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OVC News...

REMINDER: The OVC [Tribal Set-Aside Solicitation](#) is Live!! The Department of Justice (DOJ) and the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) have long recognized the critical need to fully and more effectively support American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) victims of crime. In recent years, DOJ has conducted numerous tribal consultations and listening sessions to learn more about the needs and resources associated with supporting AI/AN crime victims. As a result of these sessions, OVC used available funding to improve programs, develop resources and publications, and support training and technical assistance efforts.³ This year, for the first time, the appropriations act provides for funds from the CVF to be used to support a broadly applicable tribal set-aside program for Indian tribes to improve services to crime victims. OVC anticipates making up to \$110 million available through this solicitation to support tribes to improve victim services. OVC expects that award amounts may vary, depending on the project(s) proposed, but typically will not exceed \$720,000 per applicant. **Application deadline is August 6, 2018!**

The Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) Tribal Set-Aside Webinar Recording is now online! OVC conducted an optional, pre-application Phase 1 Webinar on June 28, 2018. During the webinar, OVC staff reviewed the solicitation requirements and conducted a question and answer session with interested potential applicants. A recording of this webinar is [now available](#).

[OVC TTAC Job Aids](#). Visit the Office for Victims of Crime Training and Technical Assistance Center (OVC TTAC) Job Aids page for guidance and resources designed to help you create effective training programs for your organization. Resources include checklists for OVC-funded training, design templates, and best practices for in-person and online trainings.

A [recording](#) of the June Expert Q&A on "Technology, Social Media, and Victim Safety" is now available. Social media and technology can be powerful tools to connect with and assist crime victims, but they can also be tools used against victims and survivors. Learn ways to manage social media and technology successfully when working with victims and strategies victims can use to help increase their online safety and privacy.

Now Open: 2019 National Crime Victims' Service Awards [Nomination Period](#). Recognize someone making a difference in the lives of victims. The nomination period for the 2019 National Crime Victims' Service Awards is now open. With these awards, OVC recognizes extraordinary individuals, teams, programs, and organizations that demonstrate outstanding achievements in supporting victims and victim services. The recipients are honored at the National Crime Victims' Service Awards Ceremony in Washington, D.C. Nominations due by August 1, 2018.



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[Register](#) for Office for Victims of Crime Training and Technical Assistance Center's (OVC TTAC) Online Expert Q&A: "Addressing Vicarious Trauma for the Individual." On August 22, 2018, at 2 p.m. e.t., the Office for Victims of Crime Training and Technical Assistance Center will present an online Expert Q&A discussion with Barbara Rubel on "Addressing Vicarious Trauma for the Individual." Vicarious trauma (VT) is related to secondary traumatic stress. The victim experiences primary traumatic stress, yet as a victim service provider who uses controlled empathy, you can become secondarily traumatized. By attempting to remain objective, your inner sense of who you are, and your beliefs about feeling safe and trusting others, can change. From not being able to sleep to feeling overwhelmed and not keeping boundaries, VT symptoms can hurt you. It's important to know what contributes to VT, such as professional isolation after hearing trauma-related narratives and being empathetic. Note: This session will be recorded and posted on the Past Sessions tab when available. For more information, visit the Expert Q&A page.

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

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Resources...

New End Violence Against Women International - EVAWI [Webinar Recording](#) Available in Archive. EVAWI recently hosted a webinar titled "False Reports of Sexual Assault: Moving Beyond the Issues." The recording is now available free of charge in the webinar archive. One of the most important challenges for law enforcement training in sexual assault investigation is the idea that many - or even most - reports are false. These cases often have several "red flags" that raise suspicion in the minds of officers, investigators, and others, but actually represent the realistic dynamics of sexual assault. The presenter reviewed differences between a false report versus a baseless report, and inconsistent statements versus lying. He also discussed how law enforcement can unintentionally create a "false report," by creating an environment where victims recant or withdraw. This was contrasted with real case examples of false reports he has investigated throughout his career.



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[Bullet-Resistant Vest Series – Fit, Care, Wear, Prepare](#). On average, a law enforcement officer is killed every 63 hours. A bullet-resistant vest has saved the lives of more than 3,200 officers over the last 30 years. Take your safety into your own hands! Watch this roll call series designed to reinforce the importance of wearing a properly fitted bullet-resistant vest and properly maintaining that vest according to National Institute Justice (NIJ) standards.

New [publication](#) from the Healing Justice Alliance: "Keys to Collaboration between Hospital-based Violence Intervention and Cure Violence program."

Guide for Emergency Department Providers on Caring for Suicide Attempt Survivors. The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) has released a [brochure](#) for emergency department providers on enhancing treatment for patients who have attempted suicide. It includes information on patient assessment, HIPAA regulations, and tips for communicating with family and other treatment providers.

Learn More about Cortexflo's Forensic Camera System. The National Children's Alliance (NCA) is very pleased to welcome [Cortexflo](#) as a National Corporate Partner. Cortexflo is a leading global developer of an innovative forensic camera system built to meet the specific needs of CAC's to photograph and video the medical examination. Cortexflo has many years of working on solutions to handle digital evidential data which means that CACs can now implement a secure process to facilitate peer review and the long-term archival of case work. This affordable forensic camera system has been designed to be as non-intimidating as possible to children and to minimize any further trauma by reducing the duration of the examination.

Have a financial question about your grant or cooperative agreement? Access the 2017 Department of Justice (DOJ) Financial Guide. The [DOJ Grants Financial Guide](#) (the "Guide") serves as the primary reference manual to assist OJP, OVW, and COPS Office award recipients in fulfilling their fiduciary responsibility to safeguard grant funds and ensure funds are used for the purposes for which they were awarded. It compiles a variety of laws, rules and regulations that affect the financial and administrative management of your award. There may be instances where the requirements may differ among the three grant-making components; to the extent possible, those differences are spelled out throughout this Guide. However, recipients (and subrecipients) should refer to their award terms and conditions to determine the specific requirements that apply to their award. We have provided references to the underlying laws and regulations as much as possible.



Registration, Scholarship Applications, & Hotel Block Now Available for the 16th National Indian Nations Conference...

The 16th National Indian Nations Conference: Justice for Victims of Crime will be held again on the reservation of the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, California. The Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians has occupied the area for over a thousand years. The Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians is one of ten Tribes in the greater Coachella Valley area. There are thirty-three Tribes in the region. The [conference](#) will be held once again at the Renaissance Hotel.

[Online registration](#) is now Live! Attendees, Vendors, and Exhibitors May Now Register Online through December 4th for the 16th National Indian Nations Conference. Registration Fee - \$200; Early Bird Rate: \$150. Early Bird registration and payment must be received/posted by September 15, 2018.

A limited number of [scholarships](#) to attend the 16th National Indian Nations Conference are available to service providers and victims in Indian Country who would be unable to attend the Indian Nations Conference without financial assistance. The scholarship application deadline is Monday, September 7, 2018. Recipients will be notified by October 15, 2018.

Priority will be given to:

- Victims of Crime
- Victim Advocates
- Tribal Multi-Disciplinary Teams
- Service Providers
- Tribal Leader/Official
- Tribal Law Enforcement
- Tribal Court Personnel
- Tribal Youth
- Tribal Elders

Criteria for Receiving a Scholarship.
A scholarship review committee will review and score your application based on the successful and effective completion of the below criteria:

- Scholarship application is complete with all required information.
 - Scholarship application was received by the deadline of September 7, 2018.
 - Priority work categories are clearly communicated.
 - Applicant indicates if they are willing to car pool, share a room, or only needs a partial scholarship, etc.
 - Statement of Need should be 500 words and addresses all of the required areas below. Points will be deducted for incomplete, inadequate or minimal responses to these required questions.
 - Why you need this scholarship: your experience working with, or interest in working with victims of crime in Indian country.
- How you will utilize the information from the conference in your own community and/or career.

Please note that scholarships to attend the 16th National Indian Nations Conference are not guaranteed and are subject to the availability of funding. A scholarship review committee will review and score your application based on the criteria listed above. Scholarships will be awarded to the top scoring applications.

[Book](#) your Hotel today! Choose between the Renaissance Hotel (almost sold out Dec. 4th, Dec. 5th and Dec. 6th) or the Courtyard Marriott! Spaces are filling up quickly! Use **Discount Code: Indian Nations**

Training & Events...

[Save the Date](#) for the "Leave No Victim Behind 2018 Conference." September 5-7, 2018 at the University of Oregon in Eugene. Chief Matthew Carmichael of the University of Oregon Police Department, the California Victim Compensation Board and the Oregon Department of Justice are once again presenting a conference on mass violence response and effective partnerships between law enforcement and victim services to assist victims of crime. The conference will take place in the great Pacific Northwest from September 5-7, 2018 at the University of Oregon in Eugene. This year, the conference will be held in a larger venue and will include better deals on accommodations. The conference will also include an in-depth look at issues surrounding the Sikh Temple shooting in Wisconsin and the train stabbing in Portland, Oregon last year. In addition, the conference agenda will devote time to learning about effective community partnerships that provide unique services to victims of crime. Registration information will be sent shortly.

Scholarship Deadline: September 7, 2018
A limited number of scholarships to attend the 16th National Indian Nations Conference are available to tribal representatives, service providers and victims of crime in Indian Country who would be unable to attend the Indian Nations Conference without financial assistance.

Submit Scholarship Application

If you are unable to complete the online scholarship application, please download the scholarship application and return it to the Tribal Law and Policy Institute by mail or fax.

*Formal Justice Department Conference Approval Pending



[AMBER Alert Training for Tribal Communities](#) on Aug 8 - 9, 2018 in Onamia, MN. Registration deadline is July 19, 2018. Develop strategies for response and investigation of endangered, missing, and abducted children in tribal communities. Learn about state resources and best practices for utilizing state AMBER Alert program resources. You will examine the unique issues of jurisdiction, location, culture, and community dynamics in tribal communities. Topics will include investigative strategies, internet crimes, case studies, search and canvass tactics, legal issues, and collaboration between state, local, tribal and federal programs.

[Register](#) now for National Indian Child Welfare Association (NICWA)'s September Training Institute. The September Training Institute is quickly approaching, with just over a month before the start date. Two courses will be offered September 18-20: choose between "Understanding ICWA" and "Positive Indian Parenting." Space remains for each of these courses, both holding significant value to individuals working in Indian child welfare. Find more information on NICWA's website including hotel reservations, paper and online registration, and course sample agendas and objectives.

Participate in a NO-FEE WEBINAR offered by the National Criminal Justice Training Center (NCJTC). "Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) / iKeepSafe Incident Response Tool for Schools." Thursday, August 23, 2018 | 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm ET. [Join](#) NCJTC to learn about the new ICAC/iKeepSafe Incident Response Tool (IRT) for schools. You can help prevent and address technology related incidents by building a cooperative relationship with schools. This free resource helps schools with the steps of incident management, such as fact-finding, documentation, reporting and engaging the appropriate school officials and other stakeholders. Through collaboration with law enforcement and the use of this tool, schools can plan and prepare an effective and appropriate response to all types of technology related incidents, including cyberbullying, sexting, hacking, and threats of violence.

Save the Date! Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) Grantee Regional Training Workshops...

OVC CTAS Grantees, be on the lookout for your program's SAVE THE DATE (sent via email) to upcoming OVC Grantee Regional Training Workshops. Locations and dates are included below: *(previously held: Midwest-May 2018 and Northwest-June 2018)*

Alaska Regional Training (approved by DOJ):

August 7-9, 2018. Anchorage, AK.

Only for Alaska grantees

As a reminder, the Southwest Regional Training has been postponed. Your program will be notified when a future date has been selected for this workshop. This training is only for grantees located in CA, NV, AZ, NM, CO, KS, OK, and MS.

These regional training are **MANDATORY** for all OVC Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS), Comprehensive Tribal Victim Assistance (CTVA) and Children Justice Act (CJA). Note: Attendance is not mandatory for Vision 21 grantees but is strongly recommended. For any questions or concerns, please contact Devin Rieckmann-Sell (NCJTC) at rieckmann@fvtc.edu or Jesucita Hernández (Unified Solutions) at jesucita@unified-solutions.org. We look forward to seeing each of you in your respective workshop locations!



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