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FORUM NEWS

[Judge discusses negotiating trauma and the law as chief tribal court judge of Yurok Nation](#)

ABA Journal – January 3, 2023

Judge Abby Abinanti was the first tribal woman to be admitted to the State Bar of California. For almost two decades, she served as a judicial officer for the San Francisco Superior Court, and Abinanti has been a Yurok tribal court judge since 1997.

In our discussion about negotiating trauma and the law, she speaks about being embarrassed by her own trauma in law school, her resistance to business as usual while on the San Francisco bench, a call against further ecological trauma and decisions about what she did not bring back home to her tribe as she began a culturally powered court program.

IN THE NEWS

[Tribes Ask 9th Circ. To Restore ICWA Compliance Reviews](#) (Requires free registration)

Law 360 - January 06, 2023

A group of tribes and child-welfare advocates is asking the Ninth Circuit to reinstate a set of rules requiring the U.S. government to track whether states are complying with the Indian Child Welfare Act and collect certain data on sexual orientation in child custody cases.

[Wyoming Considers Codifying Indian Child Welfare Act Protections in State Law](#)

Imprint - January 09, 2023

As the future of the federal Indian Child Welfare Act is debated in the U.S. Supreme Court, Wyoming stands poised to enshrine its protections for Native families in state law. At least eleven other states have codified ICWA-like protections so far. A group of state lawmakers have proposed legislation and shared it with local tribal leaders for feedback, the Casper Star-Tribune reports. State Sen. Affie Ellis, co-chair of the committee working on the issue, said the goal was to codify ICWA in Wyoming - "or something better than what the feds have done" - ahead of the Supreme Court's ruling on the federal law, which is expected this spring.

Also: [Potential downfall of Indian Child Welfare Act leaves lawmakers in a hard spot](#)

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[Two lawsuits could threaten the sovereignty of Indigenous nations](#)

Crosscut – January 10, 2023

Plaintiffs claim the Indian Child Welfare Act and the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act are racially discriminatory – against non-Indigenous people.

['Part of the same system': DOJ investigates similarities between Indigenous boarding schools, mental health treatment facilities](#) (Includes video)

KTUU - January 11, 2023

According to a report by the University of Alaska, by 1969, at least 2,076 Alaska Native children had been enrolled in a secondary boarding school. Ongtooguk became emancipated and was able to avoid going to a boarding school, yet, the eerie memories are still there. On Dec. 15 2020, the Department of Justice announced they had reasonable cause to believe Alaska was violating Title II of the Americans With Disability Act "by failing to provide services to children with behavioral health disabilities in the most integrated setting appropriate to their needs." The investigation also drew parallels between the boarding schools and the removal of youth from their hometown for mental health treatment. "The experience of PRTF placement can be devastating for children-and uniquely so for Alaska native children, compounding the trauma of past generations when Alaska Native youth were routinely taken from their communities and sent to boarding schools, including some run by the State or the federal Bureau of Indian Affairs," the report said. Also: [Investigation of the State of Alaska's Behavioral Health System for Children](#) Also: [Thirty Years Later: The Long-Term Effect of Boarding Schools on Alaska Natives and Their Communities](#)

[Along Little Traverse Bay, a fresh approach to child welfare programs](#) (Includes audio)

Interlochen Public Radio - January 12, 2023

The Little Traverse Bay Band of Odawa Indians launched a family preservation court to address what it calls a crisis in the field across Michigan and the country. Chief Judge Allie Greenleaf Maldonado calls the fresh approach her dream. This is part of a big change the tribe made recently to how it handles child welfare cases - an attempt to address what it calls a crisis across Michigan and the country. Maldonado, the tribe and attorneys have the same goal for the preservation court: keep families together and children out of foster homes. Maldonado said the family preservation court allows the court to wrap services around families at the front end before a situation gets worse.

Also: [Waganakising Odawak Statute #2022-001: Child Protection Statute](#)

[Oyate Court program to expand reach](#)

South Dakota Public Broadcasting

Oyate Court, a criminal justice partnership between state prosecutors and tribal representatives, is expanding. After beginning in Pennington County, efforts are underway to create a similar program in Tripp County.

Oyate Court offers a path for those in the criminal justice system that goes beyond locking up an offender.

Under the program, certain state cases are handed over to the Oyate Court. A circle of Lakota elders hears from all parties involved and comes up with a solution. Organizers say this follows an ancient procedure called "Peacemaking Circles."

These programs are supported with funds from the Office on Violence Against Women, U.S. Department of Justice that are administered through the Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES), the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Court Improvement Program, and the California Department of Social Services.

[Federal government seeks solutions to the crisis of missing Indigenous people](#)

Wyoming Public Media – January 13, 2023

The Native American Women Warriors Color Guard kicked off the White House Tribal Nation’s Summit late last year by carrying flags through an auditorium to traditional music. The procession symbolized the nation-to-nation spirit of the two-day event, which served as a venue for the Biden administration to announce a range of new commitments to Indian Country. But for all the progress the federal government has made recently, the summit made clear how much work remains in solving the persistent, intractable crisis of missing and murdered Indigenous people.

[Indigenous people want comprehensive reporting on missing people](#)

The Durango Herald – January 13, 2023

Local activists seek action from Navajo leaders for their resolution to help victims. More than 5,700 American Indian and Alaska Native women and girls were reported missing as of 2016, according to the National Crime Information Center, but only 116 of those cases were lodged with the Department of Justice. Eighty-four percent of Native women experience violence in their lifetime, according to the National Institute of Justice, and women in some tribal communities have been 10 times more likely to be murdered than the national average.

[An Indigenous adoptee reclaims her culture](#)

Cherokee Phoenix – January 18, 2023

For years, Sandy White Hawk has been invited to bring the Wabléniča Ceremony to Indigenous communities around the country, welcoming home fellow adoptees taken through adoption and foster care. Using cultural items to “wipe off the smog of shame, sadness, and hurt from the shoulders of all who stand in the circle,” healing can begin, the founder of Minnesota’s First Nations Repatriation Institute writes in a new [memoir](#) released Dec. 6.

[Natives incarcerated at alarming rates, report shows](#)

Montana Right Now – January 18, 2023

A [new report](#) released Tuesday shows that Native American people are incarcerated at rates up to seven times higher than white people in the United States.

The report, “Over-incarceration of Native Americans: Roots, Inequities, and Solutions” was released through the MacArthur Foundation and highlights the alarming incarceration disparities can be based on race and ethnicity. Further, American Indians and Alaska Natives are overrepresented in the prison population in 19 states and are sentenced more harshly compared to White, African American and Hispanic people.

[Two bills related to the Indian Child Welfare Act move forward](#)

Wyoming Public Radio - January 19, 2023

A bill moving through the Wyoming legislature would create a state law protecting the tenets of the federal Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA). The bill came about because the U.S. Supreme Court may potentially repeal the federal law this summer. ICWA was passed in 1978. It keeps tribes of Indigenous children in the know of family court proceedings to maintain families and communities. Before ICWA, a high percentage of Indigenous children were being removed from their tribal affiliations and placed in families outside their culture.

Also: HB0019 - [State Indian Child Welfare Act task force](#).

Also: SF0094 - [Federal Indian Child Welfare Act codification](#).

['Major concerns' were flagged in Indian boarding home system for years, records show](#)

CBC News - January 19, 2023

In January 1967, the minister of Indian Affairs in Ottawa got a troubling letter from the United Church's Indian Work Sub-Committee in the Lower Mainland of British Columbia. Committee members were so concerned by the department's handling of an expanding boarding home program for Indigenous students attending public schools, they felt compelled to write. The committee filled two single-spaced, typewritten pages with what it saw as problems with the program. Earlier this month, lawyers for boarding home survivors and the federal Liberal government agreed to settle a class-action lawsuit. The announcement of an agreement-in-principle came nearly 56 years after the church committee sent its letter of concerns, which was filed in Federal Court in 2018.

[Trying to solve the crisis of missing and murdered Indigenous people](#)

Boise State Public Radio – January 19, 2023

In 2021, more than 9,500 Indigenous people were reported missing through the FBI's National Crime Information Center. That's a higher rate of disappearance than the general U.S. population. Murder is also the third-leading cause of death among Native women, according to the Urban Indian Health Institute.

[Bills would help Native Americans in Nevada](#) (Includes audio) (Includes video) (May require subscription)

Las Vegas Review-Journal - January 21, 2023

The Nevada Legislature is set to consider several bills in the upcoming 2023 session that will affect Native Americans in the state. Here's a look at some of them: Indian Child Welfare Act - Backus has another bill draft request that would protect the Indian Child Welfare Act in Nevada if it gets overturned federally. The legislation from 1978 provides guidance to states regarding the handling of child abuse and neglect cases and adoptions involving Native American children, according to the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs. There is a pending Supreme Court case, *Brackeen v. Haaland*, that could overturn the law.

['Road to Healing' Visits Arizona to Hear from Boarding School Survivors, Descendants](#)

Native News Online - January 22, 2023

Tribal citizens and boarding school survivors filled the Gila Crossing Community School near Phoenix on Friday, as senior officials from the Department of Interior held the fourth listening session on the yearlong Road to Healing Tour. The Gila River Indian Community hosted the listening session by the U.S. Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland (Laguna Pueblo) and Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs Bryan Newland (Bay Mills Indian Community). Gila River Indian Community Governor Stephen Roe Lewis, who also serves as secretary of the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) introduced Secretary Haaland.

[ICWA Applies in Private Family Custody Arrangements, Montana Supreme Court Rules](#) (Includes video)

Imprint - January 22, 2023

The Supreme Court of Montana has ruled that the Indian Child Welfare Act applies to third party custody arrangements in which a Native American parent allows the courts to place their child in the care of a family member. The ruling overturns previous case law in the state that had said ICWA did not apply in these types of custody agreements made privately among family members without child welfare involvement.

['Murder In Big Horn' Review: Showtime's New Doc Series Covers The Tragic, Harrowing Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women Crisis](#)

The Playlist – January 22, 2023

In Montana's Big Sky Country, a black cloud hangs over the state's expansive horizon. It looms above the indigenous residents of the Crow and Northern Cheyenne Reservations and nearby towns in Big Horn County most of all. "That energy just consumes you as an individual," explains an elderly Native American woman, "then it consumes your family until it consumes your whole tribe." But what's the dark energy that smothers the southern Montana region? It's the ongoing crisis of missing and murdered indigenous women (MMIW), with cases increasing over the past decade at alarming rates. And there's also the legacy of Indian reservations to reckon with, the historical cause of cultural dysfunctions that linger in NA societies today.

[North Dakota bill seeks to protect Native American adoption rules as court decision looms](#)

Dickinson Press - January 23, 2023

As Indian Country braces for a potentially seismic court decision, Native American lawmakers and tribal advocates in North Dakota are hoping to cement decades-old federal adoption rules in state law. Rep. Jayme Davis, D-Rolette, is sponsoring House Bill 1536, which would weld the crux of the federal Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) onto North Dakota's books.

Also: [House Bill 1536](#)

[U.S. Supreme Court adds more Indian Country cases to docket](#) (Includes video)

Indianz.com - January 24, 2023

Indian Country is gearing up for another round of big cases at the nation's highest court. The U.S. Supreme Court already heard one Indian law case this term and it was a major one. Arguments took place last November in *Haaland v. Brackeen*, a closely-watched dispute that will determine whether tribes can continue to protect their children through the Indian Child Welfare Act. Two more significant matters have since been added to the docket. On November 4, the justices agreed to decide *Department of the Interior v. Navajo Nation*, another significant case that impacts the federal government's trust and treaty obligation to provide water to tribal nations. Then on January 14, the Supreme Court added *Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa*

Indians v. Coughlin to its calendar. The outcome will determine whether tribal sovereignty has been abrogated by federal bankruptcy law, an issue that has never been decided by the justices.

[North Dakota Introduces State ICWA Bill](#)

Native News Online - January 25, 2023

North Dakota lawmakers introduced a bill on Monday that would solidify the rules of the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) into state law. Representative Jayme Davis, D-Rolette, an enrolled member of the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa, is sponsoring House Bill 1536. The bipartisan proposal comes as Indian Country awaits the Supreme Court decision on *Haaland vs. Brackeen*, which will determine the fate of the 43-year-old federal law designed to keep children who are tribal members with Native families. The court heard arguments in November 2022 and is expected to release a ruling later this year. Advocates in Indian Country consider the case to be the most significant threat to sovereignty in modern times.

[Nevada Eyes State Bill to Codify ICWA](#)

Imprint - January 27, 2023

Nevada could soon join the growing list of states to codify the protections of the federal Indian Child Welfare Act into state law. Las Vegas Democrat Assemblywoman Shea Backus has drafted a bill that would enshrine the bedrock law's protections statewide in case the federal law is overturned by the U.S. Supreme Court, the Las Vegas Review-Journal reports. More than 3% of Nevada's population - 105,790 people - have Native heritage, making them eligible for ICWA's protections, according to 2020 Census data.

Also: [Bills would help Native Americans in Nevada](#) (Includes video) (Includes audio)

[Utah Indian Child Welfare Act Bill held up in committee](#)

KSL - January 27, 2023

The Utah House Judiciary Committee voted 7-5 Thursday to hold a bill patterned after the federal Indian Child Welfare Act, which offers protections for Native American children during adoption and foster care processes. A hold blocks a bill from advancing to a vote on the House floor, although it may be reconsidered at a later point.

Also: [HB40](#)

[BIA Commission on Native Children to Hold Hawaii Hearing](#) (Press release)

Bureau of Indian Affairs Commission on Native Children - January 26, 2023

The Commission on Native Children will hold its Hawaii Regional Hearing in Honolulu, HI, February 15-16, 2023 at the Moana Surf Rider, and virtually. The prior regional hearing was held in Oklahoma City, OK in October 2022. The Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children was established by Congress as an independent federal entity charged with conducting a comprehensive study of federal, state, local, and tribal, Native Hawaiian programs and developing recommendations on solutions that would improve the health, safety, and well-being of Native Children. The Commission will examine the unique challenges Native children face and make recommendations on improving the current system by building on the strengths and leadership of Native communities, with the goal of developing a sustainable system that delivers effective, culturally appropriate, meaningful wrap-around services to Native children.

PUBLICATIONS

[The Violence Against Women Act Housing Provisions and Impacts to Indigenous Survivors of Domestic and Sexual Violence.](#) LaPorte, Caroline. 2022

[Tribal Legal Code Resource: Juvenile Justice - Guide for Drafting or Revising Tribal Juvenile Delinquency and Status Offense Laws](#)

- This resource guide is designed to assist Tribal governments with creating, re-evaluating, and strengthening their juvenile codes and provide a starting point for Tribal governments to reference when drafting or revising statutory language pertaining to juvenile offenses.

[Mapping Dual Sovereignty and Double Jeopardy in Indian Country Crimes.](#) Angela Riley, Columbia Law Review, Vol. 122, No. 7 (2022)

Abstract: The Double Jeopardy Clause guarantees no individual will be put in jeopardy twice for the same offense. But, pursuant to the dualsovereignty doctrine, multiple prosecutions for offenses stemming from the same conduct do not violate the Clause if the offenses charged arise under the laws of separate sovereigns, even if the laws are otherwise identical. The doctrine applies to tribal prosecutions, but its impact in Indian country is rarely studied.

[Addressing Domestic Violence Through Use of Circle Peacemaking: Reflections on Building Tribal-Researcher Capacity](#) Eric L. Einspruch, Jon Wunrow, Mike (Ka.oosh) Jackson, Dawn Jackson, Anthony Gastelum, National Institute of Justice Tribal-Researcher Capacity Building Grant.

Abstract: The authors provide information obtained through the Tribal-Researcher Capacity-Building Grant program, a research planning project where outside experts partnered with Tribal representatives with the goal of strengthening Tribal families and the community of the Organized Village of Kake (OVK) in Alaska, by shedding new light on domestic violence (DV) issues through the Circle Peacemaking approach to restorative justice.

[The Indian Child Welfare Act During the Brackeen Years](#), Kathryn E. Fort & Adrian Smith, *Juvenile & Family Court Journal*

From 2017 through 2022, while the Indian Child Welfare Act (“ICWA”) was under direct constitutional attack from Texas, state courts around the country continued hearing appeals on ICWA with virtually no regard for the decision making happening in *Haaland v. Brackeen* in the federal courts. For practitioners following or working on both sets of cases, this duality felt surreal, as they practiced their daily work under an existential threat. The data in this article draws from the authors’ previous publications providing annual updates on ICWA appeals, and now includes cases through 2021. It provides a description of appellate data trends across this time period, as well as for each year, while also highlighting key appellate decisions from jurisdictions across the country. Perhaps what this article demonstrates more than any single thing is the amount that ICWA is a part of child welfare practitioners’ daily lives now, in a way that will be difficult to upend, regardless of the Supreme Court’s ultimate decision.

[Judicial Discretion Across Jurisdictions: McGirt’s Effects on Indian Offenders in Oklahoma](#), Emily N. Harwell, *Cornell Law Review*, Vol. 107: 2095.

Abstract: At the heart of Federal Indian Law is the unique status of Native Americans. As citizens of both the United States and their respective tribal nations, Native Americans are subjected to a complicated and distinctive criminal jurisdiction scheme.

[Due Process and Equal Protection in Michigan Anishinaabe Courts](#), Mathew M. Fletcher, *Michigan State Law Review*, Vol 2022-2023 1.

Abstract: In 1968, largely because the United States Constitution does not apply to tribal government activity, Congress enacted the Indian Civil Rights Act—a federal law that requires tribal governments to guarantee due process and equal protection to persons under tribal jurisdiction. In 1978, the Supreme Court held that persons seeking to enforce those federal rights may do so in tribal forums only; federal and state courts are unavailable.

[NICWA fiscal year 2022 annual report](#)

National Indian Child Welfare Association (NICWA)

One of our guiding principles at NICWA is that culture is our greatest resource for helping families. We honor this principle in how we provide resources, training, and technical assistance to frontline workers, directors, and tribal leaders. We draw on our cultures for guidance, to find balance, and for healing.

[Youth and the Juvenile Justice System: 2022 National Report](#)

Charles Puzzanchera, Sarah Hockenberry, and Melissa Sickmund
National Center for Juvenile Justice, December 2022

Developed by the National Center for Juvenile Justice (NCJJ) for the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention and NIJ, this report draws on reliable data and relevant research to provide a comprehensive and insightful view of youth victims and offending by youth, and what happens to youth when they enter the juvenile justice system in the U.S.

[Stepped Collaborative Care for Adolescents](#)

National Institute of Justice (NIJ)

This program was designed to reduce violence risk behaviors as well as PTSD and depressive symptoms by providing adolescents with a variety of services following a traumatic injury. The program is rated No Effects. There were no statistically significant differences between the intervention and control groups in substance use problems, or PTSD and depressive symptoms, though intervention group patients reported a statistically significant reduction in weapons carrying.

[Youth-Initiated Mentoring for Youth Development](#)

National Institute of Justice (NIJ)

Youth-initiated mentoring involves a hybrid approach in which youths are empowered to identify, develop, and strengthen natural mentoring relationships from their existing social networks, rather than being assigned a new mentor through a more formal mentoring relationship. The practice is rated Promising for improving psychological, health, school/academic, and social outcomes, and rated No Effects for cognitive functioning outcomes.

[Model Programs Guide Literature Review: Children Exposed to Violence](#)

Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

This literature review examines the prevalence and consequences of children exposed to violence (CEV); describes definitional challenges for researchers and program providers; reviews risk and protective factors related to CEV; summarizes approaches to preventing, reducing, and addressing the consequences of CEV, such as trauma-informed care; and provides outcome evidence related to interventions that seek to prevent or address CEV.

[Human Trafficking Data Collection Activities, 2022](#)

U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs & Bureau of Justice Statistics

The Combat Human Trafficking Act of 2015 (CHTA) (34 U.S.C. § 20709(e)) requires the director of the Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) to prepare an annual report on human trafficking.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

On January 12, 2023 the Indian Affairs Bureau published a new list of [Indian Entities Recognized by and Eligible To Receive Services From the United States Bureau of Indian Affairs](#) in the Federal Register.

[Justice Department Announces Funding Opportunities to Support Public Safety in Tribal Communities](#)

The Department of Justice has announced the opening of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS) period for comprehensive funding to American Indian and Alaska Native communities. CTAS funding supports crime prevention activities, victim services, and coordinated community responses to violence against Native American individuals.

Administered by the Department's Office of Justice Programs (OJP) and Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), CTAS is online at <https://www.justice.gov/tribal/open-solicitations>. The solicitation will provide instructions on how federally recognized tribal governments and tribal consortia can apply for funding.

[BJA Announces Fellows for the Reaching Rural Initiative](#)

Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)

The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) is placing 67 fellows in rural communities across the country to help combat the substance overdose epidemic that has hit rural communities particularly hard. The fellows selected for the Reaching Rural: Advancing Collaborative Solutions initiative reflect diverse disciplines and unique experiences, including law enforcement. | [BJA](#)

[Regenerating Ojai-Documentary](#)

This 30 minute-long documentary film which is narrated by Academy Award Winner Laura Dern, exposes shocking truths about pesticide exposure in Ojai, a small Southern California town located in the agricultural county of Ventura, California. The documentary features the perspective of environmental care from a local Chumash tribal member.

[Indigenous Law Center | UC Law | San Francisco \(uchastings.edu\)](#)

The Indigenous Law Center (ILC) announces a newly created documentary about their summer placement program featuring students who worked on ICWA issues, family law, housing, trauma informed lawyering, tribal common law, and other topics of interest.

The ILC is seeking placements for their students and will cover the student stipend of \$6,000 for the summer. **Please contact:** Jo Carrillo, J.D., J.S.D., Professor of Law and Director of the Indigenous Law Center, UC Law SF (formerly known as UC Hastings) for further information at carrillo@uchastings.edu

[National Stalking Awareness Month](#)

Visit the [National Stalking Awareness Month website](#) for ready-to-use resources to help your organization promote awareness. This Stalking Prevention, Awareness, and Resource Center site is funded by the Office on Violence Against Women. For tools to help you build awareness and serve victims of crime, visit the following websites—[OVC's Stalking Topic page](#) contains publications, answers to frequently asked questions, and resources. [OVC's Mobile Apps page](#) contains resources for victims of stalking, including DocuSAFE and the Tech Safety App, OVC-funded apps from the National Network to End Domestic Violence. The Office of Justice Programs' [Stalking Special Feature](#) highlights research and resources.

[National Human Trafficking Prevention Month](#)

Every January, the Nation commemorates [National Human Trafficking Prevention Month](#). This year, OVC offers a [commemoration guide](#) to help your organization develop and carry out its anti-trafficking awareness campaigns during National Human Trafficking Prevention Month and throughout the year. Discover additional resources to raise awareness about human trafficking in the [Human Trafficking Prevention Month Toolkit 2023](#). Discover publications, training and technical assistance, and more on the OVC [Human Trafficking Microsite](#) and [Child Victims and Witnesses Support Materials](#).

ONLINE RESOURCES

[Special Collection: For Creating a Coordinated Community Response to Domestic Violence](#). [Webpage]. National Indigenous Women's Resource Center. STTARS Indigenous Safe Housing Center. 2022

[Fact Sheet: Reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act \(VAWA\)](#). [Webpage]. United States. White House. 2022

[National Runaway Safeline](#)

For 50 years, the National Runaway Safeline has been responding to youth and families in crisis, serving as the national communications system for runaway and homeless youth. We continually transform technology, training and services to meet the current needs of vulnerable youth and ultimately achieve an end to youth homelessness.

[Learn more about ACEs and their impact on lifelong health](#)

Capacity Building Center for Tribes

Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) can include physical or emotional abuse, neglect, witnessing violence, and other potentially traumatic events. Knowing more about ACEs and their impact on a child's lifelong health and opportunities can inform tribal child welfare professionals in their considerations of the supports needed for future healthy development. These resources focus primarily on ACEs – and their counterpart, Positive Childhood Experiences (PCEs) - and American Indian and Alaska Native communities.

[Crisis Response and Intervention Training for Police Officers](#)

Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)

With the support of the Bureau of Justice Assistance, the Academic Training Initiative to Inform Police Responses developed the Crisis Response and Intervention Training (CRIT), a 40-hour training curriculum designed to prepare police officers in their response to people experiencing crises related to behavioral health conditions and intellectual and developmental disabilities. CRIT is an off-the-shelf training curriculum that can be customized to local needs and is available online.

[Supporting Law Enforcement and Prosecution of Opioid-Related Overdose Deaths](#)

National Institute of Justice (NIJ)

Cuyahoga County's (Ohio) Medical Examiner's Office developed the Heroin Involved Death Investigation (HIDI) Protocol to support a safe, coordinated, and rapid response to active drug overdose death scenes. Researchers funded by the National Institute of Justice found the HIDI Protocol to be an innovative, collaborative system of data protection, collection, and flow that supports overdose investigations.

[Understanding, Preventing, and Responding to Human Trafficking](#)

National Institute of Justice (NIJ)

Human trafficking is an issue without a simple solution, but research on this problem is helping victims and developing tools and information to help better understand, prevent, and respond to trafficking. NIJ Scientist Mary Carlton joins host Josh Mondoro, Communications Assistant at NIJ, for a discussion about this research.

[Strategic Planning Resources for Tribal Child Welfare Systems and Organizations](#)

Capacity Building Center for Tribes

Whether your program has a staff of two or three, or even fifteen or more, a strategic plan will help ensure your team is working together to achieve the same results for the community.

[Defining and Studying Elder Abuse Polyvictimization \(Podcast\)](#)

National Institute of Justice (NIJ)

In this latest podcast episode, NIJ Social Science Analyst Yunsoo Park discusses risk factors, difficulties in defining and studying elder abuse polyvictimization, and strategies for intervention and prevention.

[Understanding, Preventing, and Responding to Human Trafficking \(Podcast\)](#)

Justice Today

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[Indian Child Welfare Act \(ICWA\) Hotline](#)

California Department of Social Services

In 2021, the CDSS collaborated to develop concrete action steps to provide oversight of county implementation of ICWA standards. As a result of this collaboration, the ICWA Hotline was conceived as a method for tribal representatives and, eventually, other interested individuals to make confidential disclosures regarding child welfare practice by county CWS agencies and probation departments as it relates to ICWA requirements. Tribal representatives can make a report regarding ICWA non-compliance by a county child welfare agency or probation department by contacting the **ICWA Hotline toll free at 1-844-796-6283, by email to CDSSICWASupport@dss.ca.gov or by submitting a disclosure form (SOC889).**

UPCOMING CONFERENCES, WEBINARS AND TRAININGS

[Indian Child Welfare Act \(ICWA\) Webinar: Collaborative Conversations \(Webinar\)](#)

National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges

February 2, 2023

11:30 a.m.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children and Families (ACF), in collaboration with the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges (NCJFCJ), is hosting a web-based event about the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA). This panel conversation will cover ICWA and the role of collaborative relationships between tribes, states, and others within their communities as a promising practice to improve outcomes for tribal children, their families, and communities.

Panelists will include: Judge Janet Bostwick, Pima County (AZ) Superior Court, Judge Kathleen Quigley, Pima County (AZ) Superior Court, and Attorney General Fred Urbina, Pasqua Yaqui Tribe.

The panel discussion will be facilitated by Sheldon Spotted Elk, Senior Director, Judicial & National Engagement for Casey Family Programs.

[OVC FY 2023 Anti-Trafficking Funding Opportunities Overview \(Webinar\)](#)

February 9, 2023

10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

During the webinar, OVC will provide high-level information about nine planned anti-trafficking funding opportunities and eligibility. Participants will also learn about resources and tools to help successfully prepare in advance of the release of this year's anti-trafficking grant solicitations. There will be funding opportunities for direct services, multidisciplinary task forces, youth-focused initiatives, a fellowship, and training and technical assistance efforts.

[4C for Cherokee Children Cultural Connection \(Webinar\)](#)

Center for Tribes

February 9, 2023

11:00 a.m.

Learn about *4C- Cherokee Children Cultural Connection*, an exciting initiative that provides alternative methods for children to process trauma, expand their cultural knowledge, and connect their spirits for improved mental and physical health.

[Medical Debt Crisis - Impact on Native and Indigenous Families](#)

National Consumer Law Center and Community Catalyst

February 9, 2023

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

This webinar will look at medical debt in Native and Indigenous communities, the social and political influences causing an increased risk of medical debt, and what groups on the ground are doing to address this issue.

[4 Day Train the Trainer \(TTT\) Opportunity](#)

National Training and Development Curriculum (NTDC)

February 13 – 16, 2023; May 22 – 25, 2023; September 6, 7, 13, & 14, 2023

An upcoming training opportunity for Tribal Nations interested in implementing content from the National Training and Development Curriculum (NTDC) into the training they offer to prospective and/or current resource families. It is a state-of-the-art classroom and online program that helps to prepare prospective foster and adoptive parents to be successful parents.

[Native Youth Leadership Summit \(NYLS\) 2023](#)

National Congress of American Indians (NCAI)

February 20-23, 2023

Capital Hilton

1001 16th St NW, Washington, DC 20036

The Native Youth Leadership Summit (NYLS) is designed for youth leaders to meet and develop strategies for improving local and tribal communities through policy development and the resolution process. The Summit is a prime opportunity for Native Youth to learn how to become advocates for their communities while networking with their peers and tribal leaders from across Indian Country.

[Tribal Court Family Advocacy/Implementing VAWA](#)

Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians

February 21 – 23, 2023

Chumash Casino Resort, Santa Ynez, CA

The event is hosted by the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians • Sponsored by Tribal Justice Support, Office of Justice Services, U.S. Department of the Interior–Indian Affairs. Is your tribe considering how to exercise VAWA jurisdiction in a P.L. 280 state? Do you present VAWA cases in tribal court? Gain direct knowledge from experienced tribal court judges, legal practitioners, and powerful interactive exercises.

Day 1: Implementing VAWA <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Overview of the re-authorized VAWA• Addressing Family Violence in Tribal Court• Outcomes without Incarceration	Day 3: Presenting Family Violence Cases <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Effective Family Violence Advocacy• Evidentiary Considerations in DV Trials• Mock VAWA Trial
Day 2: Addressing Family Violence <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Code Drafting Workshop• MOU Drafting Workshop• Affidavit, Complaint Drafting Workshop	

Attend in-person or remotely by Zoom. For more information, or to register, email: training@native-knowledge.com.

[Collaborative Courts in Time of Transition: Opportunities & Challenges](#)

California Collaborative Courts Association

February 27 – March 1, 2023

Monterey Marriott

350 Calle Principal, Monterey, CA 93940

The California Association of Collaborative Courts will be hosting its 2023 Conference, Collaborative Courts in Time of Transition: Opportunities & Challenges on February 27- March 1, 2023. Hosted at the beautiful Monterey Marriott, the 2023 Conference will include sessions on CARE Courts, Family Treatment Courts, mental health and trauma, and more!

[2023 National Conference on Juvenile Justice](#)

National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges (NCJFCJ)

March 19 – 22, 2023

Dallas Renaissance Addison Hotel

The conference will feature amazing presentations on current and cutting edge topics that will inspire you, broaden your knowledge, and provoke discussions about issues facing the juvenile and family court system. Plenary and breakout sessions on juvenile justice, trafficking, child welfare, all while highlighting court best practices, innovative solutions, and self-care.

[41st Annual Protecting Our Children Conference](#)
National Indian Child Welfare Association (NICWA)
April 2–5, 2023
Reno, Nevada

Each year, NICWA hosts the largest national gathering on American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) child advocacy issues. With over 1,400 attendees—and growing every year—this three-day conference has become the premiere national event addressing tribal child welfare and well-being. Keynote speakers range from federal officials at the highest level of government to youth with lived experience in child welfare systems.

COVID-19 SPECIFIC GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

[SARS-CoV-2 \(COVID-19\) Program Activities](#)

Department of Health and Human Services
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health
OS-PAW-20-001

Deadline: To be determined based on public health emergency needs.

The Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health (OASH) has established the Laboratory and Diagnostics Working Group (LDWG) seeking submissions to a Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) “to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus, domestically or internationally, for necessary expenses to research, develop, validate, manufacture, purchase, administer, and expand capacity for COVID–19 tests to effectively monitor and suppress COVID–19...” (Paycheck Protection Program and Healthcare Enhancement Act (P.L. 116-139)). The primary areas of focus should specifically include (1) Scaling and Networking of Technologies, and (2) Testing Demonstrations & Technical Assistance. Specifically, OASH is interested in submissions that will substantially increase our testing capacity and quality in the near term, and do not fall within the scope of other HHS programs.

Please Contact:

Eric West Office of Grants & Acquisitions Management
240-453-8822
[Office of Grants & Acquisitions Management](#)

[NCAI Financial Relief for Tribal Nations Affected by COVID-19](#)

With the continued spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), NCAI is committed to supporting Indian Country and lifting up our communities as we continue to combat this global pandemic. Keeping in mind the needs of our tribal nations, NCAI is awarding \$5,000 to various tribal nations that have been affected by this pandemic through NCAI's [COVID-19 Response Fund](#) for Indian Country.

Applications guidelines are located [here](#). NCAI Contact: Christian Weaver, *Vice President of Development*, cweaver@ncai.org

Coronavirus (COVID-19): FEMA Assistance for Tribal Nations

On March 13, 2020, the President announced a nationwide emergency declaration in response to coronavirus (COVID-19). As a result, tribal nations have two options to receive funding under the Presidential declaration.

- FEMA assistance for tribal nations related to COVID-19, click [here](#).
- What expenses qualify as Eligible Emergency Protective Measures, click [here](#).
- An example of a Tribal Public Assistance Administrative plan, click [here](#).
- FEMA regional tribal liaison and FEMA headquarters contact information, click [here](#).
- FEMA resources located on NCAI's COVID-19 microsite, click [here](#).

[GOLDEN STATE GRANT PROGRAM](#)

Attention CalWORKs families with an approved case status as of March 27 will receive a one-time Golden State Grant payment of \$600. The payment is to help families who may have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. This payment is not a CalWORKs grant payment and not subject to hearing rights.

[FEMA COVID-19 FUNERAL ASSISTANCE](#)

If you've have lost someone to COVID-19, FEMA may be able to help with funeral expenses starting in April 2021.

[Emergency Broadband Benefit](#)

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has authorized a new [Emergency Broadband Benefit](#). This benefit will provide a discount of \$50 per month for eligible low-income households or \$75 per month for households on Tribal lands to cover internet bills, as well as provide discounts on some devices. This program can also be combined with Lifeline benefits. The FCC has developed a [consumer FAQ](#), which provides information about eligibility and program details.

NEW GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

[Training and Services to End Abuse in Later Life Program](#)

Department of Justice

Office on Violence Against Women

O-OVW-2023-171468

Grants.gov Deadline: February 28, 2023

JustGrants Deadline: March 02, 2023

The Training and Services to End Abuse in Later Life Program (Abuse in Later Life Program) (CFDA # 16.528) supports a comprehensive approach to addressing abuse in later life, including domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, neglect, abandonment, economic abuse, or willful harm committed against victims who are 50 years of age or older (hereinafter "older victims").

[Grants to Expand Substance Use Disorder Treatment Capacity in Adult and Family Treatment Drug Courts](#)

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

TI-23-007

Deadline: March 6, 2023

The purpose of this program is to expand substance use disorder (SUD) treatment and recovery support services in existing drug courts. The program recognizes the need for treatment instead of incarceration for individuals with SUDs. These awards provide a continuum of care, including prevention, harm reduction, treatment, and recovery services, for individuals with SUD involved with the courts.

[Training and Services to End Violence and Abuse Against Individuals with Disabilities and Deaf People Program Solicitation](#)

Department of Justice

Office on Violence Against Women

O-OVW-2023-171472

Grants.gov Deadline: March 06, 2023

JustGrants Deadline: March 09, 2023

The purpose of the program is to provide training, consultation, and information on domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, sexual assault, and abuse by caregivers against individuals with disabilities and Deaf people and to enhance direct services to such individuals. Disability Grant Program funds are used to establish and strengthen multidisciplinary collaborative relationships; increase organizational capacity to provide accessible, safe, and effective services to individuals with disabilities and Deaf individuals who are victims of violence and abuse; identify needs within the grantee's organization and/or service area; and develop a plan to address those identified needs that builds a strong foundation for future work.

[Best Practices to Strengthen Family Support in Child Maltreatment Reporting and Prevention](#)

Department of Health and Human Services

Administration for Children and Families - ACYF/CB

HHS-2023-ACF-ACYF-CA-0015

Deadline: March 13, 2023

This funding will support building a national messaging campaign on how individuals can become a source of support to families in their community by acknowledging the impact of racial inequities and seeking solutions that can help mitigate child safety concerns before they rise to the level of crisis. Funding will also focus on the development of best practices for training and equipping child abuse hotline staff to navigate complex and wide-reaching needs such as understanding the distinction between poverty and willful neglect, implicit bias, addressing social and behavioral health needs, how and when to report child abuse, and providing warm hand offs to local resources whenever possible.

[Building Early Childhood-Child Welfare Partnerships to Support the Well-Being of Young Children, Families, and Caregivers](#)

Department of Health and Human Services
Administration for Children and Families - ACYF/CB
HHS-2023-ACF-ACYF-CA-0011
Deadline: March 13, 2023

Grant funding will support the development of policy, quality practice, and other strategies across systems that work to support children and families at-risk or engaged with the child welfare system. Grant recipients will implement strategies to ensure that coordination and communication between relevant partners becomes institutionalized.

[Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use Site-based Program](#)

Department of Justice
Bureau of Justice Assistance
O-BJA-2023-171527

Grants.gov Deadline: March 21, 2023
JustGrants Deadline: March 28, 2023

BJA seeks to support states, units of local government, and tribal governments to plan, develop, and implement comprehensive efforts that identify, respond to, treat, and support those impacted by the use and misuse of opioids, stimulants, and other substances.

[Improving Adult and Youth Crisis Stabilization and Community Reentry Program](#)

U.S. Department of Justice
Office of Justice Programs
Bureau of Justice Assistance
O-BJA-2023-171525

Grants.gov Deadline: March 21, 2023
JustGrants Deadline: March 28, 2023

The Second Chance Act (SCA) of 2007 (Public Law 110-199), reauthorized by the First Step Act of 2018, provides a comprehensive response to assist in the transition individuals make from prison, jail, or juvenile residential facilities to their communities so that the transition is more successful and promotes public safety. SCA and reentry-focused grant funding is designed to help communities develop and implement comprehensive and collaborative strategies that address the challenges posed by reentry and recidivism reduction

[Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program](#)

U.S. Department of Justice
Office of Justice Programs
Bureau of Justice Assistance
O-BJA-2023-171522

Grants.gov Deadline: March 21, 2023
JustGrants Deadline: March 28, 2023

BJA seeks to fund cross-system collaboration programs to reduce criminal justice (CJ) system involvement and improve outcomes for individuals with mental health disorders (MHDs) or co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders (MHSUDs) who have come into contact with the CJ system or are leaving a custodial setting.

[The Kevin and Avonte Program: Reducing Injury and Death of Missing Individuals with Dementia and Developmental Disabilities](#)

U.S. Department of Justice
Office of Justice Programs
Bureau of Justice Assistance
O-BJA-2023-171512

Grants.gov Deadline: March 21, 2023
JustGrants Deadline: March 28, 2023

This program provides funding to law enforcement and other public safety agencies to implement locative technologies that track missing individuals, and it provides funding to such agencies and partnering nonprofit organizations to develop or operate programs to prevent wandering, increase vulnerable individuals' safety, and facilitate rescues.

[Second Chance Act Pay for Success Program](#)

U.S. Department of Justice
Office of Justice Programs
Bureau of Justice Assistance
O-BJA-2023-171523

Grants.gov Deadline: March 21, 2023

JustGrants Deadline: March 28, 2023

BJA seeks to implement programming and services to enhance or implement clinical services and other evidence-based responses to improve reentry, reduce recidivism, and address the treatment and recovery needs of people with mental health, substance use, or co-occurring disorders who are currently involved in the criminal justice system or were formerly involved.

[Second Chance Act Smart Supervision Program](#)

U.S. Department of Justice
Office of Justice Programs
Bureau of Justice Assistance
O-BJA-2023-171505

Grants.gov Deadline: March 21, 2023

JustGrants Deadline: March 28, 2023

BJA provides grants to jurisdictions to improve outcomes for adults on community supervision. The Second Chance Act (SCA) of 2007 (Public Law 110-199), reauthorized by the First Step Act of 2018, provides a comprehensive response to assist in the transition individuals make from prison, jail, or juvenile residential facilities to their communities so that the transition is more successful and promotes public safety.

[Improving Substance Use Disorder Treatment and Recovery Outcomes for Adults in Reentry](#)

Department of Justice
Bureau of Justice Assistance
O-BJA-2023-171537

Grants.gov Deadline: March 28, 2023

JustGrants Deadline: April 4, 2023

With this program, BJA supports states, units of local government, tribal governments, and nonprofit organizations to establish, expand, or improve evidence-based, culturally relevant programs to address the substance use disorder (SUD) treatment and recovery support needs of people, including parents of minor children and pregnant/postpartum women, during incarceration and reentry in an effort to reduce recidivism, expand access to evidence-based treatment, promote long-term recovery, and, in the process, improve public safety and public health.

[Second Chance Act Improving Reentry Education and Employment Outcomes](#)

Department of Justice
Bureau of Justice Assistance
O-BJA-2023-171535

Grants.gov Deadline: March 28, 2023

JustGrants Deadline: April 04, 2023

This program supports corrections systems and nonprofit organizations' abilities to implement and expand education and employment programs that serve individuals during incarceration and throughout their period of reentry into the community. These programs will work to reduce recidivism, promote reentry success, and enhance employment and economic mobility prospects for incarcerated adults reentering the workforce. Programs should be focused on serving individuals during the 3-year period before their release as well as providing ongoing services throughout their reentry into the community.

[Smart Prosecution - Innovative Prosecution Solutions](#)

Department of Justice
Bureau of Justice Assistance
O-BJA-2023-171539

Grants.gov Deadline: March 28, 2023

JustGrants Deadline: April 4, 2023

BJA seeks to provide state, local, and tribal prosecutors with funding to reduce crime and increase public safety and trust in the criminal justice system. The program encourages prosecutors and agencies to use

data in the development of their strategies and projects and to develop fair, effective, cost-effective, and innovative responses to crime within their jurisdictions.

[Veterans Treatment Court Discretionary Grant Program](#)

Department of Justice

Bureau of Justice Assistance

O-BJA-2023-171536

Grants.gov Deadline: March 28, 2023

JustGrants Deadline: April 04, 2023

BJA seeks to provide financial and technical assistance to states, state courts, local courts, units of local government, and federally recognized Indian tribal governments to plan, implement, and enhance the operations of veterans' treatment courts (VTCs).

[Comprehensive Systems Integration for Adolescent and Young Adult Health](#)

Department of Health and Human Services

Health Resources and Services Administration

HRSA-23-079

Deadline: April 11, 2023

The purpose of this program is to increase the capacity of states, territories and tribal organizations to integrate systems of care, including health, school, and community systems, to promote adolescent and young adult (youth) health and well-being.

[Connect and Protect: Law Enforcement Behavioral Health Response Program](#)

Department of Justice

Bureau of Justice Assistance

O-BJA-2023-171520

Grants.gov Deadline: April 24, 2023

JustGrants Deadline: May 01, 2023

BJA seeks to fund cross-system collaboration programs that improve or enhance public safety and public health responses to and outcomes for individuals with mental health disorders (MHDs) or co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders (MHSUDs) who come in contact with law enforcement. BJA provides grant funding to help entities prepare, create, or expand comprehensive plans and then implement these collaborative projects to target preliminarily qualified individuals.

[Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention \(TVTP\)](#)

Department of Homeland Security

Department of Homeland Security - FEMA

DHS-23-TTP-132-00-01

Deadline: April 25, 2023

The Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention Grant Program provides financial assistance to eligible applicants to develop sustainable, multidisciplinary targeted violence and terrorism prevention capabilities in local communities, to pilot innovative prevention approaches, and to identify prevention best practices that can be replicated in communities across the country.

[Victims of Human Trafficking in Native Communities Demonstration \(VHT-NC\) Program](#)

Department of Health and Human Services

Administration for Children and Families-IOAS-OTIP

HHS-2023-ACF-IOAS-OTIP-TV-0046

Deadline: June 30, 2023

The VHT-NC Demonstration Program's goal is to directly fund organizations that will build, expand, and sustain organizational and community capacity to deliver services to Native American (i.e., American Indians, Alaska Natives, Native Hawaiians, and/or Pacific Islanders) adults and minors who have experienced a severe form of human trafficking as defined by the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended, through the provision of direct services, assistance, and referrals. Under the VHT-NC Demonstration Program the following activities are required: 1) provision of comprehensive, culturally and linguistically responsive, case management to Native Americans who have experienced sex and labor trafficking; 2) increase identification of Native Americans who have experienced sex and labor trafficking through outreach; and 3) public awareness activities for the local community and organizations that may encounter individuals who have experienced sex and labor trafficking.

[Initiation of a Mental Health Family Navigator Model to Promote Early Access, Engagement and Coordination of Needed Mental Health Services for Children and Adolescents](#)

Department of Health and Human Services

National Institutes of Health

PAR-23-094

Applications accepted now

Deadline: July 5, 2024

Applicants are required to develop and test the navigator model's ability to promote early access, engagement, coordination and optimization of mental health treatment and services for children and adolescents as soon as symptoms are detected. Applicants are also required to identify and test components of navigator models that drive improvements in mental health care; detect and interrogate tailoring variables that optimize the 'personalized match' between the unique mental health needs of youth to the appropriate level of intensity and frequency of mental health services; and utilize emerging novel technologies to track and monitor the trajectory of clinical, functional and behavioral progress toward achieving intended services outcomes.

[NIDA Research Center of Excellence Grant Program](#)

Department of Health and Human Services

National Institutes of Health

PAR-23-076

Open Date (Earliest Submission Date): August 25, 2023

Deadline: November 18, 2025

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to provide support for research Centers that (1) conduct substance use and addiction research in any area of NIDA's mission, including the intersection of substance use/addiction and HIV, (2) foster outstanding innovative science, (3) are multidisciplinary, thematically integrated, synergistic, and (4) serve as national resource(s) to provide educational and outreach activities to relevant research communities, educational organizations, the general public, and policy makers.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

[Local Law Enforcement Crime Gun Intelligence Center Integration Initiative](#)

U.S. Department of Justice

Office of Justice Programs

Bureau of Justice Assistance

O-BJA-2023-171486

Grants.gov Deadline: February 06, 2023

JustGrants Deadline: February 13, 2023

This initiative is a partnership with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) to utilize intelligence, technology, and community engagement to swiftly identify crime guns and their sources, and effectively prosecute perpetrators. This initiative furthers the DOJ's mission by assisting state, local, and tribal law enforcement with enhancing their investigative and prosecutorial resources to address gun violence and reduce violent crime.

[YouthBuild](#)

Department of Labor

Employment and Training Administration

FOA-ETA-23-17

Deadline: February 7, 2023

YouthBuild is a community-based alternative education program for youth between the ages of 16 and 24 who left high school prior to graduation that also have other risk factors, including being an adjudicated youth, youth aging out of foster care, youth with disabilities, migrant farmworker youth, youth experiencing housing instability, and other disadvantaged youth populations.

[Justice for Families Program – Solicitation](#)

U.S. Department of Justice

Office on Violence Against Women

O-OVW-2023-171466

Grants.gov Deadline: February 13, 2023

JustGrants Deadline: February 16, 2023

The program supports the following activities for improving the capacity of courts and communities to respond to families affected by the targeted crimes: court-based and court-related programs; supervised visitation and safe exchange by and between parents; training for people who work with families in the court system; civil legal services; and the provision of resources in juvenile court matters. For additional information about this program and related performance measures, including how awards contribute to the achievement of program goals and objectives.

[Legal Assistance for Victims – Solicitation](#)

U.S. Department of Justice

Office on Violence Against Women

O-OVW-2023-171479

Grants.gov Deadline: February 21, 2023

JustGrants Deadline: February 23, 2023

This program is authorized by 34 U.S.C. § 20121. The Legal Assistance for Victims (LAV) Grant Program (CFDA 16.524) is intended to increase the availability of civil and criminal legal assistance needed to effectively aid adult and youth (ages 11 to 24) victims of domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, or sexual assault by providing funds for comprehensive direct legal services to victims in legal matters relating to or arising out of that abuse or violence.

[National Criminal History Improvement Program Supplemental Funding](#)

U.S. Department of Justice

Office of Justice Programs

Bureau of Justice Statistics

O-BJS-2023-171464

Application Grants.gov Deadline: February 21, 2023

Application JustGrants Deadline: February 28, 2023

This funding will assist state record repositories, state courts, and tribes with finding ways to make a greater share of eligible records available to NICS, including records in NCIC, criminal history record information available through the Interstate Identification Index (III), and records in the NICS Indices. Therefore, through the funded activities, BJS expects that more records (including improved quality, completeness, and timeliness) will become available in these systems.

[Legal Assistance for Victims Grant Program Expanding Legal Services Initiative - Solicitation](#)

Department of Justice

Office on Violence Against Women

O-OVW-2023-171487

Deadline: March 6, 2023

The LAV Grant Program's Expanding Legal Services Initiative (ELSI) is intended to enable eligible organizations that do not currently offer legal services to establish a program that provides legal representation to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

Organizations funded under this solicitation may be eligible for up to five years of funding, two years under this solicitation and an additional three years of noncompetitive funding, provided certain conditions are met.

[Standing Announcement for Tribal Title IV-E Plan Development Grants](#)

Department of Health and Human Services

Administration for Children and Families - ACYF/CB

HHS-2022-ACF-ACYF-CS-0079

Deadline: March 15, 2023

The purpose of this Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) is to solicit proposals for one-time grants to tribes, tribal organizations, or tribal consortia that are seeking to develop and, within 24 months of grant receipt, submit to the Department of Health and Human Services a plan to implement a title IV-E foster care, adoption assistance, and, at tribal option, guardianship assistance program. Grant funds under this NOFO may be used for the cost of developing a title IV-E plan under section 471 of the Social Security Act (the Act) to carry out a program under section 479B of the Act. The grant may be used for costs relating to the development of case planning and case review systems, foster care licensing and standards for tribal foster homes and child care facilities, quality assurance systems, court structure and procedures, data collection systems, cost allocation methodology development, financial controls and financial management processes, or any other costs attributable to meeting any other requirement necessary for approval of a title IV-E plan.

[Substance Use Prevention Effectiveness Research Among Youth and Families in the Child Welfare System](#)

Department of Health and Human Services
National Institutes of Health
RFA-DA-24-011

Deadline: March 16, 2023

The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to support effectiveness research to test interventions or services in the real world that prevent substance use, misuse, and disorders specifically among youth, caregivers (including foster parents), and families served by the child welfare system.

[Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation](#)

U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ)
O-BJA-2023-171471

Grants.gov Deadline: March 21, 2023

JustGrants Deadline: March 28, 2023

This solicitation provides federally recognized tribes and tribal consortia an opportunity to apply for funding to aid in developing a Page 1 of 56 O-BJA-2023-171471 comprehensive and coordinated approach to public safety. Many of DOJ's existing tribal government-specific programs are included in and available through this single Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation.

[AmeriCorps State and National Native Nations Planning Grants](#)

AmeriCorps
AC-08-18-22

Deadline: April 5, 2023

AmeriCorps is committed to working on a Nation-to-Nation basis with Native Nations and upholding the federal government's Tribal trust responsibility. AmeriCorps planning grants provide support to a grant recipient to develop an AmeriCorps program that will engage AmeriCorps members in implementing evidence-based interventions to solve community problems.

[AmeriCorps State and National Native Nation Grants](#)

AmeriCorps
AC-08-19-22

Deadline: April 5, 2023

AmeriCorps is committed to working on a Nation-to-Nation basis with Native Nations and upholding the federal government's Tribal trust responsibility. AmeriCorps grants are awarded to eligible organizations (See Section C. 1 Eligible Applicants) proposing to engage AmeriCorps members in interventions/practices to strengthen communities. An AmeriCorps member is an individual who engages in community service through an approved national service position. Members may receive a living allowance and other benefits while serving. Upon successful completion of their service, members earn a Segal AmeriCorps Education Award that they can use to pay for higher education expenses or apply to qualified student loans.

[Advancing Equity in Child Support](#)

Department of Health and Human Services
Administration for Children and Families - OCSE
HHS-2023-ACF-OCSE-FD-0022

Deadline: May 25, 2023

State and tribal child support agencies applying for this funding will be expected to engage with other state and tribal agencies and related entities (public assistance agencies, courts, employment programs, domestic violence organizations, fatherhood organizations, military and veterans' associations, etc.), as well as equity experts to assess current inequities in a sample of jurisdictions.

[State-Tribal Partnerships to Implement Best Practices in Indian Child Welfare](#)

Department of Health and Human Services
Administration for Children and Families - ACYF/CB
HHS-2023-ACF-ACYF-CW-0055

Deadline: June 21, 2023

These five year grants are intended to generate evidence for how best to effectively implement child welfare practices and ongoing active efforts to maintain AI/AN families by funding state and tribal

partnerships to jointly design and operate Indian child welfare best practice implementation demonstration sites.

[EDA Disaster Supplemental](#)

Department of Commerce

Economic Development Administration

EDA-2019-DISASTER

Deadline: None

EDA announces general policies and application procedures for the Disaster Supplemental NOFO.