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CURRENT NEWS

JUSTICE AND INTERIOR DEPARTMENTS TAKE NEXT STEPS IN IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NOT INVISIBLE ACT

The Departments of Justice and the Interior announced the next steps in the implementation of the Not Invisible Act, including the publication of a solicitation for nominations of non-federal members to join a Joint Commission on reducing violent crime against American Indians and Alaska Natives to address the long-standing missing and murdered indigenous persons crisis. The agencies are also moving forward with nation-to-nation conduct consultations with Tribal leaders related to the Commission and implementation of the Act. **Learn more [here](#).**



THE BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE (BJA) TRIBAL CONSULTATION VIRTUAL SESSION

BJA invites Tribal Leadership and Tribal designees to consult on strengthening public safety and law enforcement to address violent crime in Tribal communities and Native villages. The goal of the BJA Annual Tribal Consultation is to identify criminal justice policy issues and Tribal priorities to support Tribal justice strategies to achieve safer communities. **Register [here](#). Date:** Wednesday, September 15, 2021 from 1pm to 3pm ET



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CURRENT NEWS CONTINUED

SUBMIT WRITTEN TESTIMONY FOR THE 16TH ANNUAL OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN (OVW) GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT TRIBAL CONSULTATION

On August 17-20, 2021, OVW hosted a virtual Tribal Consultation to discuss administering Tribal Jurisdiction Program funds, strengthening the federal response to enhance the safety of Indian women from domestic and dating violence, sexual assault, homicide, stalking, and sex trafficking, and improving access to crime information databases. Tribal Leaders and Authorized Designees from federally recognized Tribes are encouraged to submit written testimony about the Tribal Consultation's topic. **Submit written testimony to tribalconsultationsupport@chickasaw.com Deadline: October 20, 2021**

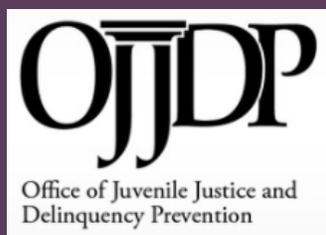
TRIBAL CRIME DATA COLLECTION ACTIVITIES (2021)

The Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) released Tribal Crime Data Collection Activities (2021). This report is the 11th in a series that began in 2011 to meet the reporting requirements of the Tribal Law and Order Act of 2010 (TLOA). It describes activities by the BJS to collect and improve data on crime and justice in Indian country. It summarizes funding to enhance Tribal participation in national records and information systems and highlights data collection activities covering Tribal populations. **Access the report [here](#).**



INTERACTIVE REPORTS ON SEXUAL ASSAULTS RECORDED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT

BJS released Sexual Assaults Recorded by Law Enforcement (2015) and Sexual Assaults Recorded by Law Enforcement (2019). These online, interactive reports present statistics on sexual assault victimizations that were reported by law enforcement agencies to the FBI's National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS). State-specific data is presented for the 15 states in 2015 and 21 states in 2019 in which law enforcement agencies met the criteria for reporting their crime data to NIBRS. **Learn more [here](#).**



THE OFFICE OF JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION (OJJDP) RELEASED THE TRIBAL CONSULTATION RESPONSE REPORT

This Report summarizes and responds to issues discussed at OJJDP's June 2020 Tribal consultation with 288 Tribal leaders and representatives. The consultation sought feedback on how OJJDP can assist Tribes in implementing provisions of the Juvenile Justice Reform Act and increase tribes' access to juvenile justice funding. **Access the Report [here](#).**

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF JUSTICE (NIJ) EXAMINES TREATMENT OF YOUTH INVOLVED IN CHILD WELFARE AND JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEMS

The Office of Justice Programs' NIJ published an article that discusses challenges faced by child welfare and juvenile justice systems when serving youth engaged with both systems. Dual system youth are juveniles who have been both victims of maltreatment and have committed delinquent acts. The article details the findings of the recent Dual System Youth Design Study and lists areas for reform put forward by the study's authors. **Learn more [here](#).**



RESOURCES



WELLNESS PROVIDER VETTING GUIDE

Law enforcement is a unique occupation whose members have unique needs. It can be difficult to find mental health and wellness practitioners who clearly understand the nature of the law enforcement profession. As stressors facing law enforcement increase, identifying culturally competent wellness professionals to meet the needs of sworn and nonsworn employees and their families has become a national priority. The National Fraternal Order of Police Wellness Provider Vetting Guide provides recommended guidelines for identifying and selecting wellness providers for law enforcement professionals and their families. With step-by-step checklists, the guide lists topics for consideration when choosing a provider, program, or wellness product. This publication also offers law enforcement agencies and leaders with a path to providing the best services for their personnel. **Access the Guide [here](#).**



OFFICER HEALTH AND WELLNESS AGENCY ASSESSMENT TOOL AND ACTION PLANNING ROADMAP

Compared to the general public, police are at a higher risk for negative physical and mental health outcomes, including early death, injuries and illnesses, obesity, heart attacks, and sleep disorders. The International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), and VALOR, published this report to provide steps for law enforcement agencies to ensure law enforcement personnel receive the necessary wellness supports from the time they join the agency through retirement. Access the report [here](#).

ROADMAP TO VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN RESEARCH: THE NIJ COMPENDIUM

This Compendium is a roadmap to hundreds of federally supported research projects on the subject of violence against women. The Compendium also stands as a testament to the depth and breadth of the NIJ's decades-long commitment to protecting women in America from violence of all forms. Since the enactment of the federal Violence Against Women Act (the Act) in 1994, a steady stream of research funding through NIJ and its agency collaborators has substantially advanced the Act's goals of understanding violence against women, strengthening the criminal justice response, and delivering services for violence victims and survivors. **Learn more [here](#).**



ORANGE SHIRT DAY IS SEPTEMBER 30

The annual Orange Shirt Day opens the door to global conversation on all aspects of Residential Schools. It is an opportunity to create meaningful discussion about the effects of Residential Schools and the legacy they have left behind.

Orange Shirt Day is a legacy of the St. Joseph Mission Residential School (1891-1981) Commemoration Project and Reunion events that took place in Williams Lake, BC, Canada, in May 2013.

<https://www.orangeshirtday.org/>



SPECIAL FEATURE RESOURCES

Orange Shirt Day



STAND IN SOLIDARITY WITH SURVIVORS & ALL THOSE IMPACTED BY RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS

ORANGE SHIRT DAY WEBSITE

This website, published by The Orange Shirt Society, provides the history of Orange Shirt Day, Orange Shirt Day news, resources for organizations to host their own community outreach, and photos and videos from past community outreach activities. **Access the website [here](#).**

TRIGGER POINTS: CURRENT STATE OF RESEARCH ON HISTORY, IMPACTS, AND HEALING RELATED TO THE UNITED STATES' INDIAN INDUSTRIAL/BOARDING SCHOOL POLICY

Published by the Native American Rights Fund (NARF) in 2019, this report contributes to the ongoing dialogue exploring contemporary impacts of the Boarding School era and policies

on Native Americans. NARF gathered existing research about the purposes and human rights abuses of US American Indian boarding school policies, why they still matter today, and, most importantly, how recovery can and is accomplished. **Access the report [here](#).**



THE NATIONAL NATIVE AMERICAN BOARDING SCHOOL HEALING COALITION (NABS) WEBSITE

NABS acknowledges the need for awareness, education, and healing from the intergenerational effects of boarding schools in Indian Country and Alaska Native communities. Their website provides materials and resources for the nation to continue the healing of those

impacted and raise awareness about the history of boarding schools. **Access the website [here](#).**

TRAINING AND EVENTS



**VIRTUAL
MEETINGS
HOSTED BY
YOUR TTA
PROVIDERS**

CHILD SEX TRAFFICKING: FROM SUSPICION TO DISCLOSURE

This online training, hosted by the National Criminal Justice Training Center of Fox Valley Technical College (NCJTC), will teach strategies to enhance the likelihood of obtaining information from possible victims of child sex trafficking. Facilitators will compare and contrast typical child sexual abuse cases with child sex trafficking (CST) cases and address the different points of entry into the criminal justice and welfare system for CST victims. The training will also review various disciplines' roles and how they can contribute to a positive outcome of a CST case.

Furthermore, participants will examine question strategy, interview dynamics, language use, and interview suggestions, and discuss the business model of child sex trafficking as it relates to a variety of crimes.

Find more information or register [here](#). Date: Thursday, September 2, 2021 at 12pm ET

IMPORTANCE OF COLLABORATION

This webinar from NCJTC reviews the need for effective and sustainable collaboration, sharing a common vision, and the importance of understanding each collaborating discipline's needs and roles. Participants will be provided tools to overcome collaboration challenges and optimize the benefits of collaboration and communication in working together.

Find more information or register [here](#). Date: Thursday, September 2, 2021 at 3:30pm ET

IACP 2021 ANNUAL CONFERENCE & EXPOSITION

This annual conference offers law enforcement leaders strategies, expert advice, and specific information to help agencies function at maximum effectiveness. The conference covers a wide range of law enforcement topics and this year's event will include sessions specific to crime victim services, including, publicity preparedness, reviewing the Sandy Hook school shooting response, and the value of victim services for small agencies. This conference is offered in-person in New Orleans, LA and online.

Find more information or register [here](#). Dates: Saturday-Tuesday, September 11-14, 2021

NCJTC'S MONTHLY OVC GRANTEE FORUM VIRTUAL MEETING: ACCESSING SERVICES AND RESOURCES FOR INDIGENOUS MISSING AND EXPLOITED CHILDREN CASES

Join us and special guests from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) to discuss best practices, and accessing and delivering services and resources on Indigenous missing and exploited children cases. This networking opportunity may expand or enhance your Tribal victims' services to best serve families and survivors of missing, exploited, and sex trafficked clients.

Find more information or register [here](#). Date: Tuesday, September 28, 2021 at 1pm ET

UNIFIED'S SEPTEMBER COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE VIRTUAL GATHERING: HISTORICAL TRAUMA AND TRAUMA INFORMED CARE

September's Community of Practice will provide examples of culturally relevant responses to historical trauma and trauma informed care in Tribal communities across the nation. Join subject matter experts and fellow grantee programs to learn more about effectively supporting victims of crime in your community.

Find more information or register [here](#). Date: Tuesday, September 28, 2021 at 2pm ET

TRAINING AND EVENTS CONTINUED

33RD ANNUAL VIRTUAL COLORADO ORGANIZATION FOR VICTIM ASSISTANCE CONFERENCE

The Colorado Organization for Victim Assistance Conference is amongst the largest victim services conferences in the country. In addition to pre-conference all-day Skill Building Session master classes from September 13, 2021 to September 16, 2021, the conference is a three-day event from September 20, 2021 to September 22, 2021, featuring 3 keynote speakers and over 36 workshops. During this Conference, participants will learn new skills and best practices for the victim services field. Last year there were more than 1,400 attendees from government agencies, district attorney offices, law enforcement, victim services field professionals, and victim advocacy non-profit organizations, as well as victims and survivors.



Find more information or register [here](#). Date: Monday-Wednesday, September 13-22, 2021 at 11am ET

TOGETHER FORWARD: 2021 VIRTUAL LEARNING CONFERENCE - TOGETHER FORWARD: REIMAGINING JUSTICE AND HEALING FOR SURVIVORS

REIMAGINING JUSTICE AND HEALING FOR SURVIVORS

September 14-15, 2021



The Arizona Coalition to End Sexual and Domestic Violence is pleased to announce their 2021 Virtual Learning Conference, which will provide participants with a variety of learning opportunities about centering healing and reclaiming justice to work towards ending domestic and sexual violence by dismantling oppression and promoting equity among all people. The conference agenda is forthcoming.

Find more information or register [here](#). Dates: Tuesday-Wednesday, September 14-15, 2021

SYMPOSIUM: MISSING OR MURDERED AMERICAN INDIANS AND ALASKA NATIVES

This free virtual Symposium, hosted by the Office of Justice Programs, and U.S. Department of Justice, Operation Lady Justice, will address important topics like data collection, victim advocacy, creating a community strategy for addressing missing persons, and working collaboratively across jurisdictions in an effort to find lasting solutions to the public safety challenges Tribal communities encounter.

Find more information or register [here](#). Dates: Tuesday-Thursday, September 14-16, 2021 at 1:30pm ET



EARLY IDENTIFICATION AND EVIDENCE COLLECTION PERSPECTIVES

Hosted by NCJTC, this webinar will illustrate the importance of early identification of drug endangered children and how disciplines and community members can identify victims. Through videos and photos, this course will demonstrate how various disciplines and community members identify the evidence they need based on their different perspectives and roles.

Find more information or register [here](#). Date: Thursday, September 16, 2021 at 3:30pm ET

TRAINING AND EVENTS CONTINUED



CHILD ABUSE: FROM SUSPICION TO DISCLOSURE

Attend this webinar hosted by NCJTC to learn effective approaches with children who are alleged victims of child abuse in the initial phases of a case after a concern has been identified. Participants will develop the skills and techniques necessary to engage a child in such a way as to minimize suggestibility but still provide support. The webinar will also review best practices in identifying a concern and learning to engage these children in a way that maximizes positive case outcomes and minimizes potential behaviors that can hurt cases.

Find more information or register [here](#). Date: Tuesday, September 21, 2021 at 10am ET

COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE, SAFETY PLANNING WORKSHOP: WISÁWCA PROJECT ENOUGH IS ENOUGH FOR JUSTICE ALLIES

During this webinar hosted by NCJTC Kola Shippentower-Thompson will demonstrate the steps of developing a safety plan with clients. Through an interactive discussion and a live tutorial, participants will develop a plan with precautions to consider and safety measures to take to increase their safety. Kola will also explain how safety plans may assist criminal justice professions to better respond to victimization.

Find more information or register [here](#). Date: Wednesday, September 22, 2021 at 3pm ET



ROADMAP AND TOOLKIT TO A SUCCESSFUL MULTI-DISCIPLINARY TEAM

This webinar, hosted by NCJTC, will walk participants through the stages of developing an effective, sustainable multidisciplinary team (MDT), including awareness, implementation, and institutionalization. The course will emphasize each stage's importance, and how and when MDTs can transition from one stage to the next for sustainability.

Find more information or register [here](#). Date: Thursday, September 23, 2021 at 3:30pm ET

EXPERT Q&A: ARE YOU PREPARED? THE ROLE OF VICTIM ASSISTANCE PROVIDERS IN PREPARING AND RESPONDING TO INCIDENTS OF MASS VIOLENCE

Join this online Expert Q&A discussion, hosted by the Office for Victims of Crime Training and Technical Assistance Center, to hear about proactive strategies for connecting with local resources and identifying resources that can help prepare victim assistance practitioners for their role in mass violence incident response and recovery. This session will be recorded and posted on the Expert Q&A Past Sessions page when available.

Find more information or register [here](#). Date: Wednesday, September 29, 2021 at 2pm ET



FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES



INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES – COMMUNITY HEALTH AIDE PROGRAM: TRIBAL ASSESSMENT & PLANNING

The purpose of the Tribal Assessment & Planning (TAP) program is to support the assessment and planning of Tribes and Tribal Organizations (T/TO) in determining the feasibility of implementing Community Health Aide Program (CHAP) in their respective communities. The program is designed to support the regional flexibility required for T/TO to design a program unique to the needs of their individual communities across the country through the identification of feasibility factors.

Application materials are available [here](#). Deadline: Monday, September 6, 2021

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES - COMMUNITY HEALTH AIDE PROGRAM: TRIBAL PLANNING & IMPLEMENTATION

The purpose of the Tribal Planning & Implementation (TPI) program is to support the planning and implementation for T/TO positioned to begin operating a CHAP or support a growing CHAP in the contiguous 48 states. The grant program is designed to support the regional flexibility required for T/TO to implement a CHAP unique to the needs of their individual communities across the country through the identification of feasibility factors.

Application materials are available [here](#). Deadline: Monday, September 6, 2021

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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