

U.S. Department of Justice Office on Violence Against Women

Washington, DC 20530

May 29, 2020

Dear Tribal Leaders and Representatives:

The Department of Justice (DOJ) Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) invites you to discuss OVW's proposal to streamline the application process for OVW's Tribal-specific grant programs separate and apart from DOJ's Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS), including issuing a special, COVID-19/violence against women solicitation for Tribes this summer. A framing paper providing relevant background information and questions for you to consider is attached and is also available for download through OVW's tribal consultation website: <a href="https://www.ovwconsultation.org/">https://www.ovwconsultation.org/</a>.

We invite you to participate in a series of webinars by telephone, computer, or other device that will be held **between June 30 and July 9, 2020**. Registration information is available at <u>https://www.ovwconsultation.org/</u>. Tribal leaders and designated governmental representatives are welcome to participate in any or all of the webinars; other interested parties affiliated with a Tribe, Tribal consortium, or organization that provides services to a Tribe may participate in any session but only may provide testimony at the listening sessions. You will be asked to provide your name and Tribal affiliation when you register for a session. The dates and times of the sessions are:

<u>Consultation</u>: Tuesday, June 30, 2020, at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT)
<u>Listening Session</u>: Wednesday, July 1, 2020, at 1:00 p.m. EDT
<u>Consultation</u>: Wednesday, July 8, 2020, at 1:00 p.m. EDT
<u>Listening Session</u>: Thursday, July 9, 2020, at 1:00 p.m. EDT

In addition to the Consultations and Listening Sessions, we will accept written comments until **5 p.m. EDT on July 22, 2020**. Written comments may be submitted by e-mail to <u>OVW.TribalAffairs@usdoj.gov</u>.

If you have difficulty registering, please email <u>TribalConsultation@support.eventPower.com</u>. We hope that you will be able to participate in providing feedback to OVW on this very important topic.

Sincerely,

Your Regirs

Laura L. Rogers Acting Director

Attachment