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IN THE NEWS

[A Right-Wing Think Tank Is Trying to Bring Down the Indian Child Welfare Act. Why?](#)

Native Americans say the law protects their children. The Goldwater Institute claims it does the opposite.

The Nation - April 6, 2017

By Rebecca Clarren

Recently, the Goldwater Institute has stepped into an entirely different legal arena: an effort to dismantle a landmark law called the Indian Child Welfare Act.

[Canada: Indigenous families fight to get children in care back to their families](#)

Regina Leader-Post - May 15, 2017

Bunnie attended a workshop to learn more about how to get children out of care and back at home. The workshop, called Invest in Family, was hosted by the Lifelong Learning Centre. It was organized by the Aboriginal Family Defense League, which provides support and advocacy for parents with children in care.

[OK: Creating better opportunities for Cherokee families to foster](#)

Muskogee Phoenix - May 19, 2017

Cherokee Nation has a strong Indian Child Welfare program, and we have always emphasized the importance of protecting our children. The month of May is Foster Awareness Month nationwide, and it's important to highlight the work of our tribe's child welfare workers and so many caring Cherokee foster parents.

A tribe in crisis: The Yurok Native Americans have lived off the **Klamath River** for centuries — its salmon providing nourishment for the tribe. "But over the last 50 years, the yearly migration of salmon from the Pacific dwindled, and poverty, addiction and lawlessness gripped the reservation. Last year, a rash of suicides had pushed the tribe, California's largest and one of its poorest, into an existential crisis." Here's how they resolved to fix this crisis. [Los Angeles Times](#)

[First Non-Indian Jury Trial Conviction In Indian Country Prosecuted At Tucson, Arizona's Pascua Pascua Yaqui Tribe](#)

May 23, 2017

The first jury trial conviction of a non-Indian defendant under the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) occurred on May 9 in the Pascua Yaqui Tribe of Arizona's Tribal Court.

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<http://www.courts.ca.gov/3065.htm>

[Australia: Government urged again to adopt 1997 Stolen Children recommendations \(Includes audio\)](#)

SBS World News Radio - May 23, 2017

It's been 20 years since the landmark Bringing Them Home report was released in 1997. It brought the forced removal of Aboriginal children, and its intergenerational effects, into the public eye. At a 20th anniversary event in Canberra, the Healing Foundation released a new report, reiterating many of the original recommendations. [Report](#)

[New Scholarship on Federal Restrictions on Tribal Customary Law](#)

[Matthew L.M. Fletcher](#) | May 24, 2017

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["First Non-Indian Jury Trial Conviction In Indian Country Prosecuted At Tucson, Arizona's Pascua Yaqui Tribal Court"](#)

[Matthew L.M. Fletcher](#) | May 24, 2017

An excerpt:

"The Pascua Yaqui Tribe recognizes that its strength is family, and that the safety of victims of domestic violence must be ensured by immediate intervention. The protection of victim and defendant rights and due process are also of para"

[Michigan and Oregon Adopt Pro Hac Vice Court Rules for ICWA Cases](#)

[Kate Fort](#) | May 25, 2017

This spring both Michigan and Oregon have changed their court rules to allow out of state attorneys to appear in ICWA cases on behalf of a tribe (Michigan and Oregon) or parent or Indian custodian (Oregon). Both waive the pro hac fees, and do not require the attorneys to associate with local counsel.

Michigan's rule, MCR 8.126, is [here](#). The rule is effective September 1. Oregon's rule, UTCR 3. 170(9), is [here](#). The rule is effective August 1. In both of these cases, the rule was a result of a recommendation and work from the respective Tribal State Judicial Forums.

[US: Inside Cherokee Lawsuit to Fight Opioid Epidemic](#)

Rolling Stone Magazine - May 26, 2017

As Hembree describes it, the lawsuit is meant to work in two ways: reimbursement and discouragement. They hope the companies will reimburse them for the costs associated with a drug epidemic, including increased law enforcement costs and money they've spent on child welfare cases.

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.

[US: Tribal Nations Shift ICWA Focus During National Foster Care Month](#)

Indian Country Today - May 27, 2017

In recognition of the tireless advocacy of the many child welfare workers, foster parents, volunteers and family members who care for Native children in state custody, tribal nations have been promoting National Foster Care Month to raise awareness about the need for more Native foster homes in the United States.

[US: Accounting for Racial Bias When Applying Predictive Analytics to Child Welfare \(Opinion\)](#)

Chronicle of Social Change - May 31, 2017

Research on implicit racial bias teaches us that individual-level, subjective decision-making practices are likely to generate biased outcomes. In fact, humans' capacity to make objective, logical decisions is severely limited by a variety of systematic decision-making errors and external distractions.

[MT: Recovery On The Reservation: Montana Sisters Help Peers Stop Using Drugs \(Includes audio\)](#)

Montana Public Radio - June 06, 2017

There's a narrative about the meth epidemic in Montana that says the state tackled the problem in the 2000s yet it's back with a vengeance because of super labs and drug cartels in Mexico. Within the Fort Belknap Indian Community, though, it never really went away.

[Federal Restrictions on Tribal Customary Law: The Importance of Tribal Customary Law in Tribal Courts](#)

Concetta R. Tsosie de Haro

This article examines the adverse effects of federal case law and legislation on tribal courts and tribal courts' ability to incorporate tribal customary law. Tribal customary law is the law given to tribes by holy deities which governs tribal ways of life. It is important to maintain tribal customary law because it strengthens tribal communities' identities and cultural foundations. While Supreme Court precedent has, at different times, both restricted and promoted tribes' ability to use tribal customary law to adjudicate the cases of tribal members, federal legislation including the Major Crimes Act, the Indian Civil Rights Act, the Tribal Law and Order Act, and the Violence Against Women Act continues to restrict tribes' ability to apply customary law in tribal courts. To illustrate one way in which current federal Indian policy limits tribes' ability to use customary law, the author highlights the ways in which two-spirit tribal members are excluded and ignored by the protections established in the Violence against Women Act. As the use of tribal customary law is critical to the maintenance of tribal sovereignty, this article advocates for corrections to these legislative restrictions to promote tribal court's use of tribal customary law.

[AZ: State Supreme Court Rules Against Tribe in Girl's Adoption](#)

Associated Press - June 13, 2017

The Arizona Supreme Court has ruled in favor of a couple trying to adopt a Native American girl despite protests from a tribe over a decades-old act that aims to prevent the break-up of Native families.

Also: GRIC arguments rejected in tribal adoption dispute:

Also: [Tribes' ability to intercede in adoption cases limited, court rules](#)

[US: Heitkamp's Bipartisan Bill to Help Protect Missing & Abducted Children in Indian Country Unanimously Passes Senate Committee \(Press release\)](#)

Office of U.S. Senator Heidi Heitkamp - June 13, 2017

U.S. Senator Heidi Heitkamp (D-ND) today announced that her bipartisan bill to help boost protections for children in Indian Country unanimously passed the U.S. Senate Committee on Indian Affairs - the final step before reaching the Senate floor.

[View From the Bench: Parenting A Juvenile Justice System- A human perspective"](#)

Trial Lawyer-Winter 2017

By Chief Judge Jeremy Brave-Heart, Klamath Tribal Court

Title: [The waning of the Indian Child Welfare Act: How mediation may help save the act and preserve its original intent.](#)

Author: Wade, Alice

Source: [18 Cardozo J. Conflict Resol. 829 \(2017\)](#)

Title: Tribal Jurisdiction - A historical bargain.

Author: Fletcher, Matthew L.M.

Source: [76 Md. L. Rev. 593](#) (2017)*

Title: Untangling the court's sovereignty doctrine to allow for greater respect of tribal authority in addressing domestic violence.

Author: Oppenheimer, Lauren

Source: [76 Md. L. Rev. 847](#) (2017)*

Publications

Guardians of Tribal Tradition: Litigation in the Navajo Nation

[Litigation Journal Spring 2017 Vol. 43 No.3](#)

Paul Spruhan

The author is the assistant attorney general for the Litigation and Employment Unit at the Navajo Nation Department of Justice in Window Rock, Arizona.

At a recent annual conference of the Navajo Nation Bar Association, the Navajo Supreme Court held an oral argument. I argued for the Navajo Nation's government. The case was an appeal from a criminal conviction by the Shiprock District Court. A judge had been convicted after a bench trial of abuse of office under the Navajo Criminal Code, and he argued on appeal that the trial court erred in accepting certain testimonial evidence.

For those versed in appeals in state and federal courts, the scene would have been familiar. Three justices of the Navajo Supreme Court heard legal arguments first from the appellant and then the appellee, then a rebuttal from the appellant. The main discussion concerned what level of deference the court should give to the trial court's ruling, whether the evidence presented at trial was sufficient, and whether the facts as found met the elements defined in the statutory offense. At the end, the court took the case under advisement and stated it would issue a written opinion shortly. (The court did issue its opinion in *Navajo Nation v. Tso* on October 25, 2016, affirming the conviction. The court denied Judge Tso's motion for reconsideration on January 27, 2017.)

[Tribal Home Visiting \[Webpage\]](#)

Administration for Children and Families, Office of Early Child Development.

[A Journey Toward Strong Programs and Thriving Families: The Story of Three Tribal Home Visiting Grantees.](#)

Programmatic Assistance for Tribal Home Visiting (PATH).

[Highlights from the Tribal Home Visiting Program Report to Congress.](#)

OPRE report 2016-51

Lyon, Kate. Geary, Erin. Sparr, Mariel. Buckless, Brandie. Salvador, Melina. Morales, Julie.

James Bell Associates, Inc. 2016

[Tribal Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting: A Report to Congress.](#)

OPRE report 2015-88

Lyon, Kate. Geary, Erin. Sparr, Mariel. Buckless, Brandie. Salvador, Melina. Morales, Julie.

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[Tribal Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting: A Report to Congress. Executive Summary.](#)

OPRE report 2015-88; Executive summary

Lyon, Kate. Geary, Erin. Sparr, Mariel. Buckless, Brandie. Salvador, Melina. Morales, Julie.

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[Human Trafficking: Action Needed to Identify the Number of Native American Victims Receiving Federally-funded Services. Highlights of GAO-17-325, a Report to Congressional Requesters](#)

Highlights of GAO-17-325, a Report to Congressional Requesters
U.S. Government Accountability Office. 2017

[2016 Tribal-State Opioid Summit \[October 2016, Morton, Minnesota\]. Final Report](#)

March 9, 2017

At the Annual Summit of State and Tribal Leaders in July 2016, leaders of Minnesota’s Tribal Nations highlighted for Governor Mark Dayton and Lt. Governor Tina Smith the devastating impact of opioids on tribal communities throughout Minnesota. In response, the Dayton-Smith Administration and Minnesota’s Tribal Leaders agreed to partner on a summit focused on developing strategies and solutions to address the opioid crisis in Indian Country. The Tribal-State Opioid Summit took place on Tuesday, October 18 at Lower Sioux Indian Community in Morton, Minnesota.

[Strategies for Successfully Recruiting and Retaining Preferred- Placement Foster Homes for American Indian Children: Maintaining culture and compliance with the Indian Child Welfare Act.](#)

Killos, Lydia. Lucero, Nancy. Kauffmann, Megan. Brammer, Misty J. Freemont, Sheri. Maher, Erin. 2017

Announcements

[My Tribal Area-Data Tool](#)

The Census Bureau collects data for the American Indian and Alaska Native (AIAN) population and publishes specific counts, estimates, and statistics. My Tribal Area gives you quick and easy access to selected statistics from the [American Community Survey](#) (ACS). The ACS provides detailed demographic, social, economic, and housing statistics every year for the nation’s communities. My Tribal Area is powered by the [Census Application Programming Interface](#) (API). - See more at: <https://www.census.gov/tribal/application/#sthash.fit39aAO.dpuf>

[RESOURCE: New Vicarious Trauma Toolkit for First Responders and Victim Service Providers](#)

With the recent launch of the [Vicarious Trauma Toolkit](#) (VTT), victim service organizations now have evidence-informed tools to address the impact of vicarious trauma on their staff and volunteers.

[LGBTQ Toolkit for Tribes](#)

The Tribal Equity Toolkit 3.0: Tribal Resolutions and Codes to Support Two Spirit and LGBTQ Justice in Indian Country is the first of its kind—providing sample legal language for adapting tribal resolutions and codes to recognize the rights of all tribal citizens. A third edition of the toolkit was published with the support of a growing coalition of national organizations convened by Western States Center, [National Congress of American Indians](#), and the [Center for American Progress](#).

State Judicial Branch Online Resources

Newslinks

This is a service that the Judicial Council’s Communications Office puts together every day. If you would like to receive this service, please visit this [webpage](#).

Judicial Resources Network (JRN) and Center for Judicial Education and Research (CJER) Online

This website contains information relevant to all levels of judicial branch personnel and includes resources designed to meet education, facilities, financial, human resources, legal, special court projects, technology, and other informational needs. For more information, please contactCarolynn Bernabe at 415-865-7556 or carolynn.bernabe@jud.ca.gov.

California Dependency Online Guide (CalDOG)

This website contains dependency-related case law, legal materials, articles and other resources relevant to California attorneys, judicial officers, social workers, tribal representatives, Court Appointed Special Advocates, and other child welfare professionals. Subscriptions are free and available to professionals working in the field of juvenile dependency. [Log in or subscribe here](#).

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Upcoming Conferences

Courses for Tribal Judges 2017

The National Tribal Judicial Center
At The National Judicial College

NCJFCJ 80th Annual Conference

July 16-19, 2017

Washington, DC

The National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges (NCJFCJ) is pleased to inform you that the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) has approved the use of OVW grant funds to attend NCJFCJ's [80th Annual Conference](#) taking place on July 16-19, 2017, in Washington, D.C.

The following OVW programs have conditionally approved their grantees to attend this conference. Grantees are required to contact their OVW program specialist to get approval specific to their award and to ensure that a Grant Adjustment Notice (GAN) is issued. A GAN must be completed before grantees commit or expend any funds related to attending this conference.

- Abuse Later in Life
- ICJR (formerly Arrest)
- Justice for Families
- Rural
- Tribal Government
- Tribal Jurisdiction
- LAV

The National Forum on Criminal Justice

July 30-August 1, 2017

Long Beach, CA

Workshops will feature promising and innovative programs and strategies to address crime around the country; explore how technology can improve the administration of justice; examine research and evaluation; and highlight priority issues within the Department of Justice and available resources. Workshop sessions will showcase innovative programs and highlight how research and technology help drive good policy.

23rd National Symposium on Juvenile Services

“Improving Juvenile Services: Identifying and Promoting Quality Practice”

October 8-12, 2017

Rosen Plaza Hotel

9700 International Drive

Orlando, FL 32819

The National Symposium on Juvenile Services is a unique forum that brings together the leadership and direct care professionals from juvenile services and other human services professionals for training and the opportunity to network and share innovative program service approaches being implemented within the juvenile justice system throughout the country. We hope you will have a participatory role in shaping the agenda and future direction of our juvenile justice system. For more information or to download a [Call for Presentations](#) visit [here](#).

Native Student Travel Scholarships: Connecting STEM and Justice: International Association of Chiefs of Police Conference (IACP)

October 21-24, 2017

Philadelphia, PA

The National Institute of Justice is looking for five qualified undergrad or grad students to attend this conference, which brings together thousands of professionals from federal, state, local, and tribal organizations.

Attendance will aid you in exploring applications of your STEM training to issues of criminal justice and public safety. You will have the opportunity to interact with scientists and attend panel discussions on the most urgent issues facing communities and innovative, evidence-based solutions.

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Eligibility for Native Student Scholarships

- American Indian or Alaska Native, at least 18 years of age.
- Full-time undergrad or grad student at an eligible academic institution, in a STEM field.
- Commitment to the entire conference and travel days.

Logistics

Funding includes registration, airfare, lodging, ground transportation, baggage, meals, and incidental expenses. You would fly from your home airport to Philadelphia on October 20, 2017, and return on October 25, 2017. Decision notices will be sent to all applicants by August 30, 2017.

Application

Please submit the following items to NIJ_STEM@ojp.usdoj.gov by **June 30, 2017**:

- [Completed application form \(see page 2\)](#).
- Verification of current enrollment and standing.
- Transcripts (unofficial accepted).
- Resume or Curriculum Vitae.
- Statement of Interest in public safety and/or criminal justice.
- Academic Advisor's Statement of Support.

For more information on this opportunity, email us at NIJ_STEM@ojp.usdoj.gov.

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

[Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs Funding Opportunities](#)

[Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance Department of Health and Human Services](#)

The Administration for Children and Families, Administration for Native Americans provides funds for community-based projects for the Native Language Preservation and Maintenance program. The Native Language Preservation and Maintenance program provides funding for projects to support assessments of the status of the native languages in an established community, as well as the planning, designing, restoration, and implementing of native language curriculum and education projects to support a community's language preservation goals.

[State and Tribal Grant Programs](#)

The Children's Bureau provides matching funds to states, tribes, and communities to help them operate every aspect of their child welfare systems, including child maltreatment prevention, adoption, and information systems.

[Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance](#)

Deadline: June 22, 2017

The Administration for Children and Families, Administration for Native Americans announces the availability of funds for community-based projects for the Native Language Preservation and Maintenance program. The Native Language Preservation and Maintenance program provides funding for projects to support assessments of the status of the native languages in an established community, as well as the planning, designing, restoration, and implementing of native language curriculum and education projects to support a community's language preservation goals. Native American communities include American Indian tribes (federally-recognized and non-federally recognized), Native Hawaiians, Alaskan Natives, and Native American Pacific Islanders.

[Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance-Esther Martinez Immersion](#)

Deadline: June 22, 2017

The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Administration for Native Americans (ANA) announces the availability of Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 funds for community-based projects for the Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance - Esther Martinez Immersion. The Esther Martinez Immersion provides funding to support three-year projects being implemented by Native American Language Nests and Survival Schools in accordance with Pub. L. 109-394. Native American communities include American Indian tribes (federally-recognized and non-federally recognized), Native Hawaiians, Alaskan Natives, and Native American Pacific Islanders.

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[Social and Economic Development Strategies –SEDS](#)

Deadline: June 22, 2017

The Administration for Native Americans (ANA), within the Administration for Children and Families (ACF), announces the availability of Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 funds for new community-based projects under the ANA Social and Economic Development Strategies (SEDS) program. This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is focused on community-driven projects designed to grow local economies, strengthen Native American families, including the preservation of Native American cultures, and decrease the high rate of current challenges caused by the lack of community-based businesses, and social and economic infrastructure in Native American communities. Native American communities include American Indian tribes (federally-recognized and non-federally recognized), Native Hawaiians, Alaskan Natives, and Native American Pacific Islanders.

[Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program \(THSGP\)](#)

Deadline: June 22, 2017

The THSGP plays an important role in the implementation of the National Preparedness System by supporting the building, sustainment, and delivery of core capabilities essential to achieving the National Preparedness Goal (the Goal) of a secure and resilient Nation. Delivering core capabilities requires the combined effort of the whole community, rather than the exclusive effort of any single organization or level of government. The THSGP's allowable costs support efforts to build and sustain core capabilities across the Prevention, Protection, Mitigation, Response, and Recovery mission areas described in the Goal. The THSGP supports the Quadrennial Homeland Security Review Mission to Strengthen National Preparedness and Resilience. To Apply Please Contact: ndgrants@fema.dhs.gov

[Commercial Motor Vehicle Operator Safety Training Grant Program](#)

Deadline: June 23, 2017

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) announces the Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 CMVOST grant program Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) to solicit applications from organizations that provide CMV operator training, including accredited public or private colleges, universities, vocational-technical schools, post-secondary educational institutions, truck driver training schools, associations, and State and local governments, including Federally-recognized Native American Tribal governments that support CMVOST activities. The CMVOST grant is a nationwide Federal financial assistance program intended to reduce the severity and number of crashes on U.S. roads involving CMV by training operators and future operators in the safe use of such vehicles.

[National Center for Benefits Outreach & Enrollment](#)

Deadline: June 23, 2017

This competitive funding opportunity will be for one cooperative agreement to fund the National Center for Benefits Outreach and Enrollment (NCBOE) which will provide technical assistance to States, AAAs, and other community service providers to provide outreach and benefits enrollment assistance, particularly to older individuals with greatest economic need, for Federal and state programs. The NCBOE was established in 2006 when Congress amended the Older Americans Act with language directing AoA (now part of ACL) to work with an experienced entity to: (i) maintain and update web-based decision support and enrollment tools and integrated, person-centered systems designed to inform older individuals about the full range of benefits for which the individuals are eligible; (ii) utilize cost-effective strategies to find older individuals with greatest economic need and enroll the individual in the programs for which they are qualified; (iii) create and support efforts for Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRCs), and other public and private state and community-based organizations, including faith-based organizations and coalitions, to serve as benefit enrollment centers for the programs; (iv) develop and maintain an information clearinghouse on best practices and cost-effective methods for finding and enrolling older individuals with greatest economic need; and (v) provide training and technical assistance on effective outreach, screening, enrollment and follow-up strategies. In addition, the NCBOE grantee is expected to coordinate efforts to inform older Americans and beneficiaries with disabilities about the benefits available under Federal and state programs, with an emphasis on providing information on the Low-Income Subsidy and Medicare Savings Program benefits, and to serve as a technical assistance resource center for the MIPPA state grantees involving SHIPs, AAAs, ADRCs, and Benefits Enrollment Centers. The National Center for Benefits Outreach and Enrollment will be awarded as a single cooperative agreement with a federal share of up to \$11,000,000 per year for a total project period of up to three (3) years contingent upon availability of federal funds. **To apply, please contact: [Isaac Long](#), (202) 795-7315**

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Office of Tribal Self-Governance Negotiation Cooperative Agreement

Deadline: June 23, 2017

The purpose of this Negotiation Cooperative Agreement is to provide Tribes with resources to help defray the costs associated with preparing for and engaging in Tribal Self-Governance Program (TSGP) negotiations. TSGP negotiations are a dynamic, evolving, and Tribally-driven process that requires careful planning and preparation by both Tribal and Federal parties, including the sharing of precise, up-to-date information. Because each Tribal situation is unique, a Tribe's successful transition into the TSGP, or expansion of its current program, requires focused discussions between the Federal and Tribal negotiation teams about the Tribe's specific health care concerns and plans.

Office of Tribal Self-Governance Planning Cooperative Agreement

Deadline: June 23, 2017

The purpose of this Planning Cooperative Agreement is to provide resources to Tribes interested in entering the Tribal Self-Governance Program (TSGP) and to existing Self-Governance Tribes interested in assuming new or expanded Programs, Services, Functions, and Activities (PSFAs). Title V of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (ISDEAA) requires a Tribe or Tribal organization complete a planning phase to the satisfaction of the Tribe. The planning phase must include legal and budgetary research and internal Tribal government planning and organizational preparation relating to the administration of health care programs. See 25 U.S.C. Section 5383(d). The planning phase is critical to negotiations and helps Tribes make informed decisions about which PSFAs to assume and what organizational changes or modifications are necessary to successfully support those PSFAs. A thorough planning phase improves timeliness and efficient negotiations and ensures that the Tribe is fully prepared to assume the transfer of Indian Health Service PSFAs to the Tribal health program. A Planning Cooperative Agreement is not a prerequisite to enter the TSGP and a Tribe may use other resources to meet the planning requirement. Tribes that receive Planning Cooperative Agreements are not obligated to participate in the TSGP and may choose to delay or decline participation based on the outcome of their planning activities. This also applies to existing Self-Governance Tribes exploring the option to expand their current PSFAs or assume additional PSFAs.

Regional Innovation Strategies Program

Deadline: June 23, 2017

EDA is committed to fostering connected, innovation-centric economic sectors which support the conversion of research into products and services, businesses, and ultimately jobs through entrepreneurship. See Section 27. Funding is available for capacity-building programs that provide proof-of-concept and commercialization assistance to innovators and entrepreneurs and for operational support for organizations that provide essential early-stage funding to startups. Under the RIS Program, EDA is soliciting applications for two separate competitions: the 2017 i6 Challenge; and the 2017 Seed Fund Support (SFS) Grant competition. Applicants may, but are not required to, submit proposals for more than one competition under the RIS Program. Applicants must provide a matching share from non-Federal sources of at least 50 percent of the total project cost. See Section C.2 (p. 7) of this NOFA. **To apply, please contact:** oe@eda.gov

FY 2017 Competitive Funding Opportunity: Low or No Emission Grant

Deadline: June 26, 2017

Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO): Solicitation of Project Proposals for the Low or No Emission Program (Low-No) Program. The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) announces the availability of \$55 million of Fiscal Year 2017 funds for the purchase or lease of low or no emission vehicles as well as related equipment or facilities. Only \$31.5 million is available under the Continuing Resolution that expires on April 28, 2017. Synopses and full announcement are posted on Grants.gov site as opportunity FTA-2017-003-LowNo. Proposals must be submitted electronically through Grants.gov website by midnight EDT on 6/26/2017. Summary: The main purpose of the Low-No Program is to support the transition of the nation's transit fleet to the lowest polluting and most energy efficient transit vehicles. The Low-No Program provides funding to State and local governmental authorities for the purchase or lease of zero-emission and low-emission transit buses, including acquisition, construction, and leasing of required supporting facilities.

OJJDP FY 17 Juvenile Justice Emergency Planning Demonstration Program

Deadline: June 26, 2017

In 2009, the National Commission on Children and Disasters recommended that OJJDP assess the emergency preparedness among state, county, and local juvenile justice systems. OJJDP's assessment found that juvenile justice emergency preparedness plans predominately focused on basic continuity of operations rather than comprehensive emergency planning, response, and recovery. The specific needs of children, youth, and

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families involved in the justice system during an emergency were typically not addressed or were a low priority. In response, OJJDP collaborated with multiple federal agencies (including the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the U.S. Departments of Health and Human Services and Education) and state and local juvenile justice and emergency management practitioners to develop Emergency Planning for Juvenile Justice Residential Facilities. This guide was designed to help state, tribal, county, and local juvenile justice facilities develop emergency preparedness plans to prepare for, respond to, and recover from emergencies and restore essential services as soon as possible. The guide also focuses on how facilities can ensure that youth receive the supports and services they require during the disruptions that emergencies inevitably cause. This demonstration program will provide resources for state, tribal, local, municipal, and community organizations to develop, strengthen, and implement emergency preparedness plans for juvenile justice facilities. These plans should be based on the principles outlined in Emergency Planning for Juvenile Justice Residential Facilities and should address the specific needs of children, youth, and families involved in the justice system during an emergency.

[OVC FY 2017 Field-Generated Innovations in Addressing Elder Abuse and Financial Exploitation](#)

Deadline: June 28, 2017

The Field-Generated Innovations in Addressing Elder Abuse and Financial Exploitation Project solicitation seeks applications that are national in scope to develop or enhance promising practices, models, and programs that build the capacity of victim service and other ancillary providers in support of victims of elder abuse and financial exploitation. The ultimate aim is to enhance the provision of services and support to crime victims and ensure that victims are afforded the rights, services, and responses they are due. Innovation projects should focus on improving the capacity of the crime victims' field to provide trauma-informed, culturally competent, comprehensive services to victims of elder abuse and financial exploitation.

[National Intertribal Youth Leadership Development Initiative](#)

Deadline: June 29, 2017

The award recipient will build on the successes of the past OJJDP National Intertribal Youth Leadership Summits and the Today's Native Leaders program to further expand the types of leadership development support that OJJDP offers to tribal youth. This initiative aims to enhance tribal efforts to increase youth engagement, coordination, and action related to juvenile justice, delinquency prevention, and public safety in Indian country. The recipient will employ multiple strategies, including the development of a group of youth leaders who will have an integral role in planning and convening national and regional learning events and virtual learning opportunities to strengthen the ability of tribal youth to initiate, contribute to, and participate in culturally relevant efforts that reduce risk factors and enhance protective factors to prevent juvenile delinquency.

[Historic Preservation Fund - Tribal Historic Preservation Offices](#)

Deadline: June 30, 2017

Program to provide formula grants to Tribal Historic Preservation Offices (THPOs) for the identification, evaluation, and cultural and historic preservation of significant resources by such means as survey, education, archeology, planning and technical assistance. To assist THPOs in carrying out responsibilities as stated under 54 USC 301 et seq. (commonly known as the National Historic Preservation Act of 1996, as amended through 2006).

[Regional Partnership Grants to Increase the Well-Being of, and to Improve the Permanency Outcomes for, Children Affected by Substance Abuse in American](#)

Deadline: June 30, 2017

The purpose of this forecasted funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is to provide competitive grant funds for projects of up to 5 years, authorized by the Child and Family Services Improvement and Innovation Act (Pub. L. 112-34). This Act includes a targeted grants program (section 437(f)) that directs the Secretary of Health and Human Services to reserve funds for regional partnership grants (RPGs) to improve the well-being of children affected by substance abuse. These targeted grants will be awarded to regional partnerships that provide, through interagency collaboration and integration of programs and services and activities that are designed to increase the well-being of, improve permanency outcomes for, and enhance the safety of children who are in out-of-home placements or are at risk of entering out-of-home placements as a result of a parent's or caretaker's substance abuse. Native communities face service delivery issues that are complicated by several barriers such as, lack of early intervention for American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) communities, distances to services, and lack of access to programs and services. The goal of the program, services, and activities supported by these funds is to improve the well-being of children and families affected by parental substance abuse in AI/AN communities. Per the legislative requirements, RPGs are required to select and report on performance

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indicators and evaluation measures to increase the knowledge that can be gained from the program. Partnerships will: Use specific, well-defined, and evidence-based programs and/or promising practices that are also trauma-informed and targeted to the identified population; Conduct an evaluation that is sufficiently rigorous to contribute to the evidence base on service delivery, outcomes and costs associated with the project's chosen interventions; Participate in the national cross-site evaluation, which includes an implementation and partnership study, an outcomes study, and an impact study. PLEASE SEE ALSO FORECAST FOR REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP GRANTS TO INCREASE THE WELL-BEING OF, AND TO IMPROVE THE PERMANENCY OUTCOMES FOR, CHILDREN AFFECTED BY SUBSTANCE ABUSE.

[Second Chance Act Reentry and Mentoring Program](#)

Deadline: July 5, 2017

The Second Chance Act of 2007 (Pub. L. 110-199) provides a comprehensive response to the increasing number of incarcerated adults and juveniles who are released from prison, jail, and juvenile residential facilities and returning to communities. There are currently over 2.2 million individuals serving time in our federal and state prisons, and millions of people cycling through tribal and local jails every year. Ninety-five percent of all people incarcerated today will eventually be released and will return to communities. The coordination of reentry of members of Native American tribes is even more complex given that they can return from federal, Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), state, local, and tribal facilities. The Second Chance Act helps to ensure that the transition individuals make from prison, jail, or juvenile residential facilities to the community is successful and promotes public safety.

[National Training and Development Initiative for Foster/Adoptive Parents](#)

Deadline: July 10, 2017

The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is to award one cooperative agreement to an organization to develop a state-of-the-art foster/adoptive parent training program to include intensive preparation and development components that reflect the capacities required of successful foster/adoptive parents. This is intended to be a product that could be utilized free of charge by all states, tribes, and territories and consistently applied wherever implemented. Development of this program would include research on the common characteristics of foster/adoptive families that have succeeded in terms of well-being and stability. Common characteristics of families that are more likely to foster and/or adopt harder to place children/youth and are successful and remain committed to the relationship will be identified and integrated into the program. The program would be inclusive of developmental, training, and capacity needs of individuals/families that are interested in becoming foster parents, as well as those who would be interested in fostering with the intention to adopt. Many basic concepts would be in common for foster and adoptive parents, however, there would be particular focus for foster parents on working with birth parents around reunification efforts and for adoptive parents there would be particular focus on the common adoption issues pertinent to all types of adoption, i.e., child welfare, private domestic, and international. THE INITIAL YEAR would entail an extensive review of all current training and preparation programs and include new intervention strategies that foster/adoptive parents should be skilled in as they develop as foster and adoptive parents. The initial year would also involve the basic development of the training competencies upon which the training will be based and a preliminary selection of 6-8 pilot sites in which the curriculum will be implemented and tested. YEARS 2-5 would include the development of the curriculum from the basic competencies; implementation and testing of the curriculum in the pilot sites; refining the curriculum based on the pilot site experience; making the curriculum available to all States, Tribes, and Territories; and assisting them with integrating it into their training systems. An evaluation of the impact of the new intensive training curriculum would also be conducted. ADOPTION is most likely to be successful when the adoptive family is properly educated about the background and needs of the child placed in their care, has learned appropriate intervention strategies for the mental health, medical, emotional and behavioral challenges of the child and fully commits to embracing these challenges. Preparation services benefit the adoptive placement by strengthening the caregivers understanding of the unique needs of the child and developing their own capacities in relation to the child's needs and is able to nurture the relational permanency needed. OUTCOMES will include state-of-the-art training curricula that could be consistently applied across the nation for the development of foster and adoptive parents who will be equipped to meet the current needs of children/youth in the foster care system as well as those in private domestic and international adoptive families; and improved outcomes for children/youth in foster/adoptive families with improved capacity to meet their needs. It is anticipated that INITIAL YEAR FUNDING CEILING will be \$1,000,000 and each subsequent year funding ceiling will be \$2,000,000.

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[Family Violence Prevention and Services/Domestic Violence Shelter and Supportive Services/Grants to Native American Tribes \(including Alaska Native Villages\) and Tribal Organizations](#)

Deadline: July 10, 2017

This announcement governs the proposed award of formula grants under the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) to Native American Tribes (including Alaska Native Villages) and Tribal organizations. The purpose of these grants is to assist Tribes in efforts to increase public awareness about, and primary and secondary prevention of, family violence, domestic violence, and dating violence, and to provide immediate shelter and supportive services for victims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, and their dependents. Grantees are to be mindful that although the expenditure period for grants is a two-year period, an application is required each year to provide continuity in the provision of services.

[National Communication System for Runaway and Homeless Youth Program](#)

Deadline: July 10, 2017

The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Administration on Children, Youth and Families (ACYF), Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB) will award one cooperative agreement on a competitive basis for a period of three years to operate the Runaway and Homeless Youth National Communication System (NCS) Program. The NCS Program is a dedicated toll-free, U.S. national communication system that provides information, referral services, crisis intervention, prevention approaches, and communication services to vulnerable, at-risk, and runaway and homeless youth and their families or legal guardians. The purpose of the NCS is to a) prevent youth from running away and becoming homeless, and b) link youth with a family member or guardian, and/or an available resource that can provide and/or assist the youth in acquiring needed services. To fulfill the objectives of the legislation, the NCS must provide, among other services, a neutral and confidential channel of communication that is available on a 24-hours per day, seven days per week, basis throughout the United States so that youth contemplating running away and runaway and homeless youth may re-establish contact with their parents or legal guardians if possible. The NCS Program is also expected to work closely and collaboratively with FYSB to fulfill its mission as the federally funded communication system for runaway and homeless youth. A full description of services that will be required of the NCS grantee will be provided in the published announcement.

[Regional Partnership Grants to Increase the Well-Being of, and to Improve the Permanency Outcomes for, Children Affected by Substance Abuse in American Indian/Alaska Native Communities](#)

Deadline: July 10, 2017

The purpose of this forecasted funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is to provide competitive grant funds for projects of up to 5 years, authorized by the Child and Family Services Improvement and Innovation Act (Pub. L. 112-34). This Act includes a targeted grants program (section 437(f)) that directs the Secretary of Health and Human Services to reserve funds for regional partnership grants (RPGs) to improve the well-being of children affected by substance abuse. These targeted grants will be awarded to regional partnerships that provide, through interagency collaboration and integration of programs and services and activities that are designed to increase the well-being of, improve permanency outcomes for, and enhance the safety of children who are in out-of-home placements or are at risk of entering out-of-home placements as a result of a parent's or caretaker's substance abuse.

[State Health Insurance Assistance Program \(SHIP\) Technical Assistance \(TA\) Center Grant](#)

Deadline: July 10, 2017

The mission of the State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) is to empower, educate and assist Medicare-eligible individuals, their families and caregivers through objective outreach, counseling and training to make informed health insurance decisions that optimize their access to care and benefits. There are currently 54 active SHIP grants: one in every state, the District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. The SHIP National Technical Assistance Center serves as a centralized and significant source of information, expertise, and technical assistance for the SHIP grantee projects. With this funding opportunity, ACL is seeking applicants for a single cooperative agreement to operate the SHIP National Technical Assistance Center (The SHIP TA Center).

[Basic Center Program](#)

Deadline: July 14, 2017

The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Administration on Children, Youth and Families (ACYF), Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB) support organizations and communities that work

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every day to put an end to youth homelessness, adolescent pregnancy, and domestic violence. FYSB's Runaway and Homeless Youth (RHY) program is accepting applications for the Basic Center Program (BCP). The purpose of the BCP is to provide temporary shelter and counseling services to youth who have left home without permission of their parents or guardians, have been forced to leave home, or other homeless youth who might otherwise end up in the law enforcement or in the child welfare, mental health, or juvenile justice systems.

[Transitional Living Program and Maternity Group Homes](#)

Deadline: July 14, 2017

FYSB is forecasting a funding opportunity announcement for the TLP and for MGH for a five year project period. The TLP and MGH projects will work to implement, enhance, and/or support promising intervention strategies for the effective transition of homeless youth (for the purposes of MGH projects, homeless youth and their dependent children to sustainable living. Both projects must provide safe, stable, and appropriate shelter for up to 21 months and comprehensive services that supports the transition of homeless youth to stable living.

[Native American Child Abuse Treatment \(XA\) Program](#)

Deadline: July 17, 2017

The California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES), Victim Services and Public Safety Branch, is pleased to announce the release of the Request for Proposals (RFP) for the **Native American Child Abuse Treatment (XA) Program**. The XA Program is designed to provide one-time funding for approximately 6 projects at up to \$225,000 plus provide funding for established child abuse treatment agencies having a minimum of two years experience providing child abuse treatment services to Native American children in California. Eligible Subrecipients include community-based organizations and governmental agencies that provide direct services to victims.

The XA Program is funded through the Victims of Crime Act. Approximately \$1,500,000 is available for the subaward performance period of October 1, 2017, through June 30, 2019. To receive funding through the XA Program, the application package must be received or postmarked by July 17, 2017. **All questions regarding this RFP must be submitted in writing to Danielle Nieto, Program Specialist for Underserved Victims, at Danielle.Nieto@caloes.ca.gov.**

[Rural Housing Preservation Grant](#)

Deadline: July 17, 2017

The Rural Housing Service (RHS) announces that it is soliciting applications under its Housing Preservation Grant (HPG) program. The HPG program is a grant program which provides qualified public agencies, private nonprofit organizations, which may include but not be limited to Faith-Based and Community Organizations, and other eligible entities grant funds to assist very low- and low-income homeowners in repairing and rehabilitating their homes in rural areas. In addition, the HPG program assists rental property owners and cooperative housing complexes in repairing and rehabilitating their units if they agree to make such units available to low- and very low-income persons. This action is taken to comply with Agency regulations found in 7 CFR part 1944, subpart N, which require the Agency to announce the opening and closing dates for receipt of preapplications for HPG funds from eligible applicants. The intended effect of this Notice is to provide eligible organizations notice of these dates.

[Look Beneath the Surface Regional Anti-Trafficking Program](#)

Deadline: July 19, 2017

The Administration for Children in Families (ACF), Office of Trafficking in Persons (OTIP) is announcing funds for the Look Beneath the Surface Regional Anti-Trafficking (LBS) Program. The LBS Program will serve as a focal point in targeted geographic areas and focus on the identification and referral of foreign and/or domestic victims of severe forms of trafficking in persons as defined by the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000. Victim identification activities under the LBS Program include direct outreach to victims, anti-trafficking training and outreach to local professionals and organizations or entities that may encounter victims of trafficking, active participation in a strong multidisciplinary anti-trafficking coalition or task force, and strategic public awareness activities.

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Native Youth Initiative for Leadership, Empowerment, and Development (I-LEAD)

Deadline: July 19, 2017

The Administration for Native Americans (ANA), within the Administration for Children and Families (ACF), announces the availability of Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 funds for the Native Youth I-LEAD. This program will emphasize a comprehensive, culturally-appropriate approach to ensure that all young Native people can thrive and reach their full potential by fostering Native youth resilience, capacity building, and leadership. Native Youth I-LEAD will specifically focus on implementation of community programs that promote Native youth resiliency and foster protective factors such as connections with Native languages and Elders, positive peer groups, culturally-responsive parenting resources, models of safe sanctuary, and reconnection with traditional healing. Projects will also promote Native youth leadership development through the establishment of local models to instill confidence in Native youth of their value and potential, preparation of older youth to be role models for younger peers, and activities that foster leadership and skills-building. In addition, it is intended that Native youth must be actively involved during the planning and implementation phases of the projects to ensure that they are responsive to the needs of Native youth in the communities to be served and to ensure that youth remain engaged throughout the project period.

Community Facilities Technical Assistance and Training Grant

Deadline: July 24, 2017

The Agency will make grants to public bodies and private nonprofit corporations, (such as States, counties, cities, townships, and incorporated towns and villages, boroughs, authorities, districts, and Indian tribes on Federal and State reservations) to provide associations Technical Assistance and/or training with respect to essential community facilities programs. The Technical Assistance and/or training will assist communities, Indian Tribes, and Nonprofit Corporations to identify and plan for community facility needs that exist in their area. Once those needs have been identified, the Grantee can assist in identifying public and private resources to finance those identified community facility needs.

Rural Community Development Initiative (RCDI)

Deadline: July 25, 2017

Qualified private, nonprofit and public including tribal intermediary organizations proposing to carry out financial and technical assistance programs will be eligible to receive the funding. The Intermediary will be required to provide matching funds in an amount at least equal to the RCDI grant. The respective minimum and maximum grant amount per Intermediary is \$50,000 and \$250,000. The Intermediary must provide a program of financial and technical assistance to recipients to develop their capacity and ability to undertake projects related to housing, community facilities, or community and economic development that will support the community.

Socially Disadvantaged Groups Grant

Deadline: July 25, 2017

The Rural Business-Cooperative Service announces the availability of \$3,000,000 in competitive grant funds for the FY 2017 Socially-Disadvantaged Groups Grant (SDGG) program, formerly known as the Small Socially-Disadvantaged Producer Grant program, as authorized by section 310B (e)(11) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1932 (e)(11)). We are requesting proposals from applicants who will provide technical assistance to socially-disadvantaged groups in rural areas. The Agency is encouraging applications that direct grants to projects based in or serving census tracts with poverty rates greater than or equal to 20 percent. This emphasis will support Rural Development's (RD) mission of improving the quality of life for rural Americans and commitment to directing resources to those who most need them. Eligible applicants include Cooperatives, Groups of Cooperatives, and Cooperative Development Centers.

BLM-WY Outdoor Recreation and Wilderness Program

Deadline: July 27, 2017

This program promotes cooperative partnerships and provides public outreach, public awareness, resource investigation and protection, on the ground knowledge of the development and implementation of natural resource programs and services. This funding opportunity will provided much needed critical management of public lands resource. With the technical support of a partnership organization, project level activities such as on the ground monitoring/ investigations for over 189,000 acres of recreation resource, 577,504 acres of Wilderness Study Areas and an estimated 7 million acres of wilderness characteristic inventory will provide BLM with needed data to better service to the public need. The BLM

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needs to meet our ongoing inventorying for recreational/ wilderness data shortage, visitor use data, GIS support and public outreach. **To Apply Please Contact:** Cooperative Agreements [Edward Beckham](#) (307) 775-6313.

Innovations in Nutrition Programs and Services

Deadline: July 31, 2017

This funding opportunity is for competitive grants to be awarded under the OAA Title IV authority to increase the evidenced based knowledge base of nutrition providers, drive improved health outcomes for program recipients by promoting higher service quality, and increase program efficiency through innovative nutrition service delivery models. Funding will support innovative and promising practices that move the aging network towards evidenced based practices that enhance the quality, effectiveness of nutrition services programs or outcomes within the aging services network. Innovation can include service products that appeal to caregivers (such as web-based ordering systems and carryout food products), increased involvement of volunteers (such as retired chefs), consideration of eating habits and choice (such as variable meal times, salad bars, or more fresh fruits and vegetables), new service models (testing variations and hybrid strategies) and other innovations to better serve a generation of consumers whose needs and preferences are different. Innovation and promising practices may include the testing and publishing of positive outcomes in which nutrition programs provide a meaningful role in support of the health and long-term care of older individuals. Outcomes should focus on methods to improve collaboration with local health care entities, decrease health care costs for a specific population or decrease the incidence of the need for institutionalization among older adults. Through this program, funds may be used to help develop and test additional models or to replicate models that have already been tested in other community-based settings. **To Apply Please Contact:** [Phantane Sprowls](#), (202) 795-7443.

[National Maritime Heritage Grants 2017](#)

Deadline: August 4, 2017

National Maritime Heritage Grants for education or preservation projects are available for 2017. Funding for Maritime Heritage Grants is competitive and requires a 1-to-1 match with non-Federal assets from non-Federal sources. Project funds are disbursed from the Maritime Heritage Program directly to State Historic Preservation Offices (SHPOs), who make subgrants to applicants.

[Innovations in Nutrition Programs and Services](#)

Deadline: August 7, 2017

This funding opportunity is for competitive grants to be awarded under the OAA Title IV authority to increase the evidenced based knowledge base of nutrition providers, drive improved health outcomes for program recipients by promoting higher service quality, and increase program efficiency through innovative nutrition service delivery models. Funding will support innovative and promising practices that move the aging network towards evidenced based practices that enhance the quality, effectiveness of nutrition services programs or outcomes within the aging services network. Innovation can include service products that appeal to caregivers (such as web-based ordering systems and carryout food products), increased involvement of volunteers (such as retired chefs), consideration of eating habits and choice (such as variable meal times, salad bars, or more fresh fruits and vegetables), new service models (testing variations and hybrid strategies) and other innovations to better serve a generation of consumers whose needs and preferences are different. Innovation and promising practices may include the testing and publishing of positive outcomes in which nutrition programs provide a meaningful role in support of the health and long-term care of older individuals. Outcomes should focus on methods to improve collaboration with local health care entities, decrease health care costs for a specific population or decrease the incidence of the need for institutionalization among older adults. Through this program, funds may be used to help develop and test additional models or to replicate models that have already been tested in other community-based settings.

[Alaska Native Tribal Resource Center on Domestic Violence](#)

Deadline: August 24, 2017

The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Administration on Children, Youth and Families (ACYF), Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB) announces the availability of funds for one award under the Family Violence Prevention and Services Discretionary Grants Program to support an Alaska Native Tribal Resource Center on Domestic Violence (ANTRC). The ANTRC will offer a comprehensive array of statewide community education, training and technical assistance to Indian Tribes and tribal

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organizations, specifically designed to enhance the capacity of the Tribes (Alaska Natives) and tribal organizations to respond to family violence, domestic violence, and dating violence in a culturally sensitive and relevant manner. The ANTRC will be part of a network of National and Special Issue Resource Centers providing leadership and support to the existing programs serving victims of domestic violence and their children. ACF will apply a preference for applicants proposing to establish a resource center in the State of Alaska, and will award bonus points to such applications. **To Apply Please Contact:** [Shena Williams](#), (202) 205-5932.

[Technical Assistance to Tribes for fiscal year \(FY\) 2017](#)

Deadline: August 31, 2017

The Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation), through the Native American Affairs Technical Assistance to Tribes Program (Technical Assistance Program [TAP]), provides technical assistance to Indian tribes and tribal organizations. The TAP is intended to establish cooperative working relationships, through partnerships with Indian tribes and tribal organizations, to ensure that tribes have the opportunity to participate fully in the Reclamation Program as they develop, manage, and protect their water and related resources.

[FY 2017 Land Buy-Back Program for Tribal Nations](#)

Deadline: September 30, 2017

The Secretary of the Interior established the Land Buy-Back Program for Tribal Nations (Buy-Back Program, Program) to implement the land consolidation provisions of the Cobell Settlement Agreement, which provided \$1.9 billion to consolidate fractional land interests across Indian country. The Buy-Back Program allows interested individual owners to sell their land for immediate transfer to the recognized tribe that exercises jurisdiction. This effort will strengthen tribal sovereignty and put decision-making in the hands of the tribal government, freeing up resources that have been locked-up as land interests that have fractionated over time. The Buy-Back Program has announced 105 locations where land consolidation activities such as planning, outreach, mapping, mineral evaluations, appraisals or acquisitions are scheduled to take place through the middle of 2021. The Buy-Back Program is interested in partnering with the eligible tribes that have jurisdiction over these 105 locations, as well as any locations that may be added to the implementation schedule, to gain their direct participation in land consolidation efforts given the tribes' unique qualifications to perform land consolidation activities for their reservations.

Consequently, the Program intends to, whenever feasible and practical, enter into single source cooperative agreements with these eligible tribes to not only capitalize on their unique knowledge of their reservations but also to improve the overall effectiveness and efficiency of the Program. Eligible tribes will be given the opportunity to apply for a cooperative agreement, whenever feasible and practical, prior to the implementation of the Buy-Back Program at the location under their jurisdiction. Tribes are encouraged to contact Program staff for more information on developing the cooperative agreement application prior to submission. Tribes are not required to enter into cooperative agreements to participate in the Program. The Settlement Agreement limits the amount of funding that may be used for implementation costs associated with the Program (e.g., outreach, land research, and appraisals). This is a 10-year program. Most awards will provide funding for no longer than 1 year, and tribes are encouraged to utilize the award amount to work with existing tribal land offices and programs. Tribes are also encouraged to first review information available from the Program and to work with Program staff in the development of the cooperative agreement application.

[Access to Historical Records: Archival Projects](#)

Deadline: October 5, 2017

The National Historical Publications and Records Commission seeks projects that ensure online public discovery and use of historical records collections. All types of historical records are eligible, including documents, photographs, born-digital records, and analog audio and moving images. Projects may preserve and process historical records to:

- Create new online Finding Aids to collections
- Digitize historical records collections and make them freely available online

The NHPRC encourages organizations to actively engage the public in the work of the project.

[Public Engagement with Historical Records](#)

Deadline: October 5, 2017

The National Historical Publications and Records Commission seeks projects that encourage public engagement with historical records, including the development of new tools that enable people to engage

online. The NHPRC is looking for projects that create models and technologies that other institutions can freely adopt. In general, collaborations between archivists, documentary editors, historians, educators, and/or community-based individuals are more likely to create a competitive proposal. Projects that focus on innovative methods to introduce primary source materials and how to use them in multiple locations also are more likely to create a competitive proposal. Projects might create and develop programs to engage people in the study and use of historical records for institutional, educational or personal reasons.

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

Deadline: January 7, 2018

The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to encourage research applications to develop and test the effectiveness and implementation of family navigator models designed to promote early access, engagement and coordination of mental health treatment and services for children and adolescents who are experiencing early symptoms of mental health problems. For the purposes of this FOA, NIMH defines a family navigator model as a health care professional or paraprofessional whose role is to deploy a set of strategies designed to rapidly engage youth and families in needed treatment and services, work closely with the family and other involved treatment and service providers to optimize care and monitor the trajectory of mental health symptoms and outcomes over time. Applicants are encouraged to develop and test the navigator models ability to promote early access, engagement and coordination of mental health treatment and services for children and adolescents as soon as symptoms are detected. Of interest are navigator models that coordinate needed care strategies, determine the personalized match to the level of needed service amount, frequency and intensity, and harness novel technologies to track and monitor the trajectory of clinical, functional and behavioral progress toward achieving intended services outcomes.

[Pilot Studies to Test the Initiation of a Mental Health Family Navigator to Promote Early Access, Engagement and Coordination](#)

Deadline: January 7, 2018

The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to encourage research applications to develop and pilot test the effectiveness and implementation of family navigator models designed to promote early access, engagement and coordination of mental health treatment and services for children and adolescents who are experiencing early symptoms of mental health problems. For the purposes of this FOA, NIMH defines a family navigator model as a health care professional or paraprofessional whose role is to deploy a set of strategies designed to rapidly engage youth and families in needed treatment and services, work closely with the family and other involved treatment and service providers to optimize care and monitor the trajectory of mental health symptoms and outcomes over time. Applicants are encouraged to develop and pilot test the navigator models ability to promote early access, engagement and coordination of mental health treatment and services for children and adolescents as soon as symptoms are detected. Of interest are navigator models that coordinate needed care strategies, determine the personalized match to the level of needed service amount, frequency and intensity, and harness novel technologies to track and monitor the trajectory of clinical, functional and behavioral progress toward achieving intended services outcomes.

[Development of Psychosocial Therapeutic and Preventive Interventions for Mental Disorders](#)

Deadline: October 15, 2018

The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to support the efficient pilot testing of novel psychosocial therapeutic and preventive interventions for mental disorders in adults and children, using an experimental therapeutics approach. Under this FOA, trials must be designed so that results, whether positive or negative, will provide information of high scientific utility and will support go/no-go decisions about further development or testing of the intervention. This FOA supports the development and testing of innovative psychosocial intervention approaches where the target and/or the intervention strategy is novel. Targets might include, but are not limited to, potentially modifiable behavioral, cognitive, affective and/or interpersonal factors or processes, neural circuits or neural activity subserving specific behaviors or cognitive processes, and/or other neurobiological mechanisms associated with risk for, causation of, or maintenance of a mental disorder. Eligible psychosocial interventions strategies might include in-person or technology-assisted delivery, provided the target and/or the intervention strategy is novel. This FOA supports the development and testing of novel psychosocial interventions, as defined above, as monotherapies or as augmentations to standard treatment. Support will be provided for up to two years (R61 phase) for preliminary milestone-driven testing of the interventions impact on a target (a

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process or mechanism associated with risk for, causation, or maintenance of a clinical condition), that is, its target engagement. Contingent on meeting go/no-go milestones in the R61 phase, up to 3 years of additional support (R33 phase) may be provided for studies to replicate target engagement and relate change in the intervention target/mechanism to clinical benefit. Ultimately, this R61/R33 FOA is intended to speed the translation of emerging basic science findings of mechanisms and processes underlying mental disorders into novel interventions that can be efficiently tested for their promise in restoring function and reducing symptoms for those living with mental disorders, or for preventing mental disorders among those at risk.

[Pragmatic Research in Healthcare Settings to Improve Diabetes and Obesity Prevention and Care](#) **Deadline: November 1, 2019**

The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to encourage research applications to test innovative approaches to improve diabetes and obesity prevention and/or treatment that are adapted for implementation in healthcare settings where individuals receive their routine medical care. Research applications should be designed to test practical and sustainable strategies to improve processes of care and health outcomes for individuals with or at risk of diabetes and/or obesity. The research should also focus on approaches that can be broadly disseminated outside the specific setting where it is being tested. The goal of the research is to obtain results that will improve routine healthcare practice and inform healthcare policy for the prevention or management of these conditions. Therefore, interventions must be integrated into the existing healthcare structure and/or processes; the healthcare setting may not be used solely as a venue for recruitment.

[Improving Individual and Family Outcomes through Continuity and Coordination of Care in Hospice](#)

Deadline: January 7, 2020

This funding opportunity announcement (FOA) seeks to stimulate research that focuses on reducing negative individual and family outcomes related to unwanted transitions at the end of life and optimizing the individual and family outcomes related to high quality coordination of care of care of individuals who are enrolled in hospice. This FOA emphasizes individuals who are receiving hospice care and their family caregivers, in any setting where hospice care is provided, including their home, a relative's home, a hospice inpatient facility, an assisted living facility, a short- or long-term care facility, or a hospital.

[Reducing Health Disparities Among Minority and Underserved Children](#)

Deadline: May 7, 2020

This initiative encourages research that targets the reduction of health disparities among children. Investing in early childhood development is essential. Specific targeted areas of research include bio-behavioral studies that incorporate multiple factors that influence child health disparities such as biological (e.g., genetics, cellular, organ systems), lifestyle factors, environmental (e.g., physical and family environments) social (e.g., peers), economic, institutional, and cultural and family influences; studies that target the specific health promotion needs of children with a known health condition and/or disability; and studies that test, evaluate, translate, and disseminate health promotion prevention and interventions conducted in traditional and non-traditional settings.

[Research to Support the Reduction and Elimination of Mental Health Disparities \(Admin Supp\)](#)

Deadline: May 7, 2020

The purpose of this FOA is to support Administrative Supplements to active NIMH grants to foster research across the NIMH Strategic Objectives that target the reduction and elimination of mental health disparities by race and ethnicity, geography, and socioeconomic status in the United States. This initiative aims to generate research within the scientific scope of the parent grant that identifies mechanisms underlying disparities or differences in mental health status and/or enhances optimal delivery of mental health interventions among diverse groups.

[Methamphetamine and Suicide Prevention Initiative - Generation Indigenous \(Gen-I\) Initiative Support](#)

Deadline: None specified

The primary purpose of this Indian Health Service (IHS) grant is to focus on Methamphetamine and Suicide Prevention Initiative (MSPI) goal #6, "to promote positive American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) youth development and family engagement through the implementation of early intervention strategies to reduce risk factors for suicidal behavior and substance use." Projects will accomplish this by focusing

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specifically on MSPI Purpose Area #4: GEN-I Initiative Support. Purpose Area #4: Generation Indigenous Initiative Support The focus of Purpose Area #4 is to: 1. Implement evidence-based and practice-based approaches to build resiliency, promote positive development, and increase self-sufficiency behaviors among Native youth; 2. Promote family engagement; 3. Increase access to prevention activities for youth to prevent methamphetamine use and other substance use disorders that contribute to suicidal behaviors, in culturally appropriate ways; and 4. Hire additional behavioral health staff (i.e., licensed behavioral health providers and paraprofessionals, including but not limited to peer specialists, mental health technicians, and community health aides) specializing in child, adolescent, and family services who will be responsible for implementing the project's activities that address all the broad objectives listed. **To apply, please contact:**, Paul Gettys-Grant Systems Coordinator, (301)443-2114, [Grants Policy Office](#)

[Aidan's Red Envelope Foundation](#)

Deadline: Open

Families of a disabled child and organizations helping disabled children, can apply for grants from Aidan's Red Envelope Foundation. At this time, Aidan's Red Envelope Foundation can only consider applicant families in the Southern California area. Grant awards are limited to \$5000. Grant Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis.

[California Wellness Foundation](#)

Deadline: Open

The mission of The California Wellness Foundation is to improve the health of the people of California by making grants for health promotion, wellness education and disease prevention. Since its founding in 1992, Cal Wellness has awarded 7,690 grants totaling more than \$912 million.

[Interventions for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention in Native American Populations](#)

Deadline: Open

The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is to develop, adapt, and test the effectiveness of health promotion and disease prevention interventions in Native American (NA) populations. NA populations are exposed to considerable risk factors that significantly increase their likelihood of chronic disease, substance abuse, mental illness, oral diseases, and HIV-infection. The intervention program should be culturally appropriate and promote the adoption of healthy lifestyles, improve behaviors and social conditions and/or improve environmental conditions related to chronic diseases, the consumption of tobacco, alcohol and other drugs, mental illness, oral disease, or HIV-infection. The intervention program should be designed so that it could be sustained within the entire community within existing resources, and, if successful, disseminated in other Native American communities. The long-term goal of this FOA is to reduce mortality and morbidity in NA communities.

[Lannan Indigenous Communities Program](#)

Deadline: Open

The Indigenous Communities Program (ICP) supports the resolve of Native Americans to renew their communities through their own institutions and traditions. Funding priority is given to rural indigenous projects that are consistent with traditional values in the areas of education, Native cultures, the revival and preservation of languages, legal rights, and environmental protection. At this time the foundation only accepts new grant requests from United States federally recognized tribes or Native controlled 501(c)(3) organizations whose work is solely focused in the United States.

[Surdna Foundation- Teens' Artistic and Cultural Advancement](#)

Deadline: Open

This foundation seeks organizations that have a proven and longstanding commitment to serving teens and that emphasize skill building. This funding is designed to:

- Provide high quality arts training that integrate life skills. These skills include: written and oral communication, problem-solving, critical thinking, and leadership development;
- Encourage teens to connect to their cultural identity through art-making;
- Provide young people with a well-developed, sequential curriculum that meets the increasing skills of participants;
- Foster strong mentoring opportunities for artists with teens;
- Employ accomplished faculty and guest artists who engage teens in art forms that reflect their cultural interests and community;
- Use research and evaluation tools to track the progress of teens' success over time;

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- Share best practices in regards to training and evaluation in order to strengthen the field of youth arts training.

[Tribal Justice Support Directorate](#)

Deadline: Open

Tribal Justice Support provides funding guidance, technical support, and advisory services to tribal courts and the Courts of Indian Offenses. This includes providing funding to tribal courts, training directed to specific needs of tribal court personnel, promoting cooperation and coordination among tribal justice systems and Federal and state judiciary systems, and providing oversight for the continuing operations for the Courts of Indian Offenses. The Division also works with tribes to conduct tribal court reviews which are conducted using a modified model of the Tribal Court Performance Standards (TCPS). The TCPS assists tribal courts in identifying existing problems and formulating strategies for improvement of tribal courts and provides an outcome-oriented conceptual framework of tribal court performance areas, standards, and measures.