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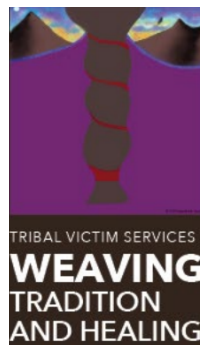
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CURRENT NEWS

OVC TRIBAL DIVISION GRANTEE ORIENTATION RECORDINGS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

OVC hosted a Tribal Division Grantee Orientation for Tribal Victim Services Set-Aside (TVSSA) and Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS), Purpose Areas 6 and 7, grantees April 28-29 and May 5-6, 2021. The Orientation's theme was "Tribal Victim Services: Weaving Tradition and Healing," which honored the important work that Tribal victim service providers do every day to promote healing for victims and survivors of crime. Access the presentation materials and recordings below for helpful information on meeting the financial, administrative, and programmatic requirements of your OVC grant awards.



Presentation materials can be found under each presentations' dropdown option [here](#). Recordings for the event are below. Day 1 and 2 featured concurrent sessions that are represented by the links for Studio A and B.

- Day 1 (April 28): [Studio A](#) & [Studio B](#)
- Day 2 (April 29): [Studio A](#) & [Studio B](#)
- Day 3 (May 5): [Studio A](#)
- Day 4 (May 6): [Studio A](#)

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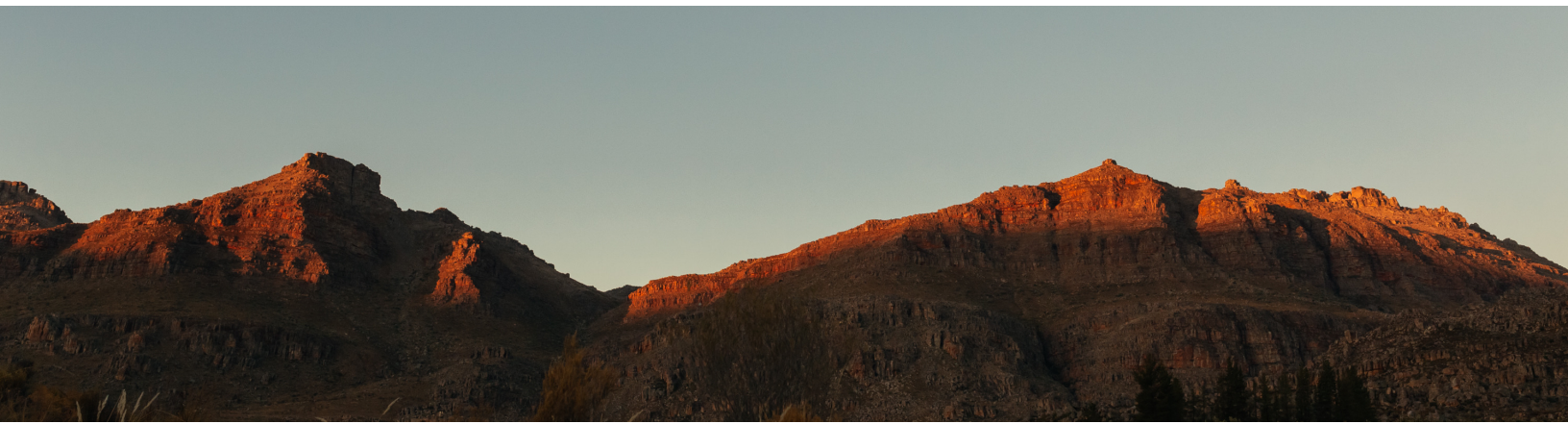
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IMPORTANT DEADLINE: PERFORMANCE REPORTING

OVC Tribal grantees are required to submit their Quarterly, Semiannual, and Federal Financial Reports (FFRs) by **Friday, July 30, 2021**. Additional information about performance measures is available on the Office of Justice Programs' Grant Performance Measurement and Progress Reporting Information webpage [here](#).



Contact information for performance reporting assistance resources can be found below:

- Quarterly Report:

OVC PMT Helpdesk

Monday - Friday 8:30am to 5pm ET

ovcpmt@usdoj.gov or 1-844-884-2503

- Semiannual Report/FFR Submission:

JustGrants Support

Monday - Friday 5am to 9pm ET

Saturday, Sunday, & federal holidays 9am to 5pm ET

JustGrants.Support@usdoj.gov or 1-833-872-5175

- Completing the FFR:

OCFO Customer Service Center

Monday - Friday 8:30am to 6pm ET

ask.ocfo@usdoj.gov or 1-800-458-0786

OVC TFMC

Monday - Friday 12pm to 7pm ET

tfmc@ovctfmc.org or 703-462-6900

SUPPORTING CHILDREN NAVIGATING THE JUSTICE SYSTEM

The Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) released the *Child Victims and Witnesses Support Materials* website resource which aims to support children during their involvement with the justice system. Developed with the input of national experts, these materials teach children how the justice system works, what their rights are, the roles of the different practitioners they'll meet, and how they can cope with the difficult feelings they might have. There are also tips for children who have to testify to help them prepare for court. Access the website resource [here](#).



RESOURCES



MOVING AHEAD CURRICULUM – ONLINE

From The Allstate Foundation, the online *Moving Ahead Curriculum* is designed for domestic violence survivors. The curriculum provides the guidance victims need to make important financial decisions and work toward gaining long-term financial security. Topics covered include financial abuse, financial fundamentals and foundations, credit basics, and long-term planning. Access the curriculum [here](#).



SUPPORTING CRIME VICTIMS WITH DISABILITIES ONLINE TRAINING TOOLKIT

The Vera Institute of Justice, and partnering agencies and advisors, designed this Toolkit to provide comprehensive and culturally responsive informational and educational resources, tools, videos, and examples of best practices for law enforcement, forensic interviewers, victim advocates, and others to prepare them to effectively respond to victims of crime with disabilities across the lifespan. Leveraging the guidance and expertise of representatives from these fields, the Toolkit embodies ideals of intersectionality, accessibility, and usability among others. You can review the content from beginning to end or select specific topics of interest. Access the Toolkit [here](#).

PROSECUTORS' GUIDE FOR REDUCING VIOLENCE AND BUILDING SAFER COMMUNITIES

The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) released the *Prosecutors' Guide for Reducing Violence and Building Safer Communities*, which provides a systematic way for each prosecutor's office to assess its strengths and weaknesses regarding essential elements for the response to and the reduction of violent crime within their jurisdiction. These elements include community engagement, collaboration, technology, and many more. The Guide also suggests ways to enhance capabilities and provides examples of policies and practices that may be developed or improved.

Access the guide [here](#).



JULY 30 IS WORLD DAY AGAINST TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS

Human trafficking, also known as trafficking in persons, is a crime that involves the exploitation of a person for compelled sex or labor.

There is no single profile of a trafficking victim. Victims of human trafficking can be anyone regardless of race, color, national origin, disability, religion, age, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, socioeconomic status, education level, or citizenship status.



SPECIAL FEATURE RESOURCES

COMBATING HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN NATIVE COMMUNITIES: NATIVE YOUTH TOOLKIT

The Office on Trafficking in Persons, and partnering agencies, created the *Native Youth Toolkit*, which aims to raise awareness and prevent trafficking of Native youth by educating them on what human trafficking is, available resources, safety tips, and ways to get involved in their communities. This resource considers the unique cultural aspects of this issue for Native youth, tying in the fact that trafficking is outside of Native traditions, and encourages youth to speak with Tribal Elders in their community. Native resources, such as the National Indigenous Women's Resource Center and Strong Hearts Native Helpline, are also listed as resources for youth to learn more. Explore the Toolkit [here](#).



HUMAN TRAFFICKING CAPACITY BUILDING CENTER

The Human Trafficking Capacity Building Center exists to help organizations and Tribes start, sustain, or grow their anti-trafficking work. OVC grantees have access to the Center's free services, which provide immediate and sustainable benefits to organizations and Tribal Nations with minimal demands on their time. They work with federally recognized Tribes to develop approaches that align with cultural values while honoring and respecting American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) practices. The Center provides services that place minimal demands on staff to provide immediate and sustainable benefits for Tribes. Learn more [here](#).

WORKING ON THE FRONT LINES TO END HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Through stories from first responders describing their practical work in assisting victims, the United Nations honors World Day Against Trafficking in Persons by spotlighting first responders' contribution and their institution, organization, team, or community's impact on fighting trafficking. The key messages focus on recognizing the importance of the work of first responders and raising awareness that these actions need to be sustained and replicated. The stories will also highlight how first responders remained committed during the pandemic. Explore the website [here](#).



TRAINING AND EVENTS



HOW TO CREATE RESILIENT MINDS FOR OURSELVES AND THOSE WE SERVE

Hosted by NCJTC, this two-part training reviews how to create resiliency, the foundations of authentic and inspirational self-improvement to advance your journey in self-care, and ways to serve others and create meaningful connections. Additionally, the session will show participants how to use the art of the question to help others embrace self-improvement and how to better connect by using questions that create curiosity and a sense of self-inspiration. The first part of the training occurred on Thursday, June 24, 2021 and information from the session is available [here](#).

Find more information or register [here](#). Date: Tuesday, July 13, 2021 from 3pm to 5pm ET

ASK THE EXPERT: CO-OCCURRING DISORDERS SIMPLIFIED

Join this session hosted by NCJTC for a facilitated discussion and open forum with subject matter experts who will answer practical questions regarding serving individuals presenting with co-occurring disorder diagnoses. Prior webinars helped lay the foundation to understanding the impact of addiction on the brain and co-occurring disorders. NCJTC recommends that registrants review these previous webinars if they were unable to attend them live. Links to the previous webinars are available here: [Intro to Neurobiology of Addiction](#), [Neurobiology of Addiction - Beyond the Basics](#), and [Co-Occurring Disorders Simplified](#).

Find more information or register [here](#). Date: Thursday, July 15, 2021 from 2pm to 3:30pm ET



MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM (MDT) RESPONSE TO CHILD SEX TRAFFICKING (CST) ONLINE

Hosted by NCJTC, this team-based four-day training will guide existing MDTs in improving their response to child sex trafficking and assist those who seek to establish a formal MDT in their communities to respond more effectively to CST cases. Subject matter experts will work with teams to identify gaps and develop short and long-term response plans. To attend this training, you must be part of an MDT and your team members must attend with you.

Find more information or register [here](#). Dates: Monday-Thursday, July 19-22, 2021 from 11pm to 2pm and 3pm to 6pm ET

VIRTUAL MEETINGS HOSTED BY YOUR TTA PROVIDERS



NCJTC'S MONTHLY OVC GRANTEE FORUM – VIRTUAL MEETING: MINORITY MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS

Join us in the nationwide effort to shed light on the multitude of mental health experiences within Tribal communities and others that face disproportionate inequities due to systematic barriers and historical adversity.

Find more information or register [here](#). Date: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 from 12pm to 1pm ET

UNIFIED'S JULY COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE VIRTUAL GATHERING: SERVING VICTIMS WITH DISABILITIES

While research shows that people with disabilities are more than twice as likely to be victims than those without disabilities, crimes such as assault, domestic violence, and sexual abuse often go unreported. As a result, many victim services providers report that they rarely serve the disabled population. Join subject matter experts and fellow grantee programs to learn more about effectively supporting victims with disabilities in your community.

Find more information or register [here](#). Date: Tuesday, July 27, 2021 from 2pm to 3:30pm ET

TRAINING AND EVENTS CONTINUED



SAFETY PLANNING FOR HEALTH AND WELLNESS ACTIVITIES: PANEL DISCUSSION

Hosted by NCJTC, this panel discussion will detail the health and wellness activities essential to self-care, fitness, and general wellbeing. Panelists will share the life-changing events that occurred during their pursuit of health and wellness activities. Learn through their stories the importance of engaging and creating safety plans to minimize the risk of victimization.

Find more information or register [here](#). Dates: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 from 3pm to 4:30pm ET

PREPARATION FOR THE TRIBAL CONSULTATION ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT (VAWA) 2013, SECTION 903

Join the Preparation for the VAWA Tribal Consultation webinar hosted by the National Indigenous Women's Resource Center to review outstanding or emerging issues to address the most serious roadblocks to the safety of Native women. Voice your concerns and provide recommendations to increase accountability and enhance the safety of Native women.

Find more information or register [here](#). Date: Wednesday, July 21, 2021 from 11am to 6pm ET

VIRTUAL TECHNOLOGY SUMMIT 2021: PRESENTED BY THE NATIONAL NETWORK TO END DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Safety Net's *Virtual Technology Summit 2021: Presented by the National Network to End Domestic Violence* brings together critical information to increase the knowledge and skills of those working with survivors. The training aims to enhance victim service work to respond to technology abuse, support survivors in technology use, and harness technology to improve services. Content will focus on an array of relevant and emerging issues at the intersection of technology, privacy, confidentiality, and innovation related to safety and abuse.

Find more information or register [here](#). Dates: Monday-Thursday, July 19-22, 2021



WISÁWCA PROJECT, ENOUGH IS ENOUGH: SAFETY PLANNING

The Wisáwca Project is an initiative that helps people create their own personal safety plan to ensure they do everything in their power to make it home. This webinar features Kola Shippentower-Thompson, the Project's creator, who will discuss the purpose behind the Project's creation and introduce the important aspects of creating a plan for yourself and others. Additionally, Ms. Shippentower-Thompson will share how advocates can help implement safety plans.

Find more information or register [here](#). Date: Monday, July 26, 2021 from 3pm to 4:30pm ET

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES



BJA FY 2021 PREVENTING SCHOOL VIOLENCE: BJA'S STOP SCHOOL VIOLENCE PROGRAM

The STOP School Violence Grant Program is designed to improve K-12 school security by providing students and teachers with the tools they need to recognize, quickly respond to, and help prevent acts of violence and ensure a positive school climate.

Application materials are available [here](#) Grants.gov Deadline: Monday, August 2, 2021 at 11:59pm ET **JustGrants Deadline:** Monday, August 16, 2021 at 11:59pm ET



TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

OVC PROVIDES SEVERAL TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE (TTA) RESOURCES AT **NO COST TO GRANTEES**

Programmatic TTA providers offer training, resources, and information to build grantees' capacity to develop and implement grant-funded victim service projects. Services include help with strategic planning, community needs assessments, policies and procedures, eLearning and in-person training, and much more. Contact your assigned Programmatic TTA provider for more information.

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Financial TTA builds grantees' capacity to administer federal grant funds by assisting with preparing budget modifications, creating financial policies and procedures, and answering general financial questions. Contact the OVC Tribal Financial Management Center (TFMC) for more information.

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