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OVC News...

Are you a new or existing Office of Justice Programs (OJP) award recipient? Sign up for the OJP Online Grants Financial Management and Grant Administration Training! Successful completion of this financial management training will satisfy the training requirement for the points of contact and financial points of contact of an award. [DOJ Grants Financial Management Online Training](#); this training is designed for individuals responsible for the financial administration of discretionary and/or formula grants awarded from federal grant-in-aid programs administered by various bureaus and offices at the Department of Justice, including: the Office of Justice Programs, the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, and the Office on Violence Against Women. In its 24 modules, this training emphasizes the basics of federal grants management. The topics discussed are similar to the ones covered in the two-day Financial Management seminars hosted by the DOJ Office of the Chief Financial Officer each year. DOJ is offering this online version of the seminars to give you, a current grantee, the ability to complete federal grants management training from your desktop in place of traveling to the onsite trainings. The only prerequisite for taking this online training is that you must be a direct award recipient with a current grant and/or cooperative agreement as awarded by one of the DOJ grant-making agencies listed.



Announcing the 2019 National Crime Victims' Rights Week [Theme](#)! Every year, the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) leads the nation in the observance of National Crime Victims' Rights Week (NCVRW). OVC is pleased to announce the 2019 NCVRW theme: "Honoring Our Past. Creating Hope for the Future." NCVRW, which will be held April 7–13, 2019, brings communities together and educates the public about these rights, protections, and services.

2019 National Crime Victims' Rights Week Community Awareness Projects [Funding Opportunity](#). The National Association of VOCA Assistance Administrators (NAVAA), in cooperation with the Office for Victims of Crime, is seeking proposals for innovative and collaborative approaches to promoting community-wide public awareness of the rights and available services for victims of all types of crimes during National Crime Victims' Rights Week (NCVRW), April 7 – 13, 2019. Approximately 80 communities will be awarded up to \$6,000 each in reimbursement for approved NCVRW public awareness activities through the NCVRW Community Awareness Project. Public agencies, nonprofit organizations, community-based victim service organizations, faith-based organizations, tribal organizations, and community coalitions committed to advocating for the rights and services of crime victims are among those encouraged to apply. Generally, the types of activities supported with NCVRW CAP funds fall into one or more of the following categories: a public event at which individual members of the general public physically attend in-person (e.g., candlelight vigils, information or resource fairs, 5k walk/runs, memorial services); mass media advertising (e.g., newspaper, radio, or television ads, billboards, mass transit or movie theatre ads, including social media); the production, publication and distribution of printed materials (e.g., brochures, posters, victims' rights cards, resource directories); and/or the production and distribution of promotional giveaway items (e.g. bracelets, buttons, t-shirts,



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grocery/tote bags) that contain a message related to NCVRW.

[Register](#) for the OVC-Sponsored Rural and Tribal Elder Justice Summit. On World Elder Abuse Awareness Day 2018, the U.S. Departments of Justice and Agriculture announced a joint Statement of Action to promote elder justice in rural and tribal communities. Although more than 20 percent of older adults live in rural America, rural and tribal communities face unique challenges in their efforts to combat elder abuse, neglect, and financial exploitation. To advance this priority, the Department of Justice is hosting a Rural and Tribal Elder Justice Summit on November 14–15, 2018, in Des Moines, Iowa. This OVC-sponsored Summit will bring together a diverse group of experts and elder justice professionals to: identify the challenges rural and tribal communities face in responding to elder abuse; identify promising practices, resources, and tools available to rural and tribal communities; and explore what more can be done to break down silos and foster greater collaboration at the tribal, local, state, and federal levels. Please register for the Rural and Tribal Elder Justice Summit and join us to help advance elder justice in rural and tribal communities.

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

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Resources...

End Violence Against Women International - EVAWI Webinar Recording [Now Available](#): "Case File Review for SARTs." Course Description: Through the process of looking at case files, SARTs are able to look at the system as a whole, to learn more about the current response to sexual violence. While case file review can present challenges, it is a powerful tool to identify and implement strategies for sexual assault cases to be more successfully investigated and documented, and to evaluate current policies and practices of SART agencies.

From the Department of Homeland Security: "[Active Shooter Preparedness](#)." Active shooter incidents are often unpredictable and evolve quickly. In the midst of the chaos, anyone can play an integral role in mitigating the impacts of an active shooter incident. DHS aims to enhance preparedness through a "whole community" approach by providing products, tools, and resources to help you prepare for and respond to an active shooter incident. Categories include: First Responder, Human Resources or Security Professional, Private Citizen, and Active Shooter Workshop Participant.



National Children's Alliance (NCA) is proud to present the [Healing, Justice, & Trust National Report](#) on outcomes for children served by CACs, drawing from full-year 2017 Outcome Measurement System (OMS) data. This rich data includes feedback submitted by 744 Children's Advocacy Centers and tens of thousands of caregivers of the children served and the partners who helped.

NEW from the ABA Section of Family Law: [The Indian Child Welfare Act Handbook](#). Now fully revised and updated, The Indian Child Welfare Act Handbook is a one-of-a-kind guide to the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978. The ICWA was enacted to ameliorate the problem of the massive removal of Native American children from their homes by both state welfare agencies and private agencies and to ensure that those children, once removed, would be placed in homes that reflect their cultures and traditions. This guide examines case law from courts around the country — it is an issue not confined to reservations and their border towns.

Help the National Center for Victims of Crime Reach American Indian and Alaska Native Survivors! NCVV is currently collecting information about victim service providers to include in the Tribal Resource Tool. The team is working to identify any and all organizations that provide resources or support to American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) crime victims living on and off tribal lands, in Alaska Native villages, and in urban areas. If your organization provides services to help AI/AN survivors recover from crime and abuse, please submit your information to be listed in the Tribal Resource Tool by visiting www.tribalresourcetool.org. This web-based resource map and searchable database will: Connect AI/AN survivors of crime and abuse to resources; provide a listing of services available for AI/AN survivors of crime and abuse; and help identify and address gaps in services.

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development [Funding Opportunity](#): "Community Development Block Grant Program for Indian Tribes and Alaska Native Villages." The purpose of the ICDBG program is the development of viable Indian and Alaska Native communities, including the creation of decent housing, suitable living environments, and economic opportunities primarily for persons with low and moderate incomes as defined in 24 CFR 1003.4. Current Closing Date for Applications: January 07, 2019.



Training & Events...

Need Training in Indian Child Welfare? Join the National Indian Child Welfare Association (NICWA) this December! NICWA anxiously anticipates the December Training Institute and hopes you will join them for training in either a Positive Indian Parenting (PIP) or Understanding ICWA training. Both courses will equip individuals, tribes, and organizations working in the field of Indian child welfare to better serve Native youth and families. PIP prepares tribal and non-tribal child welfare personnel to train American Indian and Alaska Native parents using a culturally specific approach. The materials presented during this training draw on the strengths of historic Indian child-rearing practices and blend traditional values with contemporary skills. Understanding ICWA provides participants with information about the basic legal requirements of the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978 (ICWA) and the practice issues involved with ICWA's implementation. [Join](#) communities from across North America in this fantastic professional development opportunity.

EVAWI Virtual 5K Law Enforcement Challenge! [Calling](#) all law enforcement agencies! Lace up your sneakers, grab your sworn and civilian colleagues, and run, walk, or roll for a good cause!

TRIBAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL REENTRY WORKSHOP - January and February 2019. For individuals returning from incarceration, successful reentry depends on intergovernmental collaboration that is responsive to both community and returnees' needs, so that chances for recidivism are minimized and public health and safety are maximized. That's especially true in Indian country, where the complex nature of jurisdiction makes coordination among Tribal, Federal, state and local justice systems particularly challenging. The OJP Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) and the Executive Office for the United States Attorneys' National Indian Country Training Initiative, in partnership with the American Probation and Parole Association, will host two Tribal Intergovernmental Reentry Workshops. These two interactive workshops will provide participants with the tools they need to develop effective reentry plans based on the sharing of operational, organizational, and culture-based concepts and processes that result in the identification of critical services and interventions needed to reduce recidivism and victimization. The Workshop will be offered twice and delivered in the following locations: Columbia, South Carolina, January 16-19, 2019 and Phoenix, Arizona, February 19-21, 2019. Please submit an application for the Tribal Intergovernmental Reentry Workshop by clicking on the following link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TIRW>. Applications are due by 8:00 PM EST on November 9, 2018.

The Center for Victim Research has [opened](#) its three-minute video competition for graduate student researchers to highlight research collaborations between graduate students and practitioners and/or organizations within the field of victim services. The CVR is in search of graduate students who are conducting research on crime victims, victimization, and/or service providers that assist crime victims, and who can share their research project by participating in the Center for Victim Research Graduate Student Researcher Video Competition! The winning video of the competition will receive a \$100 award; a letter of congratulations from CVR; and a feature in CVR Monthly, CVR's e-newsletter that reaches practitioners, subject matter experts, and researchers across the country. Visit the video competition page on the CVR website for more information about video content requirements and logistics.

[Sign up](#) the Victims Support Services 1st Annual Expand the Response Conference! January 15 to 17, 2019 | Little Creek Resort and Casino, in Shelton Washington. This conference is held to connect criminal justice, law enforcement, advocacy, social service and mental health professionals who respond to crime victims. Join us in learning how to more effectively assist crime victims across disciplines. Network with others in your field from across the country. Registration fee is \$299. **

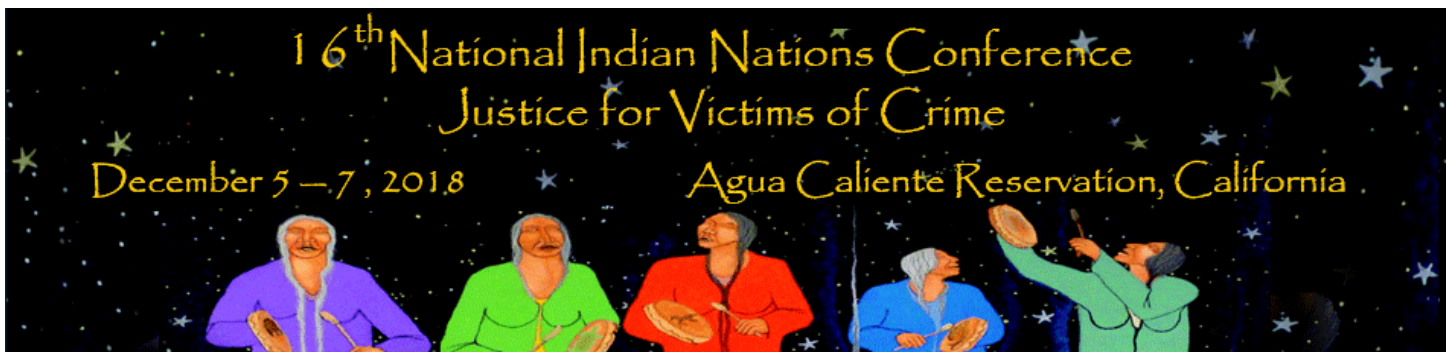
Nominations now being [accepted](#) for the Annual Missing and Unidentified Persons Conference Service Award until January 31, 2019. The Missing and Unidentified Persons Conference Service Award recognizes the extraordinary efforts and outstanding achievement of an individual (including federal, state, and local law enforcement, search and rescue, emergency/disaster services, criminal justice, victim assistance, or other allied professionals) from the public or private sector whose exemplary efforts have advanced the field and contributed to the identification and return of missing persons. Submit your nomination by Thursday, January 31, 2019. | 2019 Missing and Unidentified Persons Conference | Sept 16 - 18, 2019 | Las Vegas, NV.

Proposals are now being accepted for the National Sexual Assault Conference! The conference will be held August 21-23, 2019 in Philadelphia, PA. This year's conference theme is Beyond the Breakthrough. Proposals are due on December 19, 2018, the request for proposals can be found [here](#).



16th National Indian Nations Conference...

[Register](#) for the OVC-sponsored National Indian Nations Conference. With support from OVC, the Tribal Law and Policy Institute will host the 16th National Indian Nations Conference: Justice for Victims of Crime December 5–7, 2018, on the reservation of the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, California. This event brings together a wide range of providers, stakeholders, and victims to share their knowledge and develop programs to serve the unique needs of victims in Indian Country. The theme of this year's conference is "Braiding Strength, Hope, and Healing for the Path Forward." Learn more about the National Indian Nations Conference and register.



16th National Indian Nations Conference: Justice for Victims of Crime "Braiding Strength, Hope, and Healing for the Path Forward"

Wednesday, December 5th – Friday, December 7th, 2018
Agua Caliente Reservation | Coachella Valley, California
(Pre-Conference Institute will be held on Tuesday December 4th)

The purpose of the 16th National Indian Nations Conference—the largest U.S. Department of Justice sponsored Indian Nations conference, is to bring together Native American victims, victim advocates, tribal leaders, victim service providers, community volunteers, prosecutors, judicial and law enforcement personnel, family violence and sexual assault specialists, medical providers, social services and mental health personnel, probation/corrections, criminal justice and juvenile justice personnel, as well as federal and state agency representatives to share their knowledge, experiences and ideas for developing programs that serve the unique needs of crime victims in Indian Country.

REMINDER: 16th National Indian Nations Conference ~ Hotel Deadlines Are Coming Up!

The conference will be held at:
Renaissance Hotel
888 East Tahquitz Canyon Way
Palm Springs, CA 92262 (Map)

Note: The Renaissance Hotel no longer has rooms for Tuesday December 4th, Wednesday December 5th and Thursday December 6th. If you will only be attending the 2018 CTAS New Grantee orientation (checking in Sunday, December 2, 2018 and checking out Tuesday, December 4, 2018), rooms are available for those dates.

Please visit <http://www.ovcinc.org/hotel> for booking and reservation deadline information

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*Please note that the 16th National Indian Nations Conference has now been formally approved by the U.S. Department of Justice



Unified Solutions is excited to welcome two new staff members, Rachel Lane and Tucelia Palmer...



Rachel Lane is the new Data Collection Specialist for Unified Solutions. Lane comes to us with a wealth of experience having been involved with a variety of organizations throughout her community including the local historical society, YMCA, and Ducks Unlimited. She has served the local school system for seven years as a field hockey referee and head coach and continues to serve as treasurer of her church. She has experience with multiple software programs, financial processes and values her many years managing customer correspondence and relationships. She has a background in sociology, psychology and women's studies and is a wife and mother to three beautiful little boys.

Tucelia Palmer is the new Technical Assistance Specialist for Unified Solutions. Tucelia proudly represents the Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation in Washington state, where she is an enrolled member. Palmer is also proud to represent her mother's tribe, the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs in Oregon. Tucelia grew up along the Columbia River in Lyle, WA carrying on her traditional teaching from her Wishxum and Wasco lineage. After high school Tucelia moved to Lawrence, Kansas where she graduated with a bachelor's degree

from Haskell Indian Nation University. After graduating from Haskell and working for years at the university, she moved back home to Washington state to work as an OVC CTAS Program Specialist training crime victim advocates at the Yakama Nation Behavioral Health Services (YNHBS). During this program's three-year grant cycle, Palmer was able to help create the Yakama Nation's first victims only program named the Yakama Nation Victim Resource Program (VRP). She also created the REDgalia movement that still continues to bring awareness, education, and healing for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women (MMIW) of the Yakama Nation as well as around the world.



During her time as a CTAS grantee, Palmer was nominated by Unified Solutions to be a participant in a "first of its kind" Office for Victims of Crime (OVC)- sponsored Tribal Faculty Development Workshop (TFDW) held in June 2017. During the TFDW, Palmer developed and sharpened her presentation skills, became a more effective presenter, organized material to convey learning objectives, and learned how to structure presentations to optimize learning for primarily American Indian and Alaska Native participants. The goal of this workshop was to provide participants with the potential opportunity to become an OVC faculty for future OVC sponsored trainings and events. Upon the completion of the TFDW, Palmer received a certificate of completion from OVC.

Tucelia enjoys continuing her education, staying active in tribal activities and politics, practicing traditional teachings, and being active in the Yakama Nation area coalitions. She is excited to help other OVC grant funded tribal programs live up to their full potential by being a part of the training and technical assistance team at Unified Solutions.

Do you know the History of the Unified Solutions Logo? ...

The image tells a story and sends a message:

The fate of our world depends upon our ability to come together and create together – all people, young and old, of all colors, from all directions. When we commit our hands together in action, creating a new way with unified solutions, the power of this Light shines from within the Phoenix. The Phoenix burns to ashes and is re-born. The Phoenix takes on all that is finished, all that no longer serves us – like greed and fear and competition – and burns it away. All that is left is the Light that guides us, and the Earth is reborn.

The Unified Solutions logo was formed as a result of a collaborative process with community members in Tucson, Arizona. We were blessed by those who support the vision of USTCDGI and offered their talent to express this vision in visual art.

Special thanks to Victor Robles, Yaqui artist, and Desiree Trowbridge, Latina artist, who helped breathe life into this work.

The image depicts a Phoenix, the Earth, and four sets of Hands coming from each direction to create something new. A Light radiates out from the center of the Hands, to show the sacred power of the work that comes from this kind of collaboration.



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