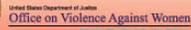


Interdepartmental Tribal Justice, Safety, & Wellness

Government-to-Government Consultation, Training & Technical Assistance – Session 8



December 8–9, 2008
Palm Springs, CA

Executive Summary

Since 2006, the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, Office of Tribal Justice, and Office on Violence Against Women; U.S. Department of Health and Human Services through its Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Indian Health Service, and Office of Minority Health in the Office of the Secretary; U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs; U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development through its Office of Native American Programs and our newest Federal partner, The Corporation for National and Community Service, have partnered to respond to the stated needs of tribes through a series of consultation and training and technical assistance (CTTA) sessions held across the country. These Interdepartmental Tribal Justice, Safety, and Wellness (TJS&W), government-to-government sessions have focused on public health and safety, drug awareness, tribal court systems, detention and treatment facilities, multijurisdictional coordination, behavioral and mental health, youth prevention programs and juvenile delinquency, sexual assault and domestic violence victims, sexual offender registry, and other wellness areas.

Eight TJS&W Session Convened

This session, the eighth TJS&W session that was scheduled, continued to emphasize justice and safety issues and health and wellness in tribal communities. Collaboration among several events was achieved with an overall estimated attendance of 750 participants for the week, while the TJSW session focused on several topics:

- Results and recommendations from the past five consultation sessions.
- The upcoming change in administration and its potential impact upon tribes.
- Upcoming funding opportunities available to tribes through grant solicitations.
- Grant writing – the session offered a full-day, grant writing workshop.

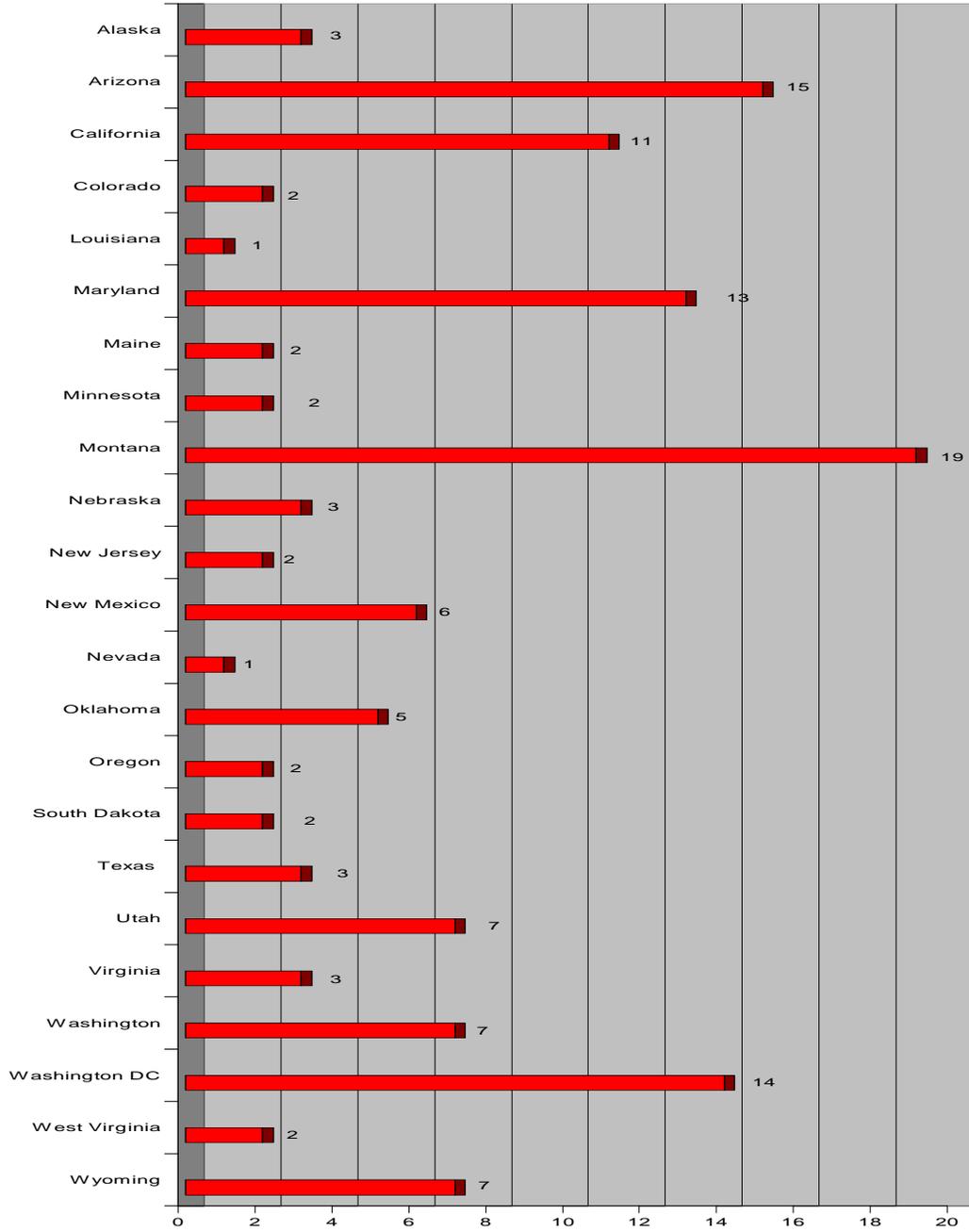
Multiple tribal event included:

- December 8–9, 2009 – Interdepartmental Tribal Justice, Safety and Wellness – Session 8.
- December 10, 2008 – Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Annual Consultation Session, sponsored by the Office on Violence Against Women.
- December 8, 2009 – Sex Offender Registry Training, SMART Office, (OJP)
- December 9-10, 2009 – Walking on Common Ground, Bureau of Justice Assistance Session
- December 10, 2009 – Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) Preconference Workshops.
- December 11–13, 2009 – 11th National Indian Nations Conference: *Justice for Victims of Crime*, sponsored by the OVC.

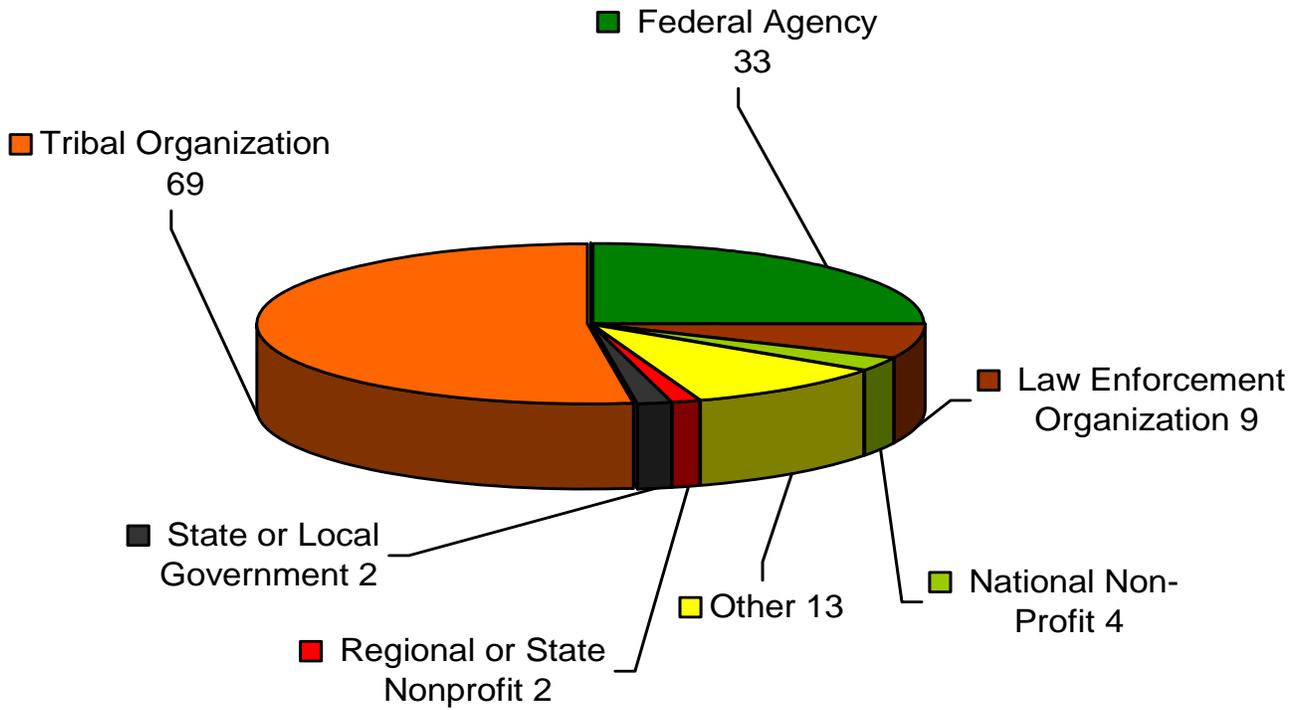
Participant Overview

Attending the TJSW event were 132 participants. Over 52% of the participants were tribal members and/or represented tribal agencies or organizations.

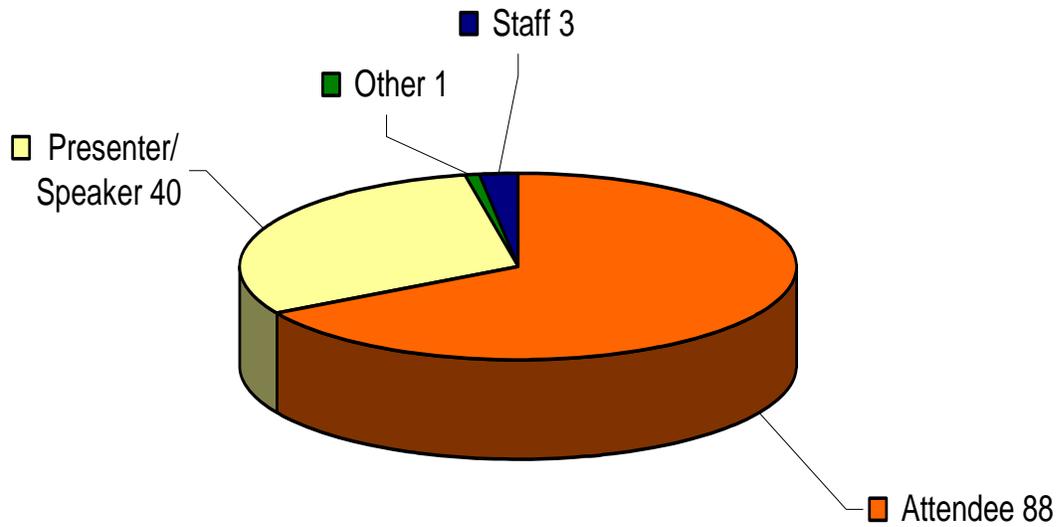
Participants by State



Participants by Organization Type



Participant by Conference Attendee Category



Interdepartmental Tribal Justice, Safety and Wellness – Session Eight

Session Highlights

● **Plenary Session – *Tribal Consultation Outcomes and Recommendations: A Report on the Progress***

Moderators: **Virginia Davis**, Associate Counsel, National Congress of American Indians and **Eugenia Tyner-Dawson**, Executive Director, Justice Programs Council on Native American Affairs and Senior Advisor to the Assistant Attorney General for Tribal Affairs, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice.

A panel of Tribal and Federal facilitators representing the five focus groups from the August 19, 2008, Billings, MT, Consultation Follow-Up Session discussed the outcomes and recommendations from the session.

- Police Presence, Investigations, Cooperative Agreements, and Data Sharing
- Jurisdiction and Prosecution
- Prevention and Early Intervention Programs, Treatment and Rehabilitation, and Prisoner Re-entry Programs
- Victims' Services
- Juvenile Justice

A matrix compiling the justice, public safety, public health, and wellness matters raised in Tribal consultation with the several departments during five of the past TJS&W sessions was presented for further discussion with the audience. Summaries of all past consultation sessions are available at www.tribaljusticeandsafety.com.

● **Plenary Session – *Federal Government Transition Activities***

Tribal and Federal presenters discussed the upcoming change in Administration and congressional transition activities and what it means for Indian Country – Presented by the National Congress of American Indians and representative of several Federal agencies.

Workshop Titles

- *Be an Accomplished Department of Justice Applicant and Grantee*
- *Child Mental Health Initiative (Systems of Care) Funding Announcement*
- *Community Coalitions in Indian Communities*
- *Department of Justice Peer Review Training*
- *The Federal Budget Process*
- *Forming a Tribal Social Services Association*
- *Health Research and Methamphetamine Prevention Efforts in Indian Country*
- *The Law Enforcement National Data Exchange N-DEx*
- *Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Tribal Youth Programs*
- *Overview of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Indian Housing Block Grant Program and the Indian Community Development Block Grant Program*
- *Planning of Correctional Facilities on Tribal Lands*
- *Possible Matching Requirements on Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration Discretionary Grants*
- *Service as a Solution: Corporation for National and Community Service*
- *Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Peer Review Process*
- *Tribal Self-Governance: Partnering for Health Care in the 21st Century*
- *Weed and Seed: Overview, Guidelines and Indian Country*
- *Winning Strategies for Seeking and Obtaining Federal Grants*

The full agenda, workshop descriptions and speaker biographies are available at www.tribaljusticeandsafety.com.

Program Contributors

The following bureaus, agencies, tribal organizations, and non-profits contributed to the TJS&W event by sponsoring presentations and/or having representatives participate in workshop discussions with attendees.

Corporation for National and Community Service
Indian Child and Family Resource Center
National Congress of American Indians
Prairie Island Community and Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Courts

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration
 - Center for Mental Health Services
 - Center for Substance Abuse Prevention
 - Office of Policy, Planning and Budget
- Indian Health Service
 - Office of Clinical and Preventative Services
 - Office of Tribal Self-Governance
- Office of Minority Health
- Administration for Children and Families

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

- Office of Native American Programs

U.S. Department of the Interior

- Bureau of Indian Affairs
 - Office of Justice Services

U.S. Department of Justice

- Federal Bureau of Investigation
 - Law Enforcement N-DEx
- Office of Justice Programs
 - Bureau of Justice Assistance
 - Community Capacity Development Office
 - Office of Audit and Assessment Management
 - Grants Management Division
 - Office of the Chief Financial Officer
 - Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention
 - Office of Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering, and Tracking

University of North Dakota Law School
White House Office of National Drug Control Policy

Attendee Overall Conference Evaluation Results

Attendees were asked to answer the following questions about the conference by providing a score using the scale of **5** being the **most, highest, or best** and **1** being the **least, lowest, or worst** possible score.

The conference planning committee identified several key objectives for Session 8 around which the training program was developed. At the conclusion of the conference, please rate the extent to which you feel the training met the following objectives.	AVERAGE SCORE
1. Report our progress on past consultation topics and issues raised.	3.70
2. Share the latest information on the change in Administration and how respective transition activities affect Indian Country.	4.00
3. Provide access to resources and information available on grant opportunities across federal agencies that pertain to justice, safety, and wellness issues.	3.90
4. Bring together elected Tribal leaders and key policy decision-makers, Tribal administrators, executive directors, finance and grant administration officers, Tribal planners, grant writers, justice and law enforcement personnel, and Tribal program project coordinators and grantee officers so that individuals may share their expertise and engage participants in dialogue about best practices for Tribal community capacity building.	4.20
Please provide feedback about event logistics that will assist the planning committee to organize future events.	
5. Overall, how pleased were you with the event location?	4.40
6. How would you rate the event properties/facilities?	4.40
7. Were you pleased with how the event was organized?	3.70
8. How would you rate the event program materials?	3.90
The following statements refer to the conference as a whole. Please check the option that best describes your opinion about each statement.	
9. Objectives were closely related to the purpose/goals.	4.00
10. Plenary presentations provided useful, relevant information.	4.20
11. Workshop presentations provided useful, relevant information.	4.20
12. Speakers/presenters were knowledgeable and delivered well organized and interesting presentations.	4.10
13. Content was objective and free from undue bias.	4.10
14. Information learned is relevant to my work.	4.40
15. Event was appropriate in length.	4.10
16. I was made aware of new funding opportunities.	3.80
17. I plan to apply for a particular grant or solicitation as a result of attending this session.	3.10
18. This training was planned using a "collaborative" approach. Several agencies and/or program offices conducted trainings, workshops or conferences throughout the week. How does the "combined conference" format rank in comparison to having separate, individual conferences over various dates at differing locations? Does the "combined" format enhance your conference experience?	4.40

Participant Tribal Affiliations

Assiniboine	Northern Ute
Assiniboine/Sioux	Oglala Sioux Tribe
Canoncito/Aqlamo Bands of Navajo	Omaha Nation
Cayuse/Walla Walla/Nez Perce	Passamaquoddy Tribe
Cherokee	Pauma Luiseno Band of Indians
Chichimeca	Pima-Maricopa
Chickaloon Native Village	Pueblo of Jemez
Chippewa	Redwood Valley Rancheria
Chippewa Cree	Rincon Luiseno Band of Indians
Eastern Shoshone	Sac and Fox Nation
Fort Peck Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes	San Felipe/Isleta Pueblo
Hoop Valley Tribe	Seneca
Hopi	Siletz
Kaw Nation	Sioux
Luiseno - Pauma Band of Mission Indians	Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate
Lumbee	Six Nations/Yavapai
Lummi Nation	Suquamish
Mohawk	Tlingit
Navajo Nation	Uintah & Ouray Reservation
Nez Perce	Ute Mountain Ute Tribe
Northern Arapahoe	Wasco/Colville
Northern Cheyenne	Washoe Tribe

Next Steps

Plans are underway for the Evaluation Session during which Federal and Tribal leaders will review the success of the sessions having taken place during 2008 and determine next steps for 2009. For information on previous TJS&W Government-to-Government Consultation, Training, and Technical Assistance sessions and details about upcoming 2009 events, please visit <http://www.tribaljusticeandsafety.gov>.