



Fact Sheet

U.S. Department of Justice

Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation: Fiscal Year 2012

“We are committed to helping strengthen and sustain safe and healthy American Indian and Alaska Native communities with a funding process that is responsive and coordinated. This effort to streamline the grant application process, with multiple purpose areas, offers tribes and tribal consortia an opportunity to develop a comprehensive and community-based approach to public safety and support for victims.” Associate Attorney General Tom Perrelli

In Fiscal Year 2010 The Department of Justice launched the Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS), which encompassed most of the Department's available Tribal government-specific grant programs. Through CTAS the Department has awarded over \$245 million to hundreds of American Indian and Alaskan Native communities. The Tribes are using these funds to enhance law enforcement, bolster justice systems, prevent and control delinquency and strengthen the juvenile justice system, serve sexual assault and elder victims, and support other efforts to combat crime.

In an effort to build on the success of CTAS in FY 2010 and FY2011, DOJ asked Tribes how to further refine and improve CTAS for FY 2012. These responses and suggestions were incorporated into the FY 2012 solicitation, which aims to be more user-friendly.

How is the FY 2012 CTAS similar to the FY 2010 and FY 2011 solicitations?

This solicitation and application process will begin in January 2012 and will remain open for 90 days. The single application continues to include all available DOJ Tribal government-specific grant programs. The advantage of this coordinated process is that, when it reviews a Tribe's single application, the Department will have a better understanding of a Tribe's overall public safety needs. The grant-making components (the Office of Justice Programs (OJP), the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), and the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW)) will then coordinate and collaborate in making award decisions that address these needs on a more comprehensive basis. Each Tribal government-specific competitive grant program is referred to as a “Purpose Area.” An applicant may select the Purpose Area(s) that best address its public

safety, criminal and juvenile justice, and victimization needs. The DOJ grant-making components will make and administer multiple awards by Purpose Area, subject to available funding. *Please remember that Tribes or Tribal consortia may be eligible for other, non-Tribal specific DOJ grant funding opportunities and may submit a separate application to any grant programs for which they may be eligible.*

What changes were made to CTAS for Fiscal Year 2012?

The Department made several major changes based on Tribal leaders and Tribal organizations input:

- Incorporating a question-and-answer template into the solicitation to make the document more user-friendly;
- Adding a new strategic planning pilot program;
- Adjusting Purpose Areas to address Tribes' concerns and to allow for greater flexibility in funding requests;
- Using a demographics form instead of relying on a general narrative to better illustrate the unique characteristics of each Tribe;
- Requiring Tribes to submit legal Tribal documentation authorizing application for grant funding. This documentation must be submitted at the time of application, but is defined more broadly than in 2011, which specifically required a Tribal Resolution.

Tribal Community & Justice Profile

Before applying for funding, applicants should review their community, public safety and justice systems to help identify gaps in services that the grant programs can address. The following areas highlight what eligible tribes need to consider as a part of their FY 2012 CTAS application.

Executive Summary: The Executive Summary is designed for the Tribes to identify which DOJ Purpose Area(s) they will apply for and if more than one is selected, how they fit together to address the overall justice and safety needs.

Tribal Narrative Profile: This profile helps illustrate the specific characteristics of a Tribe, the community strengths, resources, challenges and needs.

Demographic Form: This section is designed to capture unique characteristics of each Tribe to help the Department and reviewers better understand each individual Tribe's needs.

Important demographics to include on this form are the Tribe's enrollment numbers; its current local population; the size of the reservation; the jurisdiction to be served; the unemployment rates; the crime victim services provided; the Tribe's governmental organizational structure; and the "remoteness" of the Tribe.

Crime Data: This section is designed to include data on the types of crimes common to the Tribe. If data is not available, anecdotal or alternative information about the problems identified is acceptable.

Tribal Law Enforcement Information: This data should illustrate the Tribe's current law enforcement capacity.

Tribal Facilities, Capacities and Capabilities: This section focuses on the Tribe's telecommunications technology, as well as the numbers of existing facilities such as courthouses, police stations, jails, treatment facilities, and emergency shelters.

FY 2012 Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation Purpose Areas

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| 1. Public safety and community policing (COPS Tribal Resources Hiring Grant Program and Tribal Resources Grant Equipment/Training), CFDA #16.710 |
| 2. Comprehensive Planning Demonstration Project, (OJP/BJA), CFDA #16.608 |
| 3. Justice systems, and alcohol and substance abuse (OJP/BJA—Tribal Courts Assistance Program and Indian Alcohol and Substance Abuse Prevention Program), CFDA #16.608 |
| 4. Corrections and correctional alternatives (OJP/BJA—Correctional Systems and Correctional Alternatives on Tribal Lands Program), CFDA #16.596 |
| 5. Violence Against Women (OVW- Tribal Sexual Assault Services Program- TSASP), CFDA#16.587 |
| 6. Violence Against Women (OVW—Tribal Governments Program – Tribal Governments Program), CFDA #16.587 |
| 7. Victims of Crime (OJP/OVC—Children's Justice Act Partnerships for Indian Communities), CFDA #16.582 |
| 8. Victims of Crime (OJP/OVC- Comprehensive Tribal Victim Assistance Program), CFDA#16.528 |
| 9. Juvenile Justice (OJP/OJJDP—Tribal Juvenile Accountability Discretionary Program), CFDA #16.731 |
| 10. Tribal Youth Program (OJP/OJJDP—Tribal Youth Program – TYP), CFDA #16.731 |

To apply for CTAS or other DOJ grants

To apply for CTAS please visit <http://www.justice.gov/tribal/open-sol>. For other DOJ resources and information please visit DOJ's dedicated Tribal Justice and Safety web site (<http://www.justice.gov/tribal/>) or resources government-wide visit (www.Grants.gov).

For CTAS application assistance, contact the Response Center at 1-800-421-6770 or send an email to tribalgrants@usdoj.gov. **The deadline for submitting applications in response to this grant announcement is 9:00 PM ET on Wednesday, April 18, 2012.**