OVW FY 2024 Grants to Indian Tribal Governments Program (Tribal Governments Program) and Tribal Governments Program – Strengthening Tribal Advocacy and Response Track (START)

Pre-Application Information Session

What is the difference between TGP and TGP-START?

Tribal Governments Program

- Eligibility is open to both current grantees (FY21 and older awards) and those who have never received a TGP award.
- This solicitation is the standard Tribal Governments Program solicitation for applicants prepared to propose and implement a project which addresses at least one of the 12 statutory purpose areas.

Tribal Governments Program – START

- Tribal Governments Program (START) applicants are those who have never received or have not recently received (last award closed before December 31, 2021), an award through the Tribal Governments Program.
- -Focused on capacity building early in the project period and will provide additional training, technical assistance, and support to award recipients looking to build capacity related to serving victims and holding offenders accountable

If you are unsure which solicitation best fits your needs and current capacity, please join our weekly office hours offered every Wednesday from 5:30pm-6:30pm ET. To register:

https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1603257263?pwd=NzZmUFpzcElUYkZVd21PVGhBNG01Zz09

Finding the Solicitations

Solicitations	https://www.justice.gov/ovw/open-solicitations
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JustGrants Info	Thursday, April 25, 2023 – 9:00 p.m. Eastern Time Application Submission Training: https://justicegrants.usdoj.gov/training/training-virtual-sessions#Application_Mechanics For technical assistance with JustGrants, contact OVW JustGrants Support at 1-866-655-4482 or OVW.JustGrantsSupport@usdoj.gov
Programmatic	Join our Solicitation Office Hours Live Every Wednesday until April 24, 2024 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm ET

To register: Registration Or email OVW.TribalGovernment@usdoj.gov

Financial Questions

Questions

OVW.GFMD@usdoj.gov or 1-888-514-8556

Program Scope and Purpose Areas

- 1. Develop and enhance effective governmental strategies to curtail crimes violent crimes against women and increase the safety of Indian women consistent with tribal law and custom.
- 2. Increase tribal capacity to respond.
- Strengthen tribal justice interventions including tribal law enforcement, prosecution, courts, probation, and correctional facilities.
- 4. Enhance services to Indian women victimized by domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, sex trafficking, and stalking.
- 5. Education and prevention strategies.

- 6. Supervised visitation and safe exchange
- 7. Transitional housing
- 8. Legal assistance
- Services for Youth victims (ages 11-24) and youth and children exposed to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking
- 10. Legislation and policies.
- Policies, protocols, and training for law enforcement regarding cases of missing or murdered Indians as described in 25 U.S.C. § 5704.
- 12. Compile and annually report data to the Attorney General related to missing or murdered Indians, as described in 25 U.S.C. § 5705.

See the solicitation on page 5 and 6 for complete statutory language of the purpose areas.



Legal **Prevention &** Assistance for Education Survivors



Exchange

Supervised Visitation &

Tribal Codes & Policy

More on Activities

- Activities that Compromise Victim Safety and Recovery and Undermine Offender Accountability – see the OVW FY 2024 Solicitation Companion Guide https://www.justice.gov/ovw/resources-applicants
- Out-of-Scope Activities
 - Research projects.
 - Child abuse, child endangerment, other family violence.
 - Substance abuse treatment.
 - Education & Prevention not specific to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, sex trafficking, or stalking.
 - Criminal representation of victims except in certain limited circumstances
- Activities Requiring Prior Approval
 - Surveys
 - Minor Renovations

About the Tribal Governments Program

Funding Type:	Grant
Estimated Total Funding:	\$51,000,000
Expected # of Awards:	60
Types of Applications:	TGP New –Never received funding through this program or award closed before April 30, 2023 TGP Non-Competitive Continuation – Current grantees or recently closed awards (after April 30, 2023) TGP – START - Never received funding through this program or award closed before December 31, 2021
Award Ceiling:	New – no award cap Continuation – no award cap
Length of Award Periods:	TGP New – 36 months – Note: At the end of the initial 36-month award period, grantees may be eligible to receive 24 months of additional funding to continue their projects. TGP Non-Competitive Continuation (FY 2021 Recipients only) – 24 months TGP-START – 36 months

Eligibility

Eligible Entity Types

- Indian tribal governments.
- Tribal Designee.
- Tribal Consortium.

Required Eligibility Documents to be eligible to receive an award

• Delivery of Legal Assistance Certification (if applicable)

Tribal Designees and Tribal Consortiums ONLY:

• Tribal Resolution or Other Document(s) Demonstrating Authority to Apply

Program Requirements – Post-award



OVW training and technical assistance



Performance reporting



TGP - START



5-year Funding Option Projects

Application Documents

Grants.Gov by April 23, 2023

- Application for Federal Assistance: SF 424
- Disclosure of Lobbying Activities: SF-LLL

JustGrants by April 25, 2023

- JustGrants 424
- General Agency Information
- Proposal Abstract
- Proposal Narrative (Standard or OVW Narrative Sample for TGP OR TGP START)
- Budget Detail Worksheet and Narrative
- Pre-Award Risk Assessment
- Summary Data Sheet
- Tribal Resolution or Document Demonstrating Authority to Apply (if applicable)
- DOJ Standard Assurances
- Summary of Other Federal Funding Tables
- DOJ Certifications
- Letter of Nonsupplanting
- Confidentiality Notice Form
- Delivery of Legal Assistance Certification Letter (if applicable)

Application Documents Required Prior to Funds Being Released

• Indirect Cost Rate Agreement

Application Components - Walkthrough

Grants.gov SF-424 and SF-LLL – Online forms

- Review the solicitation for detailed instructions.
- The amount entered in "Estimated Funding" should match the amount of federal funding requested in the budget section of the application.
- The person listed as "Authorized Representative" must be an individual that has the authority to accept grant awards on behalf of the tribe.

JustGrants 424 and General Agency Information – Pre-Populated On-line form

- Pre-populated web-based forms utilizing data entered in Grants.Gov during the first step of the application process.
- Will need to add some additional information and confirm the accuracy of the data prior to submitting

Application Preparation – General Tips

- > Attachments must be Microsoft Word (.doc), PDF files (.pdf), or Text Document (.txt) or Excel (xls)
- > Samples Templates Forms Headings Sub-headings
 - ➤ New this year: TGP and TGP-START Proposal Narrative Samples
- > Do not combine multiple application components into one file.
- > Formatting and Technical Requirements
- > Tables and Charts
- "Clean" the text before copy/pasting into JustGrants text boxes.
- ➤ Use short and descriptive file names. Examples: Narrative_xyzTribe.pdf
 - Current Awards_3.1.2023.doc

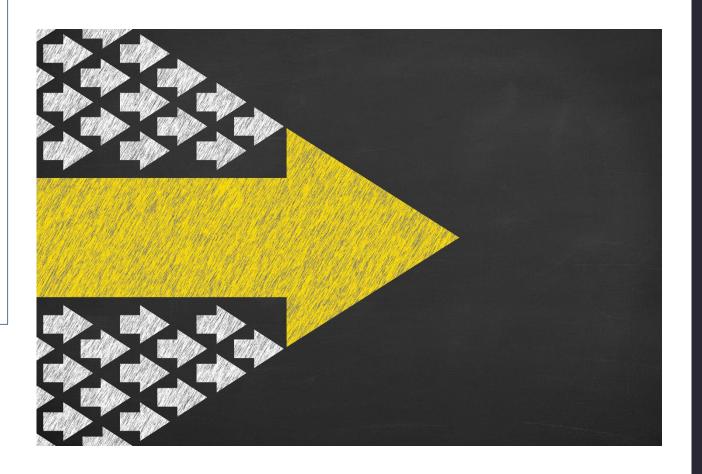
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Start the application submission early.

Application Components – Walkthrough (1)

Proposal Abstract – Text Field in JustGrants

- > Entered into a text field in JustGrants.
- Does not have to be double spaced in the text field.
- > Summary of the proposed project
- Do not summarize past accomplishments in this section.



Application Components – Walkthrough (2)

Proposal Narrative – 90 points total

- > One document
 - ➤ Either the standard proposal narrative OR the OVW proposal narrative sample for TGP or TGP-START
 - 3 sections Purpose of the Proposal; What Will Be Done; and Who Will Implement.
- > Uploaded as an attachment in the Proposal Narrative section of JustGrants.
- > 20 pages maximum. Peer Reviewers will not read past this page limit.
- Use the Headings and Sub-Headings provided.
- > Address each of the questions in the section it appears.
- > Tables/Charts are acceptable
- > Use local data and anecdotal evidence whenever possible.

Application Components – Walkthrough (3)

TGP: Purpose of the Proposal – 15 Points

- > State if this application is for a new, 36month project, or for a non-competitive continuation, 24-month project.
- Describe the communities in the service area, including but not limited to traditionally underserved populations, such as communities of color, people with disabilities, people who are Deaf or hard of hearing, persons with limited English proficiency, older adults, and LGBTQ+ communities.
- ➤ Identify the Purpose Areas the applicant is proposing to address
- Provide an explanation for the selected purpose area(s).

Tribal Governments START: Purpose of the Proposal – 60 points

- Describe the communities in the service area, including but not limited to traditionally underserved populations, such as communities of color, people with disabilities, people who are Deaf or hard of hearing, persons with limited English proficiency, older adults, and LGBTQ+ communities.
- Describe the services currently offered, if any, for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, sex trafficking, or stalking in the proposed service area. This includes all services provided by Tribal governments, nonprofits, etc.
- Identify the statutory purpose areas the applicant is proposing to address.
- Provide an explanation for the selected purpose area(s).

Application Components – Walkthrough (4)

What Will Be Done: TGP- 60 Points

- > State the project goals and related activities. Include the project timeline and list the staff or partner(s) responsible for each activity.
 - > Table/Chart format is acceptable.
 - Include mandatory program requirements and do not include out-of-scope or unallowable.
- Describe how the proposed project will address the unique needs of the traditionally underserved populations identified in the Purpose of the Proposal section, above, as it relates to the selected Purpose Area.

What Will Be Done: TGP-START-15 Points

- ➤ Briefly describe (1-3 sentences) any services, or projects, that the applicant would like to implement to support victim safety and/or offender accountability.
- > State whether the proposed services or project will establish new programming and/or expand existing programming in the areas of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, sex trafficking, or stalking.

Application Components – Walkthrough (5)

Who Will Implement: TGP- 15 Points

➤ Identify the key people and organizations, including project partners involved in the proposed project. Provide their position title, percentage of time allocated to the project, responsibilities, and qualifications.

Who Will Implement: TGP-START-15 Points

➤ Identify the agency, office, or department of the tribal government or designee that will manage the program, if known at this time. If staff have been identified, please provide their name, position/title, percentage of time/effort, summary of responsibilities, and qualifications.

Application Components – Walkthrough (6)

Budget worksheet and Budget narrative – 10 points – All Applicants Submitted as an attachment in JustGrants

From the Programmatic Perspective:

- No Minimum or Maximum
- 36 months of project activity for New or TGP-START applicants and 24 months for continuation applicants
- OVW T/TA Travel set-aside
- New and TGP-START Applicants
 - \$30,000 for applicants in lower 48
 - \$35,000 for applicants in Alaska
- Continuation Applicants
 - \$20,000 for applicants in lower 48
 - \$25, 000 for applicants in Alaska

Budget items should be:

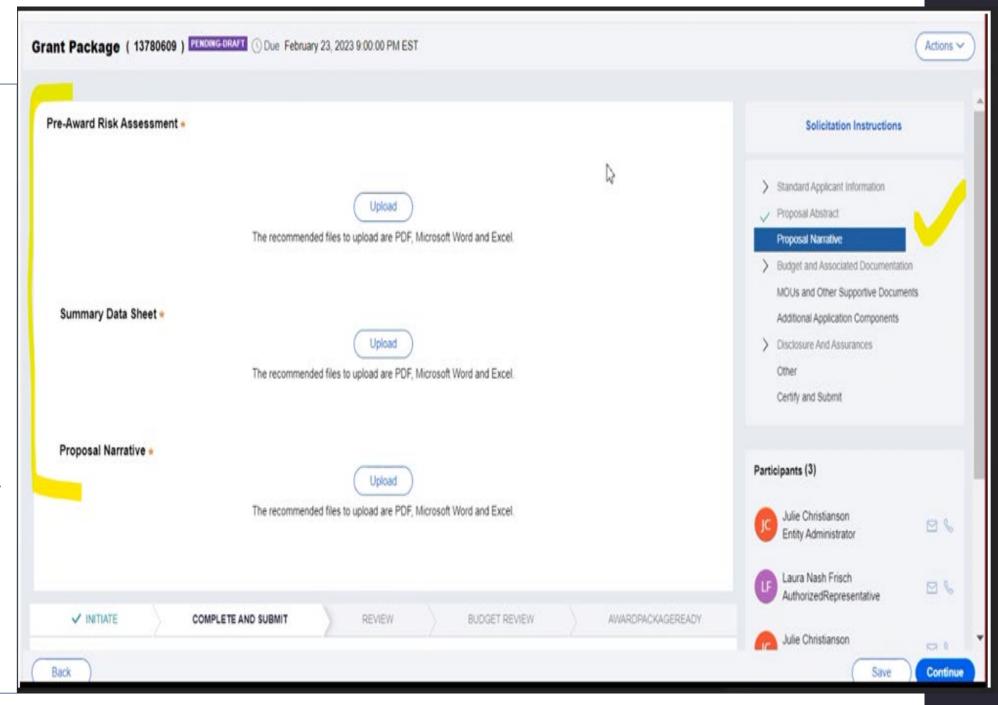
- Clearly linked to one or more of the Project Goals/Objectives/Activities.
- Reasonable based on the resources needed to implement the project.
- Not include any unallowable costs.
- Include funds or describe other resources available to ensure accessibility for individuals with disabilities, Deaf/hard of hearing individuals, and persons with limited English proficiency.

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> Pre-Award Risk Assessment

Most Common issues:

- ➤ Brief list of policies and procedures not provided
- ➤ Budgeted vs.
 Actual process
 not provided
- ➤ Record Retention policy not provided
- ➤ Knowledge of rules and regulations
- ➤ Summary Data Sheet



Resources

Creating a Budget: Training for OVW Applicants

https://www.justice.gov/ovw/resources-applicants

Youtube Video - https://www.justice.gov/ovw/video/creating-budget

Uniform Guidance - 2 CFR Part 200

https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-2/subtitle-A/chapter-II/part-200?toc=1

DOJ Financial Guide

https://www.justice.gov/ovw/resources-applicants

Program Specific Solicitation

https://www.justice.gov/ovw/open-solicitations

OVW Applicant Resources

https://www.justice.gov/ovw/resources-applicants



GFMD HelpDesk Contact Information





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Application Components – Walkthrough (7)

Tribal Resolution or Other Document Demonstrating Authority to Apply Tribal Designees or Tribal Consortiums ONLY

- > Page 23 of solicitation.
- > Valid Tribal Resolution OR letter on tribal letterhead, signed by the chief executive officer of the governing body of the tribe (e.g., the tribal chairperson, president, governor, principal chief, or other equivalent official).
- ➤ IMPORTANT: Applications from tribal designees or tribal consortiums without a current, valid tribal resolution or other document demonstrating authority to apply will not be considered for funding.

Application Components – Walkthrough (8)

Additional application components

- Letter of Non-Supplanting Upload as an attachment. A sample letter is available on the <u>OVW</u> website
- ➤ **Confidentiality Notice Form** Form available on the <u>OVW website</u> Download form, sign, then upload to the application.
- > **Applicant Disclosure of Duplication in Cost Items** Two tables. Use the sample format found at https://www.justice.gov/ovw/resources-applicants Upload as an attachment.
 - Table 1 All current and recent OVW awards.
 - Table 2 All other federal grants to do similar work.
- > **Disclosure of Lobbying Activities** Pre-populated in the on-line application. Read and Acknowledge.
- > **DOJ Standard Assurances** Pre-populated in the on-line application. Read and Acknowledge.

How to Apply

- Please read this section of the solicitation carefully –
- SAM Grants.gov JustGrants Registrations
- Experiencing Technical Difficulties
 - Follow instructions for applicants experiencing technical issues carefully and maintain documentation.
 - Contact the <u>OVW.JustGrantsSupport@usdoj.gov</u> or 866-655-4482 as soon as possible if you are having trouble.
 - When communicating with the help desk, include your Grants.gov/Agency Tracking # (ex. GRANT12345678).
- Failure to begin the registration or application process in a timely manner as described in the solicitation is not an exception for which OVW can approve late submission.

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