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OVC News...

Please provide your feedback on the 2019 NCVRW Resource Guide by [completing this survey](#) to help shape next year's National Crime Victims' Rights Week Resource Guide. Your feedback on this year's guide will help OVC provide the most practical set of tools to help you serve victims in your communities. Although National Crime Victims' Rights Week has ended, the [2019 NCVRW Resource Guide](#) is available year-round. We invite you to continue to use the easily customizable materials.

[Webinar recordings](#) now available: "Helping Victims of Mass Violence & Terrorism: The First 24 to 48 Hours" and "Helping Victims of Mass Violence & Terrorism: 48 Hours and Beyond"

The U.S. Department of Justice Office for Victims of Crime is seeking a Principal Deputy Director, and applications are due by June 13, 2019. For information about this great employment opportunity and how to apply, [click here](#).

[FY 2019 Project Beacon](#): Increasing Services for Urban American Indian and Alaska Native Victims of Sex Trafficking. OVC will make awards to increase the quantity and quality of services currently available to American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) victims of sex trafficking who reside in urban areas.

Register for OVC TTAC's Online Expert Q&A: "Identifying Signs of Elder Abuse or Neglect." June 12, 2019 | 2:00:00 PM EDT. In October 2017, the Elder Abuse Prevention and Prosecution Act was signed into law. The law requires the U.S. Department of Justice to take a number of steps to both enhance its own efforts and to support the efforts of state and local prosecutors, law enforcement, and other elder justice professionals in preventing and combatting elder abuse and financial exploitation. This [session](#) will explore the different forms of elder abuse, the role that dementia and other cognitive issues play, promising preventive measures, and some of the challenges of prosecuting such cases. Note: This session will be recorded and posted on the Expert Q&A Past Sessions tab when available.

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. 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



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training from your desktop in place of traveling to the onsite trainings. Note: 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.

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

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New OVC Funding Opportunity: FY 19 Tribal Victim Services Set-Aside Program...

Posted: May 29, 2019

Through the FY 2019 Tribal Victim Services Set-Aside Program [solicitation](#), OVC seeks to provide support to tribal communities to improve services for victims of crime. This program will support a comprehensive range of activities including needs assessment, strategic planning, program development and implementation, and other activities needed to address the needs of a wide variety of crime victims in tribal communities. Deadline: July 29, 2019

Apply under one of the following purpose areas:

--Purpose Area 1: Establishment of a New Victim Service Program. Applicants that have no existing victim services program, including applicants that do not have programs and are going to coordinate with others to provide services to them.

--Purpose Area 2: Coordination and Expansion of Existing Victim Service Program. The goal under this purpose area is for existing victim service programs to expand and enhance their services so that they can become more victim-centered, culturally competent, and provide more services, better services, serve more victims, and provide services to crime victims for whom there were no services available previously.

OVC will conduct two [pre-application webinars](#) to review the solicitation requirements and conduct a question and answer session. The first webinar will be held on Thursday, June 20, 2019, from 1–2 p.m. eastern time, and a follow-up webinar will be held on Thursday, June 27, 2019, from 1–2 p.m. eastern time. Register now.

Resources...

End Violence Against Women International - EVAWI Resources for [Best Practices](#). For over 10 years, EVAWI has produced training materials and other resources, as well as collecting materials from across the country and around the world – to help professionals improve the criminal justice and community response to violence against women.



[New Kids Podcast](#) that tells native stories native voices. Molly of Denali is not just another podcast for kids. The Alaska-set action-adventure series is part Encyclopedia Brown, part American Girl, and all rooted in Native storytelling.

From National Indigenous Women's Resource Center-- "[Special Collection: Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women & Girls](#)." This Special Collection is developed to highlight the issues, concerns, recommendations and resources for addressing Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls (MMIWG) within tribal communities. The Special Collection organizes information, resources, tips and

curricula drawn from the wealth of information gathered from partner organizations, experts from the field, and other allies from the web. More specifically, this toolkit will house resources on cultural issues, national sources, statistics, topical issues and approaches, existing programs, and available material and resources to create awareness and promote important discussions about MMIWG. This collection will expand as resources and new information become available.

[Title IV-E Guide](#) for Tribal Governments and Leaders: Considerations and Lessons Learned. There's a lot to think about when exploring whether or not accessing Title IV-E funds is right for a tribe. Tribal Governments and Leaders play a unique role in this exploration and may benefit from learning from others who have taken this journey before. This guide intends to share considerations and lessons learned from tribes experienced with Title IV-E.

Indian Child Welfare Act; [Designated Tribal Agents for Service of Notice](#). This notice includes a *current* list of designated tribal agents for service of notice.

New [report](#) from RALIANCE: "Measuring #MeToo: A National Study on Sexual Harassment and Assault."



The [Tribal Information Exchange](#) You've Been Asking For! The Capacity Building Center for Tribes is excited to announce that its updated, dynamic website is live! It's packed with resources and information relevant to tribal child welfare professionals and can be easily accessed from any electronic device.

Oregon [joins](#) effort to solve crimes against Native women. SALEM, Ore. (AP) — Native American women have gone missing or been killed at alarming rates, federal and private studies show, and there is growing concern that confusion by law enforcement over who has jurisdiction can lead to lax pursuit of cases and insufficient data. Oregon, home to nine federally recognized tribes or confederations of tribes, has now joined a movement to account for and solve more of the crimes.

Training & Events...

The United States Department of Justice Announces Third Annual Attorney General's Award for Distinguished Service in Policing. On May 20, 2019, Attorney General William P. Barr announced the third annual Attorney General's Award for Distinguished Service in Policing. The Attorney General's Award, to be administered by the COPS Office, recognizes individual state, local or tribal sworn, rank-and-file police officers, deputies and troopers for exceptional efforts in community policing. The awarded officer(s), deputy(ies) or troopers will have demonstrated active engagement with the community in one of three areas: criminal investigations, field operations, or innovations in policing. [Nomination forms](#) are due June 19, 2019.

National Criminal Justice Training Center (NCJTC) Training Opportunity: [AMBER Alert Training](#) for BIA Tribal Law Enforcement. Gain critical skills for conducting effective missing and abducted child investigations. This course of instruction is designed to provide the tribal first responder, investigator, and supervisor with the tools they need to effectively respond and investigate complex missing and abducted children cases. Locations: Poplar, MT | Watersmeet, MI | Fort Hall, ID | Fort McDowell, AZ.

National Children's Alliance's (NCA) new "One in Ten" [podcast](#) debuts. In NCA's new podcast, One in Ten, NCA Executive Director Teresa Huizar engages in one-on-one conversations with experts on science, law, medicine, morality, and messaging. Listen in to learn about the latest in best practices and developing trends. Episodes include: Episode 101, "Child Abuse as a Public Health Issue" | Episode 102, "Faith, Trauma, and the Problem of Evil" | Episode 103, "The Bystander Effect—Why People Don't Report Child Abuse" | Episode 104, "A Matter of Priorities: Institutional Sexual Abuse" | Episode 105, "Framing to Build Public Action"

Register for Suicide Prevention Trainings for Crime Victim Advocates. The Education Development Center is offering a series of suicide prevention train-the-trainer courses designed specifically for crime victim advocates who are not clinical mental health professionals. With funding support from OVC, the Center developed the HOPE curriculum (Notice **H**ints, Ask **O**penly About Suicide, Validate **P**ain, and **E**xplore Reasons to Live). This prevention training curriculum is designed specifically for crime victim advocates. HOPE prepares advocates who work with adult crime victims to properly identify, intervene, and refer individuals who are exhibiting symptoms of suicidality to appropriate care and follow-up treatment. Event participants will learn how to deliver the HOPE curriculum. [Register today](#) for one of the following 2-day trainings:

- June 18–19, 2019, in Charlotte, North Carolina
- July 30–31, 2019, in Denver, Colorado
- August 1–2, 2019, in Denver, Colorado (this training is specifically for victim advocates who serve victims in Indian country)

[Upcoming Regional Trainings for Victim Advocates](#). The National Resource Center for Reaching Victims, with funding support from OVC, will be holding a series of regional trainings to support victim advocates in reaching survivors from underserved communities. The Expanding Our Response: Identifying, Engaging, and Serving Crime Survivors from Underserved Communities trainings is for victim advocates who work with victims and survivors from many different races, ages, genders, and other backgrounds. Attendees will explore topics that include who is being served by their program, barriers to service and how to remove them, resiliency among survivors, and steps to take to strengthen partnerships.

The five planned trainings are as follows:

- Decatur, Georgia: June 26 and 27
- Minneapolis, Minnesota: July 24 and 25
- Vancouver, Washington: August 21 and 22
- Austin, Texas: September 10 and 11
- Arlington, Virginia: September 17 and 18

Space is limited for each training and registration is required to attend. Registration will close on May 24 for the training in Decatur. Registration will close on June 24 for the other four trainings. Register for one of the upcoming five regional training sessions.



CTAS Spotlight: Southwest Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) Grantee Regional Training Workshops...

On May 14, 2019, the Isleta Resort and Casino in Albuquerque, NM welcomed 81 participants through its open doors to kick-off the *Southwest Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) Grantee Regional Training Workshop*. This workshop was the final regional training event scheduled in our regional training series that began in May 2018. The participant roster included a diverse array of individuals to include: OVC staff; tribal grantees from across sixteen different OVC CTAS programs; multiple tribal representatives from the host tribe (Pueblo of Isleta); and the following training and technical assistance providers, Unified Solutions and the National Criminal Justice Training Center (NCJTC) of Fox Valley Technical College.

Highlights from the opening ceremony included a traditional invocation by the Second Lieutenant Governor, Richard Jaramillo, and the Posting of Colors by the Pueblo of Isleta Veterans Association. The Opening Remarks were jointly expressed by Master of Ceremonies, Elton Naswood, Unified Solutions' Executive Director, Stanley L. Pryor; and NCJTC's Program Manager, Justine Souto.

After a traditional opening and an emotional keynote presentation from the Survivor/Victims of the Cedarville Rancheria Tribal Court Mass Shooting, training participants were able to explore and choose from multiple breakout session topics that were offered on a morning/afternoon rotation. Breakout session topics for the first day included- Child Advocacy Services: Child Abuse and Neglect; Multijurisdictional Systems Advocacy and Victim Rights for Advocates; Elder Abuse and Mistreatment: Financial Exploitation, Fraud, and Identity Theft; and Homicide in Indian country. These breakout sessions were followed by a plenary session, Preparing for Mass Violence in Indian Country, led by Gayle Thom, retired FBI Victim Specialist.

On Day Two of the *Southwest OVC Grantee Regional Training Workshop*, participants interacted in a group session, Trauma-Informed Organizations, led by Farren Keyser, Technical Assistance Specialist at Unified Solutions. Following the group session, participants were able to choose from a new round of breakout session topics that were again offered on a morning/afternoon rotation. Breakout session topics included- Collaboration between Advocates and Law Enforcement; Mending the Rainbow: Working with the Native LGBT/Two-Spirit Community; Human Trafficking and Exploitation in Tribal Communities; and the Multi-Disciplinary Team (MDT): Finding Solutions Together. Following the second day's breakout sessions, a group workshop on Sustainability Planning was held to offer grantee programs various resources, approaches, and ideas for program sustainability. The main goal of this session was to educate participants on how to sustain victim assistance programs after federal funding has ended.

On the third and final day of the training workshop, participants had the opportunity to learn about the challenges and successes encountered by the host tribe's CTVA victim services program and its efforts to form collaborative relationships with internal and external partners, particularly with the Pueblo of Isleta Police Department. The goal of this discussion was to invite all training participants to share what collaboration efforts have worked/ have not worked for their programs with the hope that examples of successes could be taken home and implemented in fellow victim service programs. The titled workshop, *Collaborating for Change*, was presented in the form of a panelist discussion. Panelists members included Sergeant Robbin Burge, Pueblo of Isleta Police Department; Eulalia Lucero, Program Administrator, Pueblo of Isleta Victim Services; and Nadine Waconda, Victim Advocate, Pueblo of Isleta Victim



Welcome ceremony to kick off the first day of the Southwest OVC Grantee Regional Training Workshop- May 14, 2019



L to R: Second Lieutenant Governor, Richard Jaramillo, and Unified Solutions Executive Director, Stanley Pryor



Example slide during
•Why we believe it works



Day 3: Pueblo of Isleta Panelists discussing best practices for creating and sustaining collaborative partnerships

Services. The panelist discussion was followed by a workshop highlighting ways to cope with Compassion Fatigue. Upon conclusion of the two- and half-day regional training workshop, participants were led in a traditional closing ceremony by tribal Elder, Ignacio Lujan, and the Retiring of Colors was performed by the Los Lunas High Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC).

Unified Solutions and NCJTC offer our sincerest gratitude to each and every one of you who made this training possible, and for those of you who were able to attend! A very special thank you is extended to the host tribe, the Pueblo of Isleta, for offering to share your unique culture and values with each person in attendance. We also kindly offer our appreciation to the Isleta Casino and Resort staff, who graciously worked with us for months on event planning and logistics to ensure that each guest had the best possible experience during this regional training workshop. And a final thank you is extended to the Southwest Canine Corps of Volunteers, Inc. for providing therapy dogs and handlers throughout the entirety of workshop.



Southwest Canine Corps of Volunteers, Inc.



NCJTC and Unified Solutions staff sending everyone a heart-felt "thank you" for your attendance and participation in our final regional training series!

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