction for the final sessions. 95% felt the length of the sessions was effective. Respondents were asked to answer with a response of Yes, Somewhat or No to the following questions:



### Participant comments:

- I want to say, "Thank You." I cannot begin to put down the many new things I learned while here.
- The meeting and sessions were informative and valuable.
- Overall the conference was extremely informative and helpful.
- I would like to add that this specific conference was the smoothest running conference that I have every attended in the past 20 years.

#### Suggested improvements and opportunities for future sessions:

- Panel discussions try to accomplish too much in a short time. 6-8 minutes is not enough time; need at least 15-20 minutes.
- More information by tribal representatives regarding government-funded programs that are working in their communities.
- Please bring more experiential components to these conferences. For example, let us meet with regional BIA folks to target our needs; offer more ceremony and cultural examples being used in Justice practices; give us some good models to work toward and make these models long-lasting.
- Repeated sessions would have been appreciated.

#### Recommended topics for future sessions:

- Grant writing and management
- Drug issues
- Gang issues
- Development of tribal courts
- Positive accomplishments and on-going efforts on securing/obtaining more funding for tribal law enforcement
- Child abuse issues
- How to build meaningful partnerships/relationships with government entities
- Youth issues (i.e. Juvenile Justice, child abuse, Tribal Youth Programs, prevention efforts)
- Mental health support for criminal justice workers

### Next Steps

Plans are underway for the first session of 2008 to be held in Washington, DC, March 5-7, 2008. Future sessions will continue to include tribal consultations, expanded participation by federal agencies, and inclusion of many additional tribes. These sessions will enhance the capacity to collectively work on solving the numerous issues of joint concern, especially methamphetamine use and data management. Tribal participants will have opportunities to share recommendations that will continue to directly impact future funding solicitations as well as access to non-tribal federal resources. For additional information on previous Government-to-Government Consultations, Trainings, and Technical Assistance sessions and details about other upcoming events, visit http://www.tribaljusticeandsafety.gov.

#### Participating Tribes and Tribal Agencies

5 Sandoval Indian Pueblos, Inc. Acoma Pueblo Alabama-Quassarte Tribal Town Alaska Native Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes Bad River Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria **Bishop** Paiute Blackfeet Bois Forte Chippewa Caddo Tribe of Oklahoma Cahto Indian Tribe Cherokee Cheyenne River Sioux Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma Chickasaw Nation Chippewa Cree Tribes Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma Citizen Potawatomi Nation Cochiti Pueblo Colorado River Indian Tribes Comanche Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribe Confederated Tribes of Chehalis Reservation Confederated Tribes of Umatilla Indian Reservation Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana Cree Creek Crow Creek Sioux Crow Nation Delaware Tribe of Indians Eastern Shoshone Tribe Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe Flaad Reservation and Lake County Fond du Lac Chippewa Tribe Forest County Potawatomi Tribe Fort Mojave Indian Tribe Gila River Indian Community Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians Gun Lake Tribe Havasupai Tribe Hidatsa Hopi Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians Hualapai Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma Isleta Pueblo Jicarilla Apache Nation Kaibab Paiute Tribe Kalispel Tribe of Indians Kaw Kenaitize Ketchikan Indian Community Keweenaw Bay Indian Community

Kickapoo Tribe in Kansas Kootenai Tribe of Idaho Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Ojibwe Laguna Pueblo Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Lower Brule Sioux Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina Lummi Nation Makah Maliseet Mandan/Hidatsa Mashkisibi Mason Valley Match-E-Be-Nash-She-Wish Band of Pottawatomi Indians Menominee Mescalero Apache Micmac Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians Muscogee Native Hawaiian Native Village of Tyonek Navajo Nation Nez Perce Nome Eskimo Community Nomelacki Northern Arapaho Tribe Northern Cheyenne Nation Northern Paiute Oglala Sioux Ohkay Owingeh Oiibwe Omaha Tribe of Nebraska Oneida Nation Osage Ottawa Pala Band of Mission Indians Pascua Yaqui Tribe Passamaguoddy Pauma – Yuima Band of Mission Indians Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma Penobscot Picuris Pueblo Pima Pojoague Pueblo Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation Pueblo de San Ildefonso Pueblo of Acoma Pueblo of Jemez Pueblo of Laguna Pueblo of Picuris Pueblo of Pojague Pueblo of Sandia Pueblo of Santa Ana Pueblo of Zia Pueblo of Zuni Pyramid Lake Quapaw

Quetucak Red Lake Band of Chippewa Redwoods Rosebud Sioux Tribe Southern Arapaho Sac and Fox Nation Salish & Kootenai Tribes Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community San Carlos Apache Tribe Santa Clara Pueblo Santa Domingo Pueblo Santee Sioux Sauk Suiattle Tribe Seldovia Seminole Nation of Oklahoma Seneca Seneca-Cayuga Tribe of Oklahoma Shoshone Pauite Shoshone-Bannock Sipayik Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe of Lake **Traverse** Reservation Smith River Rancheria Sokaogon Chippewa Community Southern Band Tuscarora Indian Tribe Southern Ute Spirit Lake Nation Spokane Tribe St. Croix Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin Standing Rock Sioux Summit Lake Paiute Tribe Sucruamish Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone Indians of Nevada Tesucrue Tribe Tewa Three Affiliated Tribes Tlingit Tohono O'odham Tonawanda Seneca Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians Tulalip Tyonek United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians Lighthorse Tribe United South and Eastern Tribes Ute Mountain Ute Tribe Wailacki/Concow Walker River Pauite Tribe Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California Western Navajo Western Shoshone White Earth Ojibwe Nation White Mountain Apache Tribe Winnebago Yakama Nation Yankton Sioux