# Narrative

Purpose Area #2 Narrative (10–15 page limit including template text; answers should be double-spaced)

Please note that purpose area #2 is for comprehensive justice system–wide strategic planning that will be facilitated by DOJ training and technical assistance (TTA) providers. If you want to engage in a more narrowly focused strategic planning process that addresses only a single department or specific aspect of the justice system, you should apply under the purpose area most closely aligned with that focus.

1. Identify the crime and public safety problem(s) identified in the Tribal Community and Justice Profile that the tribe plans to address through the proposed grant funding. Describe how this comprehensive justice system–wide strategic planning is expected to provide guidance on how to address the identified problem(s). (Please note that the DOJ encourages a victim-centered approach to justice. Each comprehensive justice system strategic plan should include improvements to your victim services and engagement.)
2. Describe current or previous strategic planning efforts, if any, and state whether they were effective.
3. Explain why justice system–wide strategic planning is a necessary step to improving community safety and wellness.

4a. Describe how tribal council or administration will be involved with the planning process to ensure full tribal justice system support for the project.

4b. Describe the makeup of the core planning team and proposed tribal representatives who will participate in the strategic planning process by job title or position. Describe how this team will collaborate with the DOJ TTA provider to assess the justice system needs of the tribal community to develop a comprehensive justice system strategic plan. Members of this core team will attend and participate in planning meetings, identify short- and long-term goals for their community and justice system, and support efforts to organize a community needs assessment that will highlight the strengths of the justice system and identify areas for improvement.

1. Identify current Tribal Government and community initiatives whose leaders will be involved in the strategic planning process. Describe how these initiatives can be leveraged to complement or enhance the implementation of the comprehensive justice improvement strategic plan. Describe the roles of each identified partner. Examples may be members of tribal council, advisory boards, multidisciplinary teams, sexual assault coalitions, regional or multitribe consortia, crime specific task forces, victim services programs, etc.
2. Describe how the applicant plans to work with the DOJ-provided TTA providers to accomplish the goals of this project. (Note that hiring an outside consultant to create a strategic plan for the tribe is not an allowable activity in purpose area #2.) For a sample timeline of benchmarks needed to accomplish a strategic planning project, see <https://www.justice.gov/tribal/open-solicitations>.
3. Describe how the applicant will know if the strategic planning efforts are working and how success will be determined and measured. Describe how data will be collected and assessed to measure the impact of proposed efforts:
	* 1. What will be measured?
		2. How will data be collected?
		3. Who is responsible for collecting the data?
		4. How is success defined?
4. Describe how the tribe will implement the strategic plan when the federal grant ends. Describe a plan for sustaining this effort, including how other resources will be used and how collaborative partnerships or other methods will enhance this process.