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[American Indian Prisoner Religious Freedom 9th Cir. Appeal](#)

Turtle Talk - January 23, 2018

By Sarah M Donnelly

Introduction in Appellants Brief: In order to build a new medical facility, officials at California State Prison, Los Angeles County, had to relocate one of the prison's Native American sweat lodges. When they designated a new site on a recreational yard for the exclusive use of Native American religious ceremonies, Appellee Andrew L. "Kicking Horse" McCarter claimed that the site was "unacceptable," because sweat lodge ceremonies might be interrupted by other inmates' recreational activities. Despite the fact that statewide prison policy provides protection for such religious sites, Mr. McCarter refused to try to use the designated site, and instead sued prison officials for monetary damages and injunctive relief.

[Two tribes bring in women for top positions in their court systems](#)

Indianz.com - January 25, 2018

[New San Manuel Tribal Court Chief Judge sworn in](#)

Highland Community News - January 25, 2018

[AZ: Mom Says She's Fostered 10,000 Navajo Children \(Includes audio\)](#)

Fronteras - January 30, 2018

Vallis Martinez has lost count of how many foster children she's cared for on the Navajo Nation. She said it could be as many as 10,000. And the Navajo Department of Family Services wishes there were more like her, because the demand for safe foster homes is so high. The tribe places about 2,400 kids a year with relatives or foster parents.

[Canada: & Australia: Reconciliation process: What can Canada learn from Australia?](#)

UC Observer – February 2018

[CO: Colorado Court of Appeals: Written Advisement Form Does Not Satisfy ICWA Notice Requirements](#)

Legal Connection - February 06, 2018

The Department contended that mother's signing of a written advisement of her rights, which included a question about the ICWA, served as the court's initial inquiry. The inquiry should be made on the record. Regardless, the Court of Appeals found that the Department failed to send notice to the appropriate tribes when mother identified a reason to believe the children were Indian children.

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[Inside the Native American Foster Care Crisis Tearing Families Apart](#) **Vice.com – February 7, 2018**

A shortage of Native foster families has led to pain, lawsuits, and echoes of a painful history.

[At 40, ICWA May Be Facing Its Biggest Legal Hurdle](#)

Law 360 – February 9, 2018

By Andrew Westny

The Indian Child Welfare Act has proved to be a powerful tool to keep Native American children with tribal families since it was enacted in 1978, but a recent suit by Texas, Louisiana and Indiana might be the sternest challenge yet to the constitutionality of the law.

[Domestic Violence Called 'Latest Battleground' in Tribal Justice](#) **The Crime Report - February 9, 2018**

[Court Hears Tribal Challenge to South Dakota Child Removals](#) **Washington Post - February 13, 2018**

A lawyer representing two American Indian Tribes urged a federal appeals court Tuesday to keep in place the changes a judge ordered for a South Dakota's county system of removing children from homes in endangerment cases. Oral arguments [here](#).

[MN: Judge's Ruling in Custody Battle Leads to Child's Abrupt Goodbye with Foster Parents \(Includes video\)](#)

KSTP - February 13, 2018

Whether the Indian Child Welfare Act applies is at the center of the legal custody fight. The ICWA is supposed to help Native American children find foster families in Native American Communities. But there aren't enough qualified foster homes for some of the 2,000 foster children who need them.

[US: 8th Circuit ICWA Arguments Focus On Liability \(Includes audio\)](#) **SDPB - February 13, 2018**

Five years ago tribes and parents sued state and county officials in Pennington County for violating the Indian Child Welfare Act, or ICWA. On Tuesday, Feb. 13, the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals heard arguments from those officials' lawyers, who say their clients should not have been sued because they didn't create the questioned policies. The officials are appealing a federal judge's decision that forced changes in the way emergency hearings are held in child custody cases. SDPB's Victoria Wicks has this report.

Also: [Court hears tribal challenge to South Dakota child removals](#)

[Ninth Circuit Briefing in A.D. v. Washburn \(Tahsuda\)\(Goldwater Case\)](#)

Turtle Talk - February 13, 2018

by Kate Fort

This is the appeal of the dismissal of the case in the federal District of Arizona purporting to represent all Native children in foster care in Arizona and their non-Indian foster parents or adoptive placements. The Goldwater Institute appealed the dismissal of the Ninth Circuit.

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.

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[AK: State begins transfer of child welfare services to tribal communities](#)

Peninsula Clarion - February 14, 2018

The Office of Children's Services and tribal governments are taking the first steps to implement an agreement that transfers control of welfare services for Alaska Native children from the state to a group of 18 tribal governments and organizations.

[Understanding ICWA and Adoption](#)

Adoption Triad – February 20, 2018

[Agreement to Address Discrimination Against Native Students](#)

National Center For Youth Law - February 2018

The Loleta Union Elementary School District has entered into a Voluntary Resolution Agreement with U.S. Department of Education. The agreement follows an investigation by the Department's Office for Civil Rights (OCR) into complaints that the Loleta Union Elementary School District was discriminating against Native students on the basis of race. The Wiyot Tribe filed the [complaint](#) in December of 2013 and was represented by NCYL, ACLU of Northern California, and California Indian Legal Services. The OCR investigation found substantial evidence that the district had created a hostile environment for Native American students, disciplined Native students more harshly than other students, and failed to provide legally mandated services for students with disabilities. The complaint also charged the district with failing to pursue much-needed funding opportunities targeted to districts with significant Native populations.

[US: On the Navajo Nation, Foster Care Families Are In Short Supply \(Includes audio\)](#)

National Public Radio (NPR) - February 27, 2018

Foster care families are in short supply on the Navajo Nation. About 1,200 children on the reservation cycle through foster care in the course of a year, but there are only 26 licensed foster homes. "There are so many kids and the system cannot keep up," said Elsie Elthie, a foster home licensing specialist on the Navajo Nation. "It used to be just alcohol, and then about 15 years ago I started hearing about meth. And that has completely destroyed families."

[MN: Native Legislators in Minnesota Call For Task Force to Stop Violence Against Indigenous Women](#)

Indian Country Today Media Network - March 02, 2018

Representative Mary Kunesch-Podein called for a Governor's task force to exclusively address the endemic crisis of missing and murdered Native women in Minnesota.

[Rosario: Grandmothers on front lines of opiate crisis need to be heard and helped](#)

TwinCities.com Pioneer Press - March 3, 2018

By Ruben Rosario

[US: Indian Child Welfare Act under conservative fire \(Commentary\)](#)

High Country News - March 06, 2018

Now, a conservative Arizona think tank, the Goldwater Institute, is pushing hard to destroy some of the main parts of The Indian Child Welfare Act. It claims that the law is "race-based," and therefore unconstitutional, and that it deprives non-Indian people of the chance to adopt Indian children. ICWA has survived numerous such challenges over the years, but with a president who has shown little support for Native Americans, this effort might finally topple it. Also: [Information Gateway resource: Indian Child Welfare Act \(ICWA\)](#)

[Legislation ensures Michigan tribes have access to state child protection records](#)

UpMatters.com – March 7, 2018

[MI: Snyder signs legislation ensuring tribes get child records](#)

Sault News - March 08, 2018

Michigan's federally recognized Native American tribes will now have access to certain state Children's Protective Services records related to a child within their tribe under legislation signed by Gov. Rick Snyder. Senate Bill 616, sponsored by state Sen. Judy Emmons, amends the Child Protection Law to allow representatives of federally recognized Native American tribes located within Michigan to obtain confidential Children's Protective Services records about a young tribal member.

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[Bill to Allow Tribes Access to Information Needed for Active Efforts in Passes in Michigan](#)

Turtle Talk – March 8, 2018

By Kate Fort

Here is [SB 616](#). Here is the [press release](#). Here is some [news coverage](#).

This bill was driven entirely by the tribes in Michigan--especially the in-house ICWA attorneys and tribal social workers who have been expressing concern with not getting enough information to ensure a family is receiving active efforts prior to a foster care placement

[MI: Bill to get CPS records for Native American tribal children signed into law](#)

Morning Sun News - March 12, 2018

Native American tribes across Michigan will soon have access to certain state child protection records for children in tribes. Specifically, the legislation amends the Child Protection Law to require that certain confidential records related to a child who is a member of a tribe be made available to a tribal representative or agency acting on behalf of that child or his or her parent or custodian.

[US: Graham Lee Brewer: Attacks on Indian Child Welfare Act are real \(Opinion\)](#)

High Country News - March 13, 2018

The Goldwater Institute, a right-wing advocacy group with ties to the Koch brothers, argues the law, which only allows Native children to live with non-Native foster parents if a tribal family is not available, is a form of racial segregation. That position runs counter to the common understanding of the law, as espoused by the Native American Journalists Association (of which I am a board member).

Publications

[Relative Placement in Child Protection Cases: A Judicial Perspective](#)

Published March 2010

By Judge Leonard Edwards

[Implementing and Defending the Indian Child Welfare Act Through Revised State Requirements.](#)

Author(s): Turner, Caroline M.

Published: 2016

Journal Name: Columbia Journal of Law and Social Problems v. 49, 4, Summer 2016, p. 501-549

Available from: Columbia Journal of Law and Social Problems

[Columbia University](#)

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New York, NY 10027

Abstract: The Indian Child Welfare Act, enacted in 1978, was designed to protect Indian children and enhance the stability of Indian tribes and families. It sets forth minimum federal standards applicable in proceedings involving the termination of parental rights, pre-adoption placement, and adoption placement. From its inception, there has been resistance to the Act's provisions, and opponents now have increased incentive to oppose the legislation on constitutional and other grounds in light of a recent U.S. Supreme Court decision. But the Obama Administration has taken important steps to promote increased and uniform compliance and address a number of lingering implementation issues. The issuances by the Department of the Interior of non-binding guidelines in 2015 and of legislative rules in 2016 are opportunities for states to promptly examine their current practices and standards and voluntarily adopt the guidelines and regulations as enforceable state requirements. New York State is an example of a state that has evidenced support for implementation of the Act, but in a number of respects its current requirements fall short of the federal recommendations and rules. This Note urges states, with jurisdictions such as New York taking a leadership role, to act now to adopt the guidelines and regulations. Doing so will conform existing state practices to best practices and federal standards and, importantly, signal a strong commitment to the Act and to the best interests of Indian children, tribes, and families. (Author abstract)

[Pathways to Tribal Title IV-E: Tribal Title IV-E Options.](#)

Published: 2017

Abstract: Intended for Native American tribes, this guide begins by explaining The Children's Bureau provides matching funds to tribal organizations, States, and territories to help them operate every aspect of their child welfare systems—from the prevention of child abuse and neglect to the support of permanent placements through adoption and subsidized guardianship. Title IV-E of the Social Security Act provides funds for tribes and States to provide foster care, transitional independent living programs for children, guardianship assistance, and

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adoption assistance for children with special needs. Information is then provided on the authority for tribal/State agreements and direct funding, the direct funding Title IV-E Program, eligibility and requirements for the accessing Title IV-E funding, the scope of the Title IV-E Program and key questions for consideration, and resources to assist Tribes interested in pursuing Title IV-E Direct Funding or with the development of a Tribal-State agreement.

[Attachment and Bonding in Indian Child Welfare.](#)

Published: 2017

Available from: [National Indian Child Welfare Association \(NICWA\)](#)

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Abstract: This brief summarizes findings from a literature review of studies published in peer-reviewed journals regarding cultural identity, mental health, and well-being benefits, as well as attachment and bonding literature to identify how current research in these fields is relevant to issues raised in child welfare decision making for American Indian children. Findings indicate there are important long-term benefits to being raised with a distinct cultural identity as American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN). The importance of considering benefits to children over the course of their lives when considering what is in their best interest is emphasized, as well as the impact of the entire psychosocial environment on psychological health promotion. Arguments against the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA), are countered with an explanation of the very specific values, culture, beliefs, and customs Native parents will have access to are not likely to be available to non-Native foster parents. It concludes the key to mental health and psychological well-being is for children to be raised in a developmental niche that gives consistent messages about values and identities. 16 references.

[The Indian Child Welfare Act and fostering youth cultural identity](#)

Author: Kathy D. LaPlante, MSW

Published: December 2017

Journal Name: Children, Youth & Family News

As a child welfare social worker, I worked in the largest county in the United States with the largest urban American Indian population in the United States. I worked in the Indian Child Welfare Unit (ICWA Unit) that provided specialized, culturally competent services to American Indian children, families and tribes from throughout the United States.

[US: Danette Mitchell: Commitment to end human trafficking must include Native Americans](#)

Reporter - January 28, 2018

When it comes to human trafficking, many of us know that traffickers seek out persons perceived to be vulnerable. Native Americans represent another vulnerable population that rarely make the front page when it comes to human trafficking.

Report: Foster Care and Human Trafficking: A State-by-State Evaluation:

[Indian Entities Recognized and Eligible to Receive Services from the United States Bureau of Indian Affairs](#)

Public Inspection Documents from Indian Affairs Bureau - January 29, 2018

[Survey of First Nations Child Welfare Agencies across Canada: Budgets, Operations, and Outputs.](#)

Institute of Fiscal Studies and Democracy. 2018

[A Guide to Compliance with the Indian Child Welfare Act.](#)

National Indian Child Welfare Association [NICWA]. 2018

[“Congressional Power and Sovereignty in Indian Affairs”](#)

[Utah Law Review \(2018 Forthcoming\)](#)

[BYU Law Research Paper No. 18-02](#)

Brigham Young University- J. Reuben Clark Law School - January 31, 2018

[Practicing Indian Law in Federal, State, and Tribal Criminal Courts and an Update on Recent Expansion of Criminal Jurisdiction Over Non-Indians](#)

James D. Diamond, University of Arizona

Criminal Justice, Volume 32, Number 4, Winter 2018

[The healing power of heritage](#)

American Psychological Association - By Heather Stringer

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For decades, substance use and suicide have plagued many American Indian and Alaska Native communities. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the suicide rate among American Indians ages 18 to 24 is nearly double the national rate. And significantly more American Indians and Alaska Natives needed treatment for alcohol or illicit drug use in the prior year than people from other ethnic groups, according to a report by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (National Survey on Drug Use and Health, November 2012).

[Traditional Jurisprudence and Protection of Our Society: A Jurisgenerative Tail](#)

By Greg Bigler

Posted: 13 Mar 2018--SSRN

This paper attempts to organize thoughts from a long period of work and life exploring some of what uniquely guides traditional Euchee and Muscogee society. My participation in traditional Euchee ceremonial life is a lens by which I view tribal, federal and human rights law and processes. By so doing I hope to begin articulating a modern traditional Indian jurisprudence and find some source(s) to aid in preservation of native society. In order to truly reform federal Indian law not only must traditional tribal jurisprudence be acknowledged, but the processes used by ceremonial people must be understood, and utilized, in a transformative effort.

[Adverse Childhood Experiences among American Indian/Alaska Native Children: The 2011-2012 National Survey of Children's Health](#)

Kenney, Mary Kay. Singh, Gopal K.

[2016 Scientifica 14 p.](#)

[10 Questions: Native American judge devotes legal career to restorative justice](#)

ABA Journal – March 2018

By Jenny B. Davis

[2017 OVW Annual Consultation Report](#)

Now Available for Viewing!

We are happy to announce the 2017 [Office on Violence Against Women Tribal Consultation](#) Annual Report is now available for viewing. Those who were in attendance during last year's Tribal Consultation should expect to receive your copies by mail soon. Links are enclosed below for both the cover letter and report.

[View the 2017 Annual Tribal Consultation Report here.](#)

[View the Cover Letter here](#)

Announcements

[Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposals, Submissions, and Approvals: Indian Child Welfare Quarterly and Annual Report](#)

Federal Register - January 26, 2018

[Tribal Justice](#) is now available to law schools, universities, colleges, high schools and other educational institutions for classroom use, as well as to museums, libraries, etc., through the distributor, [Bullfrog Films](#). Please visit: www.bullfrogfilms.com/catalog/tiso.html

Makepeace Productions is now screening [Tribal Justice](#) at conferences, law schools, workshops, and community events, often followed by Q+As with director Anne Makepeace and/or the film's featured Tribal Judges. Many of our outreach screenings also include panels with local tribal and/or state court judges, scholars, and other experts. To arrange a screening for your organization, please visit our [Outreach Page](#) or email TribalJusticeFilm@gmail.com.

[OJJDP Launches Tribal Youth Training and Technical Assistance Center Website](#)

The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) Tribal Youth Training and Technical Assistance Center has launched its new website. This website serves as a clearinghouse of culturally appropriate resources, training, and technical assistance to help OJJDP tribal grantees and federally

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recognized tribes improve, enhance, and support their juvenile justice systems. The website provides information in areas such as juvenile healing to wellness courts; tribal youth-specific prevention, intervention, and treatment programming; and tribal-state collaborations to meet the needs of American Indian/Alaska Native children exposed to violence.

"Faces of Human Trafficking" Video Series

Developed by the Office for Victims of Crime, the Faces of Human Trafficking video series and resource guide raises awareness of the seriousness of human trafficking, the many forms it takes, and the important role that everyone can play in identifying and serving victims. Videos, discussion guides, fact sheets, and posters are available.

Draft Guidance on the Native American Children's Safety Act

Turtle Talk – Posted by Kate Fort

February 12, 2018

This bill and guidance puts certain requirements on tribes, tribal courts, and tribal social service agencies regarding foster care placements and background checks.

About The NativeLove Project

Verizon has partnered with NIWRC to raise awareness and help end violence against Native youth by empowering them to redefine Native love. Our NativeLove project includes a youth video/photo challenge, posters, social media campaigns, FAQs, and teen resources and toolkits. These are offered to support and inform youth and educators about healthy relationship and to encourage dialogue in Native communities.

Polaris Project

As you may already be aware, Polaris launched an independent SMS service in March 2013 called the BeFree Textline (233733). This textline provided similar capabilities to the National Hotline, but was only available 8 hours a day based on available funding. The same BeFree SMS number (233733) will now be integrated into the National Hotline, 24 hours a day, seven days a week—and can now handle communication in Spanish. Online chatting is a completely new service and will be accessible from

NCAI Summer 2018 Legal Internship – Domestic Violence

NCAI is hiring a summer intern to assist us in our work concerning domestic violence in Indian Country. Students must have completed at least one year of law school by the start of the internship. Intern applicants must be able to serve a minimum of 16 hours per week, for a minimum of six weeks. The internship is based in our Washington, DC office. Internships are unpaid, but many schools will offer college credit or financial assistance, and some tribes may be willing to sponsor NCAI interns from their tribe. NCAI will be glad to provide information to your school or tribe to assist in securing credit or financial support for your internship. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until a candidate is selected. Applicants are encouraged to apply as soon as possible. Interested applicants should apply by emailing ereese@ncai.org a resume, law school grade sheet, writing sample, and cover letter that includes a brief explanation of your interest in the position, tribal affiliation (if any), and two references.

Tribal Domestic Violence Courts/Dockets Webpage

The Tribal Domestic Violence Courts/Dockets webpage is devoted to providing information on tribal domestic violence courts and tribal domestic dockets. It also provides information on related resources such as: non-tribal specific domestic violence courts/dockets; domestic violence resources; and other TLPI publications and resources.

Features of this site include:

- Resources that explain the benefits of developing tribal domestic violence courts and dockets
- Information on how to implement a tribal domestic violence court or docket
- Resources to educate systems and service providers on the dynamics of domestic violence in Indian country and the responsibility for the safety of victims and batterer accountability
- Information relative to using a domestic violence docket or court to exercise the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013 Special Domestic Violence Criminal Jurisdiction
- Project-specific information and resources developed by TLPI, including:
 - [Tribal Domestic Violence COURTS Fact Sheet](#)
 - [Tribal Domestic Violence DOCKETS Fact Sheet](#)

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State Judicial Branch Online Resources

Newslinks

This is a service that the Judicial Council Public Affairs 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 (CaIDOG)

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](#).

Webinars

[NCAI Webinar: Gun Purchases, Tribal Convictions, and Using the Instant Criminal Background Check System](#)

February 23, 2018 2pm (Recorded [here](#))

Identifying dangerous persons across jurisdictions can help prevent needless tragedies. Keeping firearms away from persons who are legally prohibited from purchasing firearms requires collaboration across many jurisdictions—including tribal governments. NCAI will be hosting a webinar on NICS, featuring a presentation from JoAnn Garrison, Liaison Specialist from the FBI NICS Business Unit. The webinar will provide an overview of NICS and the ten federal firearm prohibitions, and then explain how tribes can access and use NICS to protect tribal citizens from illegal gun possession. The discussion will primarily focus on the two federal prohibitions specific to domestic violence: the Misdemeanor Crime of Domestic Violence federal prohibition, 922(g)(9), and the Protection Order federal prohibition, 922(g)(8). Attendees will gain knowledge of the role they play in sharing information needed to determine if a firearm transfer is disqualified under federal law as well as highlight the importance of sharing record information on a national level.

If you have any questions, please contact: Elizabeth Reese, ereese@ncai.org

["Sovereignty of the Soul: Confronting Sexual Violence in Native America" with Sarah Deer](#)

Monday, March 26, 2018 8-9:30AM PST

Understanding the scope of sexual assaults committed against American Indians and Alaska Natives (AI/AN) within the context of intimate partner relationships and supporting timely tribal government responses can help reduce the trauma experienced by Native victim survivors of sexual assault. This webinar will focus on historical and contemporary sexual violence experienced by AI/ANs and share policy recommendations focused on the intersection of sexual assault and the related crimes of domestic violence and other related issues and limitations faced by tribal nations. The webinar aims to reduce disparities in the response to sexual assault of tribal victims by increasing awareness of the need for adequate and culturally appropriate responses to sexual assault in tribal communities.

[Blueprint for System Change: The American Indian Collaborative](#)

December 6, 2018

We will discuss how Children's Minnesota has collaborated with the American Indian community to build meaningful relationships that foster community generated solutions of health and wellbeing. The American Indian Collaborative seeks to work collectively to transform and change systems, by exploring how disparities in care, specifically institutional racism and the impacts on patience experience and health

National Criminal Justice Training Center:

[Law Enforcement and Community Response to CST and Exploitation in Indian Country](#)
[Building AMBER Alert in Indian Country](#)

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Upcoming Conferences

[UofA Indian Law Conference: “All Roads Lead to Chaco Canyon: Revitalizing Trade Between Native Nations”](#)

March 23-24, 2018
Tucson, AZ

[California Tribal Crisis Response Training](#)

March 26-28, 2018
Santa Rosa, California

Active shooters, suicide clusters, massive wildfires, and diversion of water by illegal marijuana growers are just a few of the large scale crises facing tribal communities in the past few years. Tribes in California share extensive familial, cultural and political relationships. Consequently, a crisis in one tribal community may impact surrounding tribal communities. Some California tribes have plans and emergency responders. The tribes that do not have these resources rely on non-tribal service providers who may not be aware of the nuances of tribal communities and the needs of tribal crisis victims.

[The “PL 280 Training Program for Enhanced Collaborative Law Enforcement](#)

New resource funded by the COPS Office that Strategic Applications International developed and is now available online. The “PL 280 Training Program for Enhanced Collaborative Law Enforcement” seeks to increase the knowledge and capacity of tribal and non-tribal law enforcement officers around Public Law 280 and related law enforcement issues. The training course consists of four separate modules of online training, including:

- What is Public Law 280?
- Community Policing
- Task Force Development
- Sovereignty Through Effective Law Enforcement

The four modules can be viewed at one’s convenience and total approximately two-hours of learning. For those of you that work in areas affected by PL 280 or have colleagues who may find this helpful please utilize and share at your convenience.

[Trauma, Domestic Violence & Substance Abuse: Culturally-based Healing](#)

March 28-30, 2018
Rapid City, South Dakota

Many Native people, young and old, have survived a lifetime of violence that profoundly impacts their lives in many ways. This workshop begins with a look at the root causes and layers of violence/trauma in Indian Country, and their impact, including substance abuse and domestic violence. The major focus will be on culturally-based, trauma-informed responses that facilitate the healing process for victims/survivors, and self-care for advocates and other helpers. Programming for Native youth and offenders is an inspirational part of this workshop.

[Bay Area Indian Child Welfare Act \(ICWA\) Symposium](#)

455 Golden Gate Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102
April 13, 2018 8:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

The Symposium is an event for tribal communities, service providers, attorneys, judges, juvenile probation, child welfare social work practitioners, educators, and Title IV-E students. While other parts of California have had several ICWA symposia, this is the first of its kind for the greater San Francisco Bay Area. The symposium will feature keynote speaker-Hon. Abinanti, a panel of local experts on historical trauma, an afternoon plenary featuring Mr. Stephen Pevar, JD and an array of ICWA related workshops. For additional information, please contact: Vida Castaneda at vida.castaneda@jud.ca.gov or (415)865-7874.

[Indigenous Perspective & Trauma-Informed Response to Children Exposed to Domestic Violence](#)

April 26-27, 2018
Rapid City, South Dakota

Day one of this workshop explores the historical root and cultural causes for violence against indigenous women and children to frame discussion about the dynamics of domestic violence, provides a historical and cultural foundation for respectful, trauma-informed response. Day two explores how children are affected when they see

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and hear domestic violence, addressing the following questions: How can we as advocates create comfort and protection for children in shelter and other environments? How can we act as good relatives in providing information and support to women as mothers?

[25th Annual Indian Child Welfare Act Conference Celebrating 40 Years ~ 1978 – 2018.](#)

June 4-6, 2018

Graton Rancheria Resort and Casino-Rohnert Park, CA

“Weaving Traditions to Defend, Protect & Honor Indian Children, Families and Tribes”

Hosted by the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria and Co-Sponsored by California Department of Social Services: California Tribal Families Coalition; California Indian Legal Services

[Register here](#)

2018 VAWA, PL280 and Opioid Crisis Conference

Northern Quest Resort and Casino

Airway Heights, WA

June 12-13, 2018

This training will provide stakeholders with an overview of the VAWA and its implications for state, county and tribal judiciaries and law enforcement personnel. The training will focus on implementation of VAWA and special provisions of VAWA as they relate to Indian Country. Additionally, this training will consider special jurisdictional issues that arise in Indian Country, especially when tribal lands are interspersed with non-tribal lands. The training will consider the implications of Public Law 280 and what law enforcement officers and judicial systems must know to properly comply with the law. Finally, the training will conclude with a special session on the Opioid abuse crisis that is hitting Indian Country. There is no cost to attend this conference. Lodging is available in a block of rooms reserved for this conference at Northern Quest Resort and Casino in Airway Heights, WA. Registration forms will be provided at a later date. To ensure you receive a registration form provide your email address to jbradley@kalispeltribe.com

[Women Are Sacred Conference](#)

June 26-28, 2018

Albuquerque, New Mexico

NIWRC is pleased to announce that we will be hosting the WAS Conference at the beautiful Hotel Albuquerque on June 26-28, 2018. Mark your calendars and watch our website for more details, including registration and agenda. The WAS Conference is one of the oldest and largest gatherings of advocates, survivors, tribal domestic and sexual violence programs, tribal community members, tribal leadership, law enforcement and tribal court personnel dedicated to ending violence against American Indian and Alaska Native women and children. WAS offers state of the art training opportunities designed to increase the capacity of tribal nations, tribal domestic violence and community-based programs to address violence in tribal communities. Conference presenters include emerging Indigenous leaders and experts in the movement to ending violence.

[24th National Symposium on Juvenile Services](#)

National Partnership for Juvenile Services

October 22-25, 2018

Greensboro, North Carolina

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.

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

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

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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.

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[Tribal Justice Support Directorate](#)

U.S. Department of the Interior-Office of Justice Services

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.

[Research Grants for Preventing Violence and Violence Related Injury \(R01\)](#)

Department of Health and Human Services

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - ERA

RFA-CE-18-001

Deadline: March 26, 2018

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC) is soliciting investigator-initiated research that will help expand and advance our understanding about what works to prevent violence by rigorously evaluating primary prevention strategies, programs, and policies to address specific gaps in the prevention of teen dating violence, intimate partner violence, sexual violence, and youth violence. This initiative is intended to support the evaluation of primary prevention strategies, programs or policies that target universal or selected high-risk populations (i.e., populations that have one or more risk factors that place them at heightened risk for perpetration of violence). Funds are available to conduct such studies focused on preventing the perpetration of youth violence and/or teen dating/intimate partner/sexual violence as detailed elsewhere in this announcement.

To Apply Please Contact: Marcienne Wright lxv8@cdc.gov or [Grants Policy](#)

[OVW FY 2018 Tribal Sexual Assault Services Program](#)

Department of Justice-Office on Violence Against Women

OVW-2018-14264

Deadline: March 28, 2018

The Tribal Sexual Assault Services Program provides funding directly to tribes, tribal organizations, and nonprofit tribal organizations to create, maintain, and expand sexual assault services within Indian country and Alaskan native villages.

[Tribal Court Improvement Program](#)

Department of Health and Human Services

Administration for Children and Families - ACYF/CB

HHS-2018-ACF-ACYF-CS-1348

Deadline: April 1, 2018

The Administration for Children and Families, Children's Bureau announces the availability of awards to provide tribes and tribal consortia the opportunity to compete for grants to enable tribal courts to design and implement projects and/or activities to assess, expand, or enhance the effectiveness of tribal courts and/or legal representation in cases related to child welfare, family preservation, family reunification, guardianship, and adoption. In doing this work, grantees are required to engage in and demonstrate "meaningful, ongoing collaboration" with the tribal social service agencies. Tribal Court Improvement Project (TCIP) funds may be used to: (1) Conduct assessments of how tribal courts (including courts for tribal consortia) handle child welfare proceedings; (2) Implement changes to address the results of court assessments; (3) Ensure that the safety, permanence, and well-being needs of children are met in a timely and complete manner; and (4) Continuously improve the quality of court hearings and legal representation, including engagement of parties, through training and efforts to increase substantive and procedural justice.

To Apply Please Contact: David Kelly (202) 205-8709 David.Kelly@ACF.hhs.gov

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Transitional Living Program and Maternity Group Homes

Department of Health and Human Services

Administration for Children & Families - ACYF/FYSB

HHS-2018-ACF-ACYF-CX-1352

Deadline: April 5, 2018

THE ADMINISTRATION for Children and Families, Administration on Children, Youth and Families' Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB) announces the availability of funds under the Transitional Living Program (TLP) and Maternity Group Home (MGH). The purpose of FYSB, TLP and MGH grant programs are to implement, enhance, and/or support effective strategies for successful transition to sustainable living for runaway and homeless youth ages 16 to under 22 and/or pregnant and parenting youth ages 16 to under 22 and their dependent child(ren). Both projects must provide safe, stable, and appropriate shelter for 18 months. Under extenuating circumstances, shelter stay can be extended to 21 months with comprehensive services that supports the transition of homeless youth to self-sufficiency and stable, independent living. Through the provision of shelter and an array of comprehensive services, TLP youth will realize improvements in four core outcome areas (i.e., safe and stable housing, education/employment, permanent connections, and social and emotional well-being.) GRANTS AWARDED under this announcement will have a start date of May 1, 2018 and the project period will be 41 months. The initial award will be for 17 months and run from May 1, 2018 through September 29, 2019. Applicants should not request more than \$241,660 for the initial award. In addition to the initial 17 month award, the 41 month project period will include two 12-month non-competing continuation awards of not more than \$200,000 each. The total 41 month project period should not exceed \$641,660.

Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance

Department of Health and Human Service

Administration for Children and Families – ANA

HHS-2018-ACF-ANA-NL-1342

Deadline: April 6, 2018

The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Administration for Native Americans (ANA) announces the availability of Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 funds for the Native American 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.

To Apply Please Contact: Carmelia Strickland (202) 401-6741 Carmelia.Strickland@acf.hhs.gov

Social and Economic Development Strategies -SEDS

Department of Health and Human Services

Administration for Children and Families – ANA

HHS-2018-ACF-ANA-NA-1339

Deadline: April 9, 2018

The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Administration for Native Americans (ANA) announces the availability of Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 funds for the Social and Economic Development Strategies (SEDS) program. This program 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 Court Improvement Program

Children's Bureau

HHS-2018-ACF-ACYF-CS-1348

Deadline: April 9, 2018

The Administration for Children and Families, Children's Bureau announces the availability of awards to provide tribes and tribal consortia the opportunity to compete for grants to enable tribal courts to design and implement projects and/or activities to assess, expand, or enhance the effectiveness of tribal courts and/or legal representation in cases related to child welfare, family preservation, family reunification,

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guardianship, and adoption. In doing this work, grantees are required to engage in and demonstrate "meaningful, ongoing collaboration" with the tribal social service agencies. Tribal Court Improvement Project (TCIP) funds may be used to: (1) Conduct assessments of how tribal courts (including courts for tribal consortia) handle child welfare proceedings; (2) Implement changes to address the results of court assessments; (3) Ensure that the safety, permanence, and well-being needs of children are met in a timely and complete manner; and (4) Continuously improve the quality of court hearings and legal representation, including engagement of parties, through training and efforts to increase substantive and procedural justice.

[NIJ FY18 Research and Evaluation on Violence Against Women: Sexual Violence, Intimate Partner Violence, Stalking, and Teen Dating Violence](#)

**Department of Justice-National Institute of Justice
NIJ-2018-13702**

Deadline: April 12, 2018

NIJ is interested in supporting research on the criminal justice system's responses to intimate partner violence, teen dating violence, sexual violence, and stalking, generally, and related to violence against American Indian and Alaska Native women.

[Economic Empowerment Grant](#)

California Department of Social Services-Office of Child Abuse Prevention

Deadline: April 12, 2018

The goal is to provide low-income families with financial literacy programs along with core child abuse and neglect prevention services to reduce the risk of child maltreatment. The Economic Empowerment grants provide funding for support and training in the "Your Money, Your Goals" financial empowerment toolkit developed by the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) throughout the state of California. The intent of the curriculum is to empower parents by building their ability to manage money, use financial services, and provide access to products that work for them, thus lowering financial stress and reducing the risk factors of child maltreatment.

[Community Collaborations to Strengthen Family Connections](#)

Department of Health and Human Services

Administration for Children and Families - ACYF/CB

HHS-2018-ACF-ACYF-CF-1351

Deadline: April 13, 2018

The Administration for Children and Families, Children's Bureau announces the availability of one grant to: (1) implement a multi-system approach among public and private agencies integrating community and faith-based to promote effective partnerships; (2) develop or enhance a navigator program to meet caregivers own needs and the needs of the children they are raising; (3) utilize intensive family-finding activities, including search technology, effective family engagement, collaboration with child support, and other means to identify biological family members for the target population to create a greater volume of relationships and connectedness within their families and establish permanent family placements when appropriate; and (4) implement family group decision-making (FGDM) meetings for children in the child welfare system. The project funded under this announcement will be implemented through strong collaboration between the grantee and the public child welfare agency. The successful applicant will facilitate cross collaboration and data sharing among relevant agencies, including the courts, child welfare, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), aging and family caregiver support programs, child support, fatherhood programs, education, domestic violence, mental health and substance abuse in order to better identify, assess, and service kinship caregivers and at-risk families within the child welfare system. To Apply Please Contact: Jenny (Beth) Claxon (202) 205-3398 beth.claxon@Acf.Hhs.Gov

[10.594 -- Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations Nutrition Education Grants](#)

Department of Agriculture-Food and Nutrition Service

USDA-FNS-FDD-FDPNE-FY18

Deadline: April 16, 2018

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), authorized by the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008, Public Law 110-246, authorizes the USDA Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) to award funds to Food Distribution Programs on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) to conduct nutrition education activities for FDPIR and FDPIR-eligible participants.

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[OJJDP FY 18 Juvenile Justice Emergency Planning and Demonstration Program](#)

Department of Justice

Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention

OJJDP-2018-13501

Deadline: April 16, 2018

The purpose of the Juvenile Justice Emergency Planning Demonstration Program is to support implementation of the principles outlined in the Emergency Planning for Juvenile Justice Residential Facilities by developing, improving, and/or implementing emergency planning activities for state, tribal, county, and local juvenile justice residential facilities.

[Sexual Violence Prevention Initiative](#)

U.S. Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs

Office of Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering and Tracking

OMB No. 1121-0329

Deadline: April 16, 2018

The SMART Office seeks applications for the enhancement and advancement of the Sexual Violence Prevention Initiative (SVPI). The SMART Office assists states, the District of Columbia, territories and tribal jurisdictions with developing and/or enhancing programs designed to implement the requirements of the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (SORNA), Title I of the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006, and promotes innovation and best practices in protecting the public from sexual violence. This program furthers the work of SVPI, a project designed to utilize research and practice to prevent sexual violence and improve sex offender monitoring and to inform OJP's research and grant-making efforts in this area.

[Energy Infrastructure Deployment on Tribal Lands-2018](#)

Department of Energy-Golden Field Office

DE-FOA-0001847

Deadline: April 19, 2018

The full Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is posted on the EERE eXCHANGE website at <https://eere-exchange.energy.gov>. Applications must be submitted through the EERE eXCHANGE website to be considered for award. The applicant must first register and create an account on the EERE eXCHANGE website. A User Guide for the EERE eXCHANGE can be found on the EERE website <https://eere-exchange.energy.gov/Manuals.aspx> after logging in to the system. Information on where to submit questions regarding the content of the announcement and where to submit questions regarding submission of applications is found in the full FOA posted on the EERE eXCHANGE website. DE-FOA-0001847: Energy Infrastructure Deployment on Tribal Lands – 2018 Consistent with the Administration's all of the above energy strategy and recognizing the breadth of energy resources on Tribal Lands, energy infrastructure projects sought under this FOA are fuel and technology neutral. Specifically, under this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA), DOE's Office of Indian Energy is soliciting applications from Indian Tribes, which include Alaska Native Regional Corporations and Village Corporations, and Tribal Energy Resource Development Organizations to: Install energy efficiency measures and/or energy generating system(s) for tribal building(s) (Topic Area 1); Deploy community-scale energy generating system(s) on tribal lands (Topic Area 2); and Install energy system(s) for autonomous operation (Topic Area 3).

[NIJ FY18 Communications Technologies Research and Evaluation for Law Enforcement and Corrections Applications](#)

Department of Justice-National Institute of Justice

NIJ-2018-14045

Deadline: April 23, 2018

With this solicitation, NIJ seeks proposals for communications technologies research and evaluation projects: (1) to develop practical knowledge to inform the deployment of mobile broadband communications technologies by law enforcement agencies in the United States; or (2) to identify feasible technology solutions to combat the use of contraband wireless devices in correctional facilities. This solicitation supports the U.S. Department of Justice's priorities of reducing crime, protecting officers and other public safety personnel, and reducing victimization.

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[NIJ FY18 Research and Evaluation in Corrections solicitation](#)

Department of Justice-National Institute of Justice

NIJ-2018-14023

April 23, 2018

NIJ is seeking rigorous research to evaluate promising practices and strategies that aim to promote effective management and supervision of offenders in both institutions and in the community. Specifically, NIJ is interested in receiving proposals for research and evaluation focused on:

- Reducing violence and misconduct.
- Provision of medical and mental health services.

NIJ is particularly interested in receiving proposals addressing these topics in the context of jails, community corrections, and rural and tribal correctional systems. Every correctional setting has a unique operating environment and challenges. Yet jails, community corrections, and rural and tribal correction systems have received limited empirical attention relative to the number of jurisdictions they serve and the critical functions they provide in the delivery of correctional services. The research resulting from this solicitation supports the U.S. Department of Justice's priorities to reduce violent crime and to protect police and other public safety personnel.

[TCRGP Tribal College Research Grant Program](#)

Department of Agriculture-National Institute of Food and Agriculture

USDA-NIFA-TCRGP-006534

Deadline: April 23, 2018

This program was designed to assist 1994 Land-Grant Institutions (Tribal Colleges) in building institutional research capacity through applied projects that address student educational needs and meet community, reservation or regional challenges. Awards are to be made on the basis of a competitive review process. Collaboration with 1862 or 1890 Land Grant Institutions, the USDA Agricultural Research Service (ARS), a Non-Land-Grant College of Agriculture (NLGCA), or at least one forestry school funded under the McIntire-Stennis Cooperative Forestry Research Program is a requirement. Eligible institutions may propose projects in any discipline of the food, agricultural or natural resource sciences.

[NIJ FY18 Tribal-Researcher Capacity Building Grants](#)

Department of Justice-National Institute of Justice

NIJ-2018-13840

Deadline: April 23, 2018

Through this solicitation, NIJ will provide small grants to fund applicants that wish to both (1) initiate new and innovative research projects involving federally recognized tribes (or tribally based organizations) and (2) to facilitate a new tribal-researcher investigator partnership.² Under this solicitation, grant funding may be awarded to cover costs associated with:

- Engaging and conferring with tribal nations on criminal justice research, development, testing (e.g., technology), and evaluation aimed to improve public safety in tribal communities;
- Establishing new tribal nation and tribal program partnerships and participation (e.g., technical and factual presentations to tribal leadership or governing bodies, including those requested by a tribe in connection with its process for providing its authorization (through tribal resolution or other appropriate documentation) to participate in the funded project; obtaining participatory agreements; and securing tribal Institutional Review Board (IRB) approvals);
- Developing research questions and study designs using community-based participatory research principles that involve the tribal partner in all aspects of the research process;
- Conducting pilot, feasibility, or evaluability assessment studies that may involve collecting preliminary data and/or secondary data analysis; and
- Drafting a tribal-researcher investigator criminal justice proposal for submission based on the new partnership.

[NIJ FY18 Research and Evaluation on Gangs and Gang Violence](#)

Department of Justice-National Institute of Justice

NIJ-2018-13941

Deadline: April 24, 2018

NIJ is seeking applications for research and program evaluation projects that inform efforts to reduce street gang activity and violence in the United States. NIJ will support scientifically rigorous research and evaluation projects designed to produce findings with high practical utility for gang prevention, intervention, enforcement, or reentry strategies. This solicitation supports the U.S. Department of Justice's priority to prevent and reduce crime.

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[BJA FY 18 Innovative Prosecution Solutions for Combatting Violent Crime and Illegal Opioids](#)

Department of Justice-Bureau of Justice Assistance

BJA-2018-13602

Deadline: April 24, 2018

The Innovative Prosecution Program seeks to encourage exploration of new solutions to public safety concerns, as well as internal operations and organizational structure, while employing research partners at the problem definition stage through assessment of strategies and solutions. Some creative solutions developed by prosecutors around the country include changing how their organizations prioritize cases, identifying the most violent repeat offenders, using data to develop zone/geographic prosecution, using crime analysis tools through strategies like gun stat to track reduce gun violence, developing policies to prosecute witness intimidation cases, working jointly with Parole and Probation on violations of probation, enhancing the prosecutors role in investigations of homicide cases and cyber-crime strategies to improve public safety.

[Tribal Public Health Capacity Building and Quality Improvement Umbrella Cooperative Agreement](#)

Department of Health and Human Services

Centers for Disease Control – OSTLTS

CDC-RFA-OT18-1803

Deadline: April 24, 2018

CDC announces a new cooperative agreement (CoAg) for eligible federally recognized American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) tribal nations and regional AI/AN tribally designated organizations to strengthen and improve the public health infrastructure and performance of tribal public health systems. This program's ultimate outcomes are 1) decreased morbidity and mortality among AI/ANs; 2) advanced capacity of Indian Country to identify, respond to, and mitigate public health threats; 3) improved capacity of the workforce to deliver essential public health services; 4) increased culturally-appropriate practice-based evidence programs and policies that are effective and sustainable throughout Indian Country; and 5) improved capacity to collaboratively and strategically address AI/AN health needs and advance health equity.

[NIJ FY18 Research and Evaluation on Drugs and Crime](#)

Department of Justice-National Institute of Justice

NIJ-2018-13682

Deadline: April 25, 2018

NIJ's drugs and crime portfolio supports research on law enforcement efforts to deter, investigate, prosecute, and address illegal drug trafficking, markets, and use. This FY2018 solicitation seeks investigator-initiated proposals to conduct applied research on evidence-based tools, protocols, and policies for State, local and tribal jurisdictions. The two drug priorities are: 1) opioid-related criminal investigation, prosecution, drug intelligence, and community surveillance; and 2) illegal marijuana markets and drug-related violent crime. Opioid research proposals should address narcotics law enforcement, forensic science, and/or medicolegal death investigations; and opioids include heroin, fentanyl, diverted pharmaceuticals, synthetic drugs, and analogues.

[BJA FY 18 Innovations in Community-Based Crime Reduction Program](#)

Department of Justice-Bureau of Justice Assistance

BJA-2018-13609

Deadline: April 29, 2018

BJA seeks applications for the Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Program. This program furthers the Departments mission by leading efforts to enhance the capacity of local and tribal communities to effectively target and address significant and violent crime issues through collaborative cross-sector approaches that are linked with broader neighborhood development goals. Eligible applicants are limited to states, institutions of higher education (including tribal institutions of higher education), units of local government, nonprofit organizations (including tribal nonprofit organizations), and federally recognized Indian tribal governments (as determined by the Secretary of the Interior) as fiscal agent. Through a broad cross-sector partnership team, including neighborhood residents, BCJI grantees target neighborhoods with hot spots of violent and serious crime and employ data-driven, cross-sector strategies to accomplish this goal.

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[NIJ FY18 Artificial Intelligence Technology Applied Research and Development for Law Enforcement Applications](#)

**Department of Justice-National Institute of Justice
NIJ-2018-14000**

Deadline: April 30, 2018

NIJ is seeking applications for research to apply advances in Artificial Intelligence (AI) technologies to support law enforcement in preventing, responding to, and investigating gang violence, human and drug trafficking, migrant smuggling, and/or child pornography.

[BJA FY 18 National Sexual Assault Kit Initiative \(SAKI\)](#)

**Department of Justice-Bureau of Justice Assistance
BJA-2018-13622**

Deadline: April 30, 2018

The purpose of this grant program is to provide funding to test untested sexual assault kits, prevent sexual assaults, and improve the criminal justice system's response to sexual assaults.

[2018 Empowering Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities through Chronic Disease Self-Management Education Programs Financed by the Prevention and Public Health Fund](#)

**Department of Health and Human Services-Administration for Community Living
HHS-2018-ACL-AOA-CSSG-0256**

Deadline: April 30, 2018

The Administration on Aging (AoA) within the Administration for Community Living (ACL), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) forecasts the possible availability of Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 funds to make three-year grants to approximately 10 entities to develop capacity, bring to scale, and sustain evidence-based programs that empower older adults and adults with disabilities to better manage their chronic conditions. ACL intends to compete these 10 grants via two options (both with 36-month grant periods): (A) Sustainable Systems Grants: approximately six grants of \$500,000 to \$900,000 focused on developing integrated, sustainable systems for delivering evidence-based chronic disease self-management education and self-management support programs. (B) Capacity-Building Grants: approximately four grants of \$50,000 to \$150,000 to build capacity to introduce and deliver evidence-based chronic disease self-management education and self-management support programs within underserved areas and/or populations. To Apply Please Contact: Kristie Kulinski (202) 795-7379 or kristie.kulinski@acl.hhs.gov

[Indian Highway Safety Law Enforcement Grants](#)

**Department of the Interior-Bureau of Indian Affairs
BIA-IHSP-2019-0001**

Deadline: May 1, 2018

The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Office of Justice Services (OJS), Indian Highway Safety Program (IHSP) solicits proposals for implementing traffic safety programs and projects which are designed to reduce the number of traffic crashes, deaths, injuries and property damage within these populations. Indian Highway Safety Grants are reimbursable grants available to federally recognized tribes. If you have difficulty accessing the full announcement electronically, please contact: please contact: Kimberly Belone, Program Analyst, Phone (505)563-3900.

[Indian Highway Safety Occupant Protection Grant](#)

**Department of the Interior-Bureau of Indian Affairs
BIA-IHSP-2019-0002**

Deadline: May 1, 2018

The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Office of Justice Services (OJS), Indian Highway Safety Program (IHSP) solicits proposals for implementing traffic safety programs and projects which are designed to reduce the number of traffic crashes, deaths, injuries and property damage within these populations. Indian Highway Safety Grants are reimbursable grants available to federally recognized tribes. If you have difficulty accessing the full announcement electronically, please contact: Kimberly Belone, Program Analyst, Phone (505)563-3900.

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[Preservation and Access Education and Training Grants](#)

National Endowment for the Humanities

20180501-PE

Deadline: May 1, 2018

The Preservation and Access Education and Training program supports the development of knowledge and skills among professionals responsible for preserving and establishing access to humanities collections. Thousands of libraries, archives, museums, and historical organizations across the country maintain important collections of books and manuscripts, photographs, sound recordings and moving images, archaeological and ethnographic artifacts, art and material culture collections, electronic records, and digital objects. Preservation and Access Education and Training grants are awarded to organizations that offer national or regional education and training programs that reach audiences in more than one state. Grants aim to help the staff of cultural institutions, large and small, obtain the knowledge and skills needed to serve as effective stewards of humanities collections. Grants also support educational programs that prepare the next generation of preservation professionals, as well as projects that introduce the staff of cultural institutions to new information and advances in preservation and access practices.

[BJA FY 18 Second Chance Act Comprehensive Community-Based Adult Reentry Program](#)

Department of Justice-Bureau of Justice Assistance

BJA-2018-13634

Deadline: May 1, 2018

Support community- and faith-based organizations in developing and implementing comprehensive and collaborative programs that support people who are reentering communities from incarceration who are at medium- to high-risk of reoffending, reduces recidivism, and improves public safety. Develop comprehensive case management plans that directly address criminogenic risks and needs as identified by validated criminogenic risk assessments and include delivery or facilitation of services in a manner consistent with participants' learning styles and abilities. Demonstrate increased collaboration between community- and faith-based organizations and corrections, community supervision, law enforcement, and other local reentry stakeholders.

[FY2018 AmeriCorps Indian Tribes Grants](#)

Corporation for National and Community Service

CNCS-02-02-18

Deadline: May 2, 2018

AmeriCorps grants are awarded to eligible organizations proposing to engage AmeriCorps members in evidence-based or evidence-informed interventions 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 from the National Service Trust that members can use to pay for higher education expenses or apply to qualified student loans.

[NIJ FY18 Research and Evaluation on Hate Crimes](#)

Department of Justice-National Institute of Justice

NIJ-2018-13961

Deadline: May 3, 2018

NIJ is seeking research and evaluation related to hate crime perpetration and victimization. The purpose of this solicitation is to support research and evaluation to: 1) understand the motivations and pathways to hate crime offending; 2) determine whether programs targeted at hate crime offenders are effective at reducing reoffending; 3) determine whether programs that work with victims of hate crimes and their communities are effective at reducing the harms caused by hate crimes; and 4) provide information that will improve investigative and prosecutorial outcomes. Other proposals that address research related to hate crimes will be considered.

[NIJ FY18 Programs and Services for Victims of Crime: Phased Evaluation Research](#)

Department of Justice-National Institute of Justice

NIJ-2018-14060

Deadline: May 4, 2018

NIJ is seeking applications for rigorous program evaluation of specific services for victims of crime including housing, legal assistance, and technology-based services. This solicitation is for a planning phase not to exceed a 24-month period of performance.

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[NIJ FY18 Comprehensive School Safety Initiative](#)

Department of Justice-National Institute of Justice

NIJ-2018-14140

Deadline: May 7, 2018

The Comprehensive School Safety Initiative (CSSI) funds rigorous research to produce practical knowledge that can improve the safety of students and schools. The Initiative is carried out through partnerships between researchers, educators, and other stakeholders; including law enforcement, behavioral and mental health professionals, courts, and other justice system professionals. Projects funded under the CSSI are designed to improve understanding that can be applied to schools and school districts across the nation for years to come. This solicitation includes five funding categories with different expectations and requirements to accomplish the purposes of the CSSI.

[Historic Preservation Fund Grants-in-Aid: Tribal Heritage Grants](#)

Department of the Interior-National Park Service

P18AS00081

Deadline: May 11, 2018

The National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 authorizes grants to Federally Recognized Indian tribes for cultural and historic preservation projects. These grants assist Indian Tribes, Alaskan Natives, and Native Hawaiian Organizations in protecting and promoting their unique cultural heritage and traditions.

[Community Connect Grant Program](#)

Department of Agriculture-Utilities Programs

RDRUS-CC-2018

Deadline: May 14, 2018

The Community Connect Broadband Grant Program (Community Connect Grant Program) is designed to provide financial assistance to provide service at the Broadband Grant Speed in rural, economically challenged communities where broadband service does not currently exist. Grant funds may be used to: (1) deploy service at the Broadband Grant Speed to critical community facilities, rural residents, and rural businesses, (2) construct, acquire, or expand a community center, and (3) equip a community center that provides free access to service at the Broadband Grant Speed to community residents for at least two years. Grants will be awarded on a competitive basis for entities to serve all premises in eligible rural areas at the Broadband Grant Speed to ensure rural consumers enjoy the same quality and range of broadband services as are available in urban and suburban communities.

[Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects \(DRRP\) Program: Exercise Interventions for People With Disabilities](#)

Department of Health and Human Services-Administration for Community Living

HHS-2018-ACL-NIDILRR-DPGE-0277

Deadline: May 14, 2018

The purpose of NIDILRR's Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects (DRRP), which are funded through the Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects and Centers Program, is to plan and conduct research and dissemination and utilization activities to develop methods, procedures, and rehabilitation technology that maximize the full inclusion and integration into society, employment, independent living, family support, and economic and social self-sufficiency of individuals with disabilities, especially individuals with the most severe disabilities, and to improve the effectiveness of services authorized under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (Rehabilitation Act). The purpose of this particular DRRP is to generate new knowledge about the effectiveness of exercise interventions for people with disabilities.

[NIJ FY18 Investigator-Initiated Research and Evaluation on Firearms Violence](#)

Department of Justice-National Institute of Justice

NIJ-2018-13960

Deadline: May 14, 2018

With this solicitation, NIJ seeks applications for investigator-initiated research and evaluation projects to improve understanding, prevention and deterrence of firearms violence in general and public mass shooting incidents in particular. This solicitation aims to strengthen the knowledge base and improve public safety by producing findings with practical implications. This solicitation is focused specifically on producing research related to intentional, interpersonal firearms violence.

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[Intervention Research to Improve Native American Health](#)

Department of Health and Human Services-National Institutes of Health ([NIH](#))

PAR-17-496

Deadline: May 14, 2018

The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement (FOA) from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is to encourage exploratory developmental research to improve Native American (NA) health. Such research can include: conducting secondary analysis of existing data (such as databases that the Tribal Epidemiology Centers have collected); merge various sources of data to answer critical research questions; conduct pilot and feasibility studies; and/or assess and validate measures that are being developed and/or adapted for use in NA communities. For the purposes of this FOA, the term 'Native Americans' includes the following populations: Alaska Native, American Indian, and Native Hawaiian. The term 'Native Hawaiian' means any individual whose ancestors were natives, prior to 1778, belonging to the area that now comprises the State of Hawaii. Studies should: be culturally appropriate and result in promoting the adoption of healthy lifestyles; improve behaviors and social conditions and/or improve environmental conditions related to chronic disease; prevent or reduce the consumption of tobacco, alcohol, and other drugs; improve mental health outcomes; reduce risk of HIV infection; improve treatment adherence and/or health-care systems adopting standards of care to improve overall quality of life.

[Research Grants for the Primary or Secondary Prevention of Opioid Overdose \(R01\)](#)

Department of Health and Human Services

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – ERA

RFA-CE-18-006

Deadline: May 15, 2018

The awards pursuant to this Notice of Funding Opportunity are contingent upon the availability of funds. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC) is soliciting investigator-initiated research that will help expand and advance our understanding about what works to prevent overdose from prescription and illicit opioids by developing and piloting, or rigorously evaluating novel primary or secondary prevention interventions. This research is intended to improve state and local health departments' ability to implement and improve interventions focused on preventing opioid-related deaths. Researchers are expected to develop and pilot, or rigorously evaluate novel primary or secondary prevention interventions that address prescription or illicit opioid overdose. Primary prevention approaches are expected to aim to prevent opioid misuse, abuse, and overdose before it occurs. Secondary prevention approaches are expected to focus on the more immediate responses to opioid overdose, such as emergency department services and linkage to treatment immediately following a nonfatal overdose. Clinical examinations of the treatment effectiveness for opioid use disorder are outside the scope of the objectives and will not be considered (e.g., studies that solely test the effectiveness of buprenorphine, methadone, or naltrexone). It is anticipated that funded applicants will collaborate and partner with community and/or governmental organizations from multiple sectors (e.g., health, social services, law enforcement, criminal justice) that can provide access to populations at highest risk for opioid misuse and overdose and provide access to critical data systems. Investigators must provide information in the application demonstrating that they have an established relationship with each partner and a written agreement describing each partner's role in the proposed research. If you have difficulty accessing the full announcement electronically, please contact:

Sue Neurath SFN8@cdc.gov

[NAGPRA Repatriation Grants FY2018](#)

CFDA 15.922

Deadline: June 1, 2018

This is a grant from the National Park Service, U.S. Department of the Interior. Grant funds must be used for REPATRIATION under NAGPRA, which means the transfer of control of Native American human remains and cultural items to lineal descendants, Indian tribes, and Native Hawaiian organizations. Repatriation includes disposition of culturally unidentifiable Native American human remains (CUI) according to 43 C.F.R. 10.11. Repatriation projects defray costs associated with the packaging, transportation, contamination removal, reburial, and storage of NAGPRA-related human remains and cultural items.

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

Children's Bureau

HHS-2016-ACF-ACYF-CS-1176

Deadline: June 4, 2018

The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement (FOA) 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, to submit to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) a plan to implement a title IV-E foster care, adoption assistance, and, at tribal option, guardianship assistance program. Grant funds under this FOA may be used for the cost of developing a title IV-E plan under section 471 of the Social Security Act to carry out a program under section 479B of the Social Security Act. The grant may be used for costs relating to the development of data collection systems, a cost-allocation methodology, agency and tribal court procedures necessary to meet the case review system requirements under section 475(5) of the Act, or any other costs attributable to meeting any other requirement necessary for approval of a title IV-E plan.

[Trafficking Victim Assistance Program-ACF Regions 9 and 10](#)

Department of Health and Human Services

Administration for Children and Families-IOAS-OTIP

HHS-2018-ACF-IOAS-OTIP-ZV-1371

Deadline: June 15, 2018

The Office on Trafficking in Persons (OTIP) within the Administration for Children and Families (ACF) announces that competing applications will be accepted for the Trafficking Victim Assistance Program (TVAP) in ACF regions 9 and 10. The central purpose of TVAP is to efficiently provide trauma-informed, person-centered, comprehensive case management services on a per capita basis to foreign national victims and potential victims of a severe form of trafficking in persons seeking HHS certification so they can re-establish their ability to live independently. The awarded organization must provide comprehensive case management services to qualified persons either directly or through a network of providers, that provide direct services and/or community referrals. Persons qualified for services under this grant include: a foreign national victim of a severe form of trafficking in persons who is seeking or has received HHS certification; a foreign national minor victim who is seeking or has received a letter of eligibility from OTIP; a family member in receipt of a derivative T Visa issued by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS); and a minor dependent child of a victim of a severe form of trafficking in persons or potential victim of trafficking. PLEASE NOTE: This FOA is one of the three FOA's that OTIP is issuing to provide coverage for each of the three distinct regional areas. This solicitation is for TVAP coverage of the states in ACF regions 1, 2, 3, and 5. This includes the following states: California, Arizona, Hawaii, Nevada, American Samoa, Federated States of Micronesia, Guam, Marshall Islands, Republic of Palau, Northern Mariana Islands, Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, and Washington. The other two FOAs are: 1. HHS-2018-ACF-IOAS-OTIP-TV-1369, Trafficking Victim Assistance Program-ACF Regions 1, 2, 3, and 5, and 2. HHS-2018-ACF-IOAS-OTIP-TV-1370, Trafficking Victim Assistance Program-ACF regions 4, 6, 7, and 8. Pls. contact Sherri Harris, (202) 260-9319, sherri.harris@acf.hhs.gov

[Well-Integrated Screening and Evaluation for Women Across the Nation \(Wisewoman\)](#)

Department of Health and Human Services

Centers for Disease Control – NCCDPHP

CDC-RFA-DP18-1816

Deadline: June 23, 2018

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Division for Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention, announces the opportunity to apply for funds to implement the Well-Integrated Screening and Evaluation for Women Across the Nation (WISEWOMAN) program. The WISEWOMAN program extends preventive health services to women who are participants of the CDC-funded National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program (NBCCEDP). A focus on the health systems and community-clinical links that are supportive of these preventive health services is required. Pls. contact: Rebekah Buckley, (770) 488-6215, EUT9@cdc.gov

[Historic Preservation Fund Grants in Aid: Tribal Historic Preservation Offices](#)

Department of the Interior-National Park Service

P18AS00072

Deadline: June 30, 2018

This funding program supports the operation of Tribal Historic Preservation Offices (THPOs) within allowable program areas described in the "Historic Preservation Fund Grants Manual." Where relevant, staff and projects must comply with the appropriate "Secretary of the Interior's Standards". The purposes of this program is to

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provide matching grants to Tribes for the identification, evaluation and protection of historic properties by such means as compliance and review, survey, planning technical assistance, development, Federal tax incentives available for historic properties; expand the National Register of Historic Places and to assist Tribal communities in carrying out historic preservation activities. Awards under this program must comply with and support 54 USC 301 et seq. (commonly known as the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended). State, Tribal, Local, Plans & Grants Division Program Staff 202-354-2020.

[Disaster Assistance for State Units on Aging \(SUAs\) and Tribal Organizations in National Disasters Declared by the President](#)

**Department of Health and Human Services-Administration for Community Living
HHS-2018-ACL-AOA-DASG-0237**

Deadline: September 14, 2018

This grant is through the Administration for Community Living. Grants awarded under this announcement are to provide disaster reimbursement and assistance funds to those State Units on Aging (SUAs) and federally recognized Tribal Organizations who are currently receiving a grant under Title VI of the Older Americans Act (OAA), as amended. These funds only become available when the President declares a National Disaster and may only be used in those areas designated in the Disaster Declaration issued by the President of the United States. Eligible SUAs and Title VI grantees should discuss all disaster applications with ACL/AoA Regional staff before submitting a formal application. The amount of funds requested should be discussed with Regional staff before the application is completed. Providing a draft of the narrative justification for the application will help expedite the processing of an award. Applicants should talk with the State and local Emergency Managers to determine what funds may be available through other resources before applying for OAA funding. SUAs and federally recognized Tribal Organizations currently receiving a grant under Title VI of the Older Americans Act must submit proposals electronically via <http://www.grants.gov>. At <http://www.grants.gov>, you will be able to download a copy of the application packet, complete it off-line, and then upload and submit the application via the Grants.gov website.

[FY 2018 Land Buy-Back Program for Tribal Nations](#)

U.S. Department of the Interior

Deadline: September 30, 2018

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 a revised schedule of locations where land consolidation activities such as planning, outreach, mapping, mineral evaluations, appraisals or acquisitions are scheduled to take place over the next several years. The Buy-Back Program is interested in partnering with the eligible tribes that have jurisdiction over these 20 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. In certain cases, it may be unnecessary and a memorandum of agreement may be used. 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). Thus, to help ensure that it stays within the established limit on implementation costs, the Program will fund indirect costs through cooperative agreements equal to no more than 15% of the modified total direct costs. PLEASE NOTE: This is a 10-year program. The expiration on this posting reflects this current opportunity, and new opportunities will be posted over the duration of the Program. In addition, given that the Cobell Settlement specifically limits overall implementation costs for the duration of the Program, cooperative agreement awards are not intended to fund or support long-term, multi-year programs at each location or reservation.

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Most awards will provide funding for no longer than 9 months, 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.

[Tribal Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program: Implementation and Expansion Grants](#)

**Department of Health and Human Services
Administration for Children and Families - OCC
HHS-2018-ACF-OCC-TH-1365
Deadline: September 30, 2018**

This funding opportunity announcement provides Fiscal Year 2018 funds for the Tribal Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program (Tribal MIECHV): Implementation and Expansion Grants. Funds will support 5-year grants (cooperative agreements) between ACF and federally-recognized Indian tribes (or a consortium of Indian tribes), tribal organizations, or urban Indian organizations that are currently operating an evidence-based home visiting program and propose to expand or sustain their established infrastructure for home visiting services in tribal communities. This funding opportunity announcement is intended for tribal entities that have an established history of implementation of high-quality, culturally relevant, evidence-based home visiting services to American Indian and Alaska Native (AIAN) families and children, implementation of performance measurement and continuous quality improvement systems, development of early childhood systems, and conducting rigorous evaluation. Applicants may include existing grantees under the Tribal MIECHV program that are proposing to sustain services, as well as other tribal entities that can demonstrate past and current experience with conducting such activities and are proposing to expand services. During Year 1 of the cooperative agreements, grantees must maintain existing services to families while conducting a needs and readiness assessment and developing an implementation plan to respond to identified needs through sustained or expanded services (including developing a plan for measuring and reporting on program participants' progress toward meeting legislatively mandated benchmarks and conducting rigorous evaluation activities). During Years 2-5, grantees will implement approved plans to sustain or expand their high-quality evidence-based home visiting services; implement performance measurement systems and engage in Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) activities; engage in activities to strengthen early childhood systems development; and conduct rigorous evaluation activities. To Apply Please Contact: Moushumi Beltangady (202) 260-3613 moushumi.beltangady@acf.hhs.gov

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

**National Institutes of Health (NIH)-National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH)
RFA-MH-17-604**

Deadline: October 15, 2018

This grant is through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. 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 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

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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.

[Pilot Studies to Detect and Prevent Suicide Behavior, Ideation and Self-Harm in Youth in Contact with the Juvenile Justice System](#) (R34 Clinical Trial Required)

Department of Health and Human Services-National Institutes of Health

PAR-18-228

September 7, 2019

This initiative supports research to test the effectiveness of combined strategies to both detect and intervene to reduce the risk of suicide behavior, suicide ideation, and non-suicidal self-harm (NSSI) by youth in contact with the juvenile justice system. Opportunities for detection and prevention start at early points of contact (e.g., police interaction, the intake interview) and continue through many juvenile justice settings (e.g., pre-trial detention, juvenile or family court activities, court disposition, placement and on-going care in either residential or multiple community settings.) This FOA invites intervention strategies that are designed to be delivered in typical service settings using typically available personnel and resources, to enhance the implementation of interventions that prove effective, enhance their future uptake in diverse settings, and thereby reduce risk of suicide and self-harm in this population.

[Detecting and Preventing Suicide Behavior, Ideation and Self-Harm in Youth in Contact with the Juvenile Justice System](#) (R01- Clinical Trial Required)

Department of Health and Human Services-National Institutes of Health

PAR-18-479

Deadline: September 7, 2019

This initiative supports research to test the effectiveness of combined strategies to both detect and intervene to reduce the risk of suicide behavior, suicide ideation, and non-suicidal self-harm (NSSI) by youth in contact with the juvenile justice system. Opportunities for detection and prevention start at early points of contact (e.g., police interaction, the intake interview) and continue through many juvenile justice settings (e.g., pre-trial detention, juvenile or family court activities, court disposition, placement and on-going care in either residential or multiple community settings.) This FOA invites intervention strategies that are designed to be delivered in typical service settings using typically available personnel and resources, to enhance the implementation of interventions that prove effective, enhance their future uptake in diverse settings, and thereby reduce risk of suicide and self-harm in this population. This FOA is published in parallel to a companion R34 FOA (PAR-xx-xxx) supporting pilot studies in preparation for the larger-scale studies described here.

[Pragmatic Research in Healthcare Settings to Improve Diabetes and Obesity Prevention and Care](#) National Institutes of Health (NIH) - National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK)

PAR-17-177

Deadline: November 1, 2019

This grant is from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. 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](#)

National Institutes of Health (NIH)-National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR)

PA-17-016

Deadline: January 7, 2020

This grant is from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. This funding opportunity announcement (FOA) seeks to stimulate research that focuses on reducing negative individual and family

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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](#)
National Institutes of Health (NIH)-National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR)
National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD)
PA-17-118

Deadline: May 7, 2020

This grant is from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. 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 \(Admin Supp\)](#)
National Institutes of Health (NIH)-National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH)
PA-17-165

Deadline: June 2, 2020

This grant is from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. 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.

[Healthy Habits: Timing for Developing Sustainable Healthy Behaviors in Children and Adolescents \(R21 Clinical Trial Optional\)](#)

Department of Health and Human Services-National Institutes of Health
PA-18-354

Deadline: January 7, 2021

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA), issued by the National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR), is to encourage Exploratory/Developmental Research Grant (R21) applications that employ innovative research to identify mechanisms of influence and/or promote positive sustainable health behavior(s) in children and youth (birth to age 18). Positive health behaviors may include: developing healthy sleep patterns, developing effective self-regulation strategies, adaptive decision-making in risk situations, practicing proper dental hygiene, eating a balanced and nutritious diet, engaging in age-appropriate physical activity and/or participating in healthy relationships. Applications to promote positive health behavior(s) should target social and cultural contexts, including, but not limited to: schools, families, communities, population, food industry, age-appropriate learning tools and games, social media, social networking, technology and mass media. Topics to be addressed in this announcement include: effective, sustainable processes for influencing young people to make healthy behavior choices; identification of the appropriate stage of influence for learning sustainable lifelong health behaviors; the role of technology and new media in promoting healthy behavior; identification of factors that support healthy behavior development in vulnerable populations; and, identification of mechanisms and mediators that are common to the development of a range of habitual health behaviors. Given the many factors involved in developing sustainable health behaviors, applications from multidisciplinary team that include nurse scientists are strongly encouraged. The goal of this FOA is to promote research that identifies and enhances processes that promote sustainable positive behavior or changes social and cultural norms that influence health and future health behaviors.

[Lannan Indigenous Communities Program](#)

Lannan Foundation

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.