

OJJDP Tribal Juvenile Detention and Reentry Green Demonstration Program

Healing Our Youth

Futures for Tribal Youth in Detention



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Tribal Juvenile Detention and Reentry Green Demonstration Program

- The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention within the U.S. Department of Justice administers the Tribal Juvenile Detention and Reentry Green grant
- It's mission is to enhance opportunities for federally recognized tribes by providing comprehensive & quality programs for tribal youth who reside within or are being released from a tribal juvenile detention center



OJJDP TJDR - Overarching Goal

OJJDP TJDR Demonstration Program's overarching goals:

- Reverse the overrepresentation of American Indian and Alaska native youth in the juvenile justice system
- Reduce recidivism rate of tribal youth
- Guide, nurture and provide resources for tribal youth to participate in best practice and green energy programs that are compatible with their traditions and culture



Innovation, Collaboration & Sustainability

OJJDP TJDRG was launched in 2009 and marked the first time that OJJDP sponsored an initiative that encouraged awardees to partner with institutions of higher learning and organizations to incorporate green technologies and environmentally sustainable activities as part of the program's educational, training, and reentry activities for detained tribal youth



OJJDP TJDR Five Purpose Areas

Provide federally recognized tribes with funding to support tribal youth residing or being released from a tribal JDC with the following services:

- Risk and needs assessments
- Educational and vocational training
- Mental health services
- Substance abuse programs
- Family strengthening supports
- Recreational activities
- Extended aftercare



OJJDP TJDR Five Purpose Areas

- Support tribe's effort to partner with a university or organization that can assist in implementation of green technologies and environmental activities as part of their reentry programming
- Enhance existing data systems, advance technologies, and improve reporting capacity for federally recognized tribes to comply with the Government Performance Results ACT Pub. L. 63-62 and the performance measures in OJJDP TJDRG demonstration program



OJJDP TJDR Five Purpose Areas

- To identify and support the ability of federally recognized tribes to implement, monitor, and maintain tribal juvenile detention centers
- To provide opportunities for federally recognized tribes to develop financial partnerships with universities and/or green organizations for long term reentry and environmental benefits



FY 2009 - OJJDP TJDRG Grant Recipients

- Hualapai Detention and Rehabilitation Center in Peach Springs, Arizona
- Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians in Choctaw , Mississippi
- Rosebud Sioux Tribe – *Wanbli Wiconi Tipi*, in Mission, South Dakota



Hualapai Detention and Rehabilitation Center

- Increase of behavioral health resources to detained youth while incarcerated and post release
- Development of a collaborative intervention substance abuse reduction program
- Organic green gardening project for detained youth and post release
- Training program for detained youth on developing and reading blue prints for “green” building development
- Family Group Decision Making Conferencing Training for staff as a case management tool



Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians Juvenile Detention Center

- Developed policies and procedures needed to begin to use the transition unit to increase successful transition back into the community
- Integration of tribal elders into the program activities as the primary strategy. The elders are passing traditional agriculture practices of the Mississippi Choctaw onto transitioning youth and are re-building community strength from the ground up
- Incorporation of sustainable/green program activities and professional partners



Rosebud Sioux Tribe

Wanbli Wiconi Tipi

- 12 month aftercare program – a targeted approach to pre and post reentry services
- Implementation of 7th Generation Mentoring Program ,a cultural based mentoring program to support youth transition back into the community
- Incorporates, culture, traditions and language revitalization practices to strengthen protective factors of detained youth
- Organic gardening and beekeeping projects



Additional Support to Tribal Juvenile Detention Centers in Indian Country

In addition to supporting TJDRG grantees, OJJDP supports tribes who operate or who are in the planning phase of operating a tribal juvenile detention center by providing training and technical assistance (T/TA) to facilitate program planning, enhancement, implementation, evaluation, and sustainability of programs



OJJDP FY 2010 TJDR Program Funding

- OJJDP will fund three tribal JDC's to plan and implement new Tribal Juvenile Detention and Reentry Demonstration Programs.
- TJDR funds will support the tribes to develop effective and sustainable detention services while increasing tribal youth's potential to lead healthy vibrant lives when they re-enter their communities



OJJDP TJDR Information

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Education Development Center, Inc TJDR Training & Technical Assistance Center

EDC TJDR T/TA Center - www.tribalreentry.org on behalf of OJJDP – <http://ojjdp.ncjrs.gov/> is the official T/TA provider for all related onsite and offsite T/TA services .

All tribal Juvenile Detention Centers (JDC) , and federally recognized tribes are eligible to request Training and Technical Assistance around reentry services.



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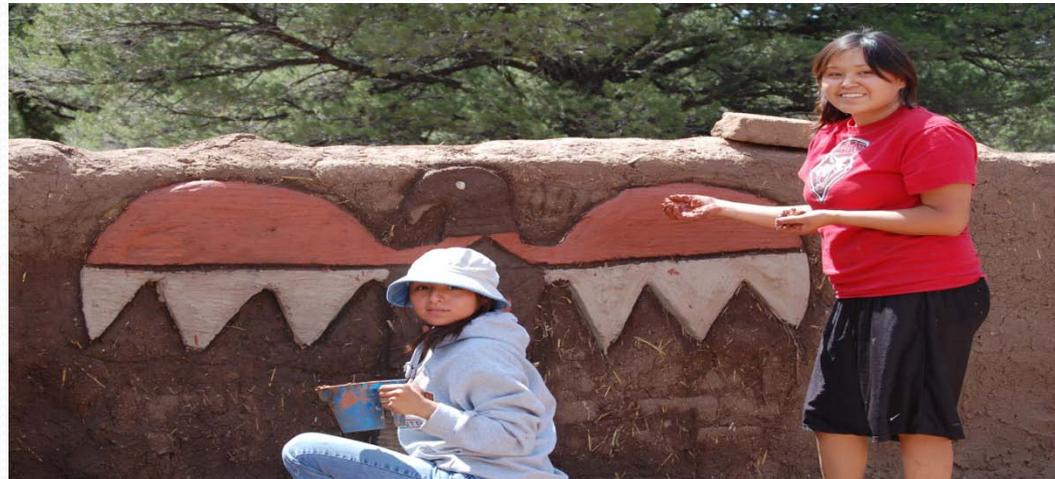
EDC TJDR Technical Partners

- National Indian Youth Leadership Project
- Sustainable Nations
- Appropedia Foundation
- Lenny Foster, Navajo Nation Corrections Project
- Green for All
- Evon Peter, Native Movement
- Indigenous Environmental Network
- Marletta Pacheco, South Dakota Prisoners Support Group
- Sinte Gleska University
- Schatz Energy Resource Center
- Gene Tyon, Thunder Valley Community Development



TJDR - Reentry Best Practices

- Traditional approaches in services: Talking Circles, Pipe Ceremonies, and Purification Ceremonies
- Cultural Based & “ **Green**” Service Learning Projects
- Family Group Decision Making Conferencing
- Motivational Interviewing
- Project Venture



EDC TJDR T/TA Center & Grantee Work

- New Grantee Orientation Meeting
- Strategic Planning Meetings at each grantee site with tribal leaders, departments, and community members
- Needs Assessments
- Grantee Peer to Peer Learning Opportunities
- Technical Assistance Specialist assigned to each TJDR grantee



Tribal JDC's

Service Gaps & Resource Needs

- **EDUCATION** – screening, one on one, career planning, interest inventories, on-line courses, classroom education, integration of youth in JDC into the classroom
- **MENTAL HEALTH/BEHAVIORAL HEALTH** – screening (suicide prevention, trauma checklist, mental illness, violence prevention, strengths inventory); counseling, assessment/evaluative services
- **TRANSITIONAL SERVICES** – where is the youth going to, where did they come from?



Service Gaps and Resources Needed

- **CULTURAL FOUNDATION** – what are the strengths of the culture and how can they be used to assist the youth in JDCs so they will not be repeat offenders?
- **COORDINATION OF SERVICES** – case management; shared responsibility of services to youth detained in JDCs
- **SYSTEM OR “CIRCLE” APPROACH** – service providers and community to come together in a circle and provide services using a seamless approach



TJDR Grantees Lessons Learned

- Evaluation of services must be integrated throughout the program and evaluation must start from the beginning.
- Cross training is required in order for service providers to understand one another's perspective; e.g., juvenile detention staff need training in mental health and mental health workers need training in juvenile corrections.
- Juvenile detention centers are underfunded and require more resources in order to be effective service providers to youth detained in and transitioning from juvenile detention centers.



EDC TJDR T/TA Center Services and Resources

- One-on One Assistance: phone and email consultation tailored to meet each tribal JDC's needs through expert guidance , resources, materials, and referrals
- Onsite T/TA: Request T/TA to support tribal JDCs in strategic planning, implementation, data collection, evaluation, or 'Best Practices' programs



EDC TJDR T/TA Center Services and Resources

Webinar Series:

- Cultural Practices with American Indian Youth
Tuesday, June 29th, 2010 from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. EST
- Reentry Strategies: Service Learning
Thursday, July 29, 2010 from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. EST
- Organic Gardening with Youth
Wednesday, August 25rd, 2010 from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. EST
- Family Group Decision Making
Week of September 20th, 2010 - Date and Time TBA



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Welcome to the Tribal Juvenile Detention and Reentry Resource and Technical Assistance Center

In FY2009 the [Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention \(OJJDP\)](#) released a solicitation that exclusively focuses on providing services and programming for tribal youth in juvenile detention facilities in Indian Country.

OJJDP administers the Tribal Juvenile Detention and Reentry Green Demonstration Program which supports tribal efforts to provide comprehensive and quality programs for tribal youth who reside within or are being released from a tribal juvenile detention center. FY 2009 highlights the Green Demonstration Program. This demonstration program also marks the first time that OJJDP is sponsoring an initiative that encourages funding to tribal juvenile detention centers to partner with institutions and organizations to incorporate green technologies and environmentally sustainable activities as part of the JDC's educational, training, and reentry activities for youth in detention, diversion programs or reentry. To learn more about the program and the grantees visit our [About us](#) section.

This website is meant as a resource to any Federally recognized tribe operating a Juvenile Detention Center as well as tribes interested in improving their juvenile justice systems for American Indian/Alaskan Native (AI/AN) youth. Tribes may also find resources for various green initiatives that have been found to be culturally appropriate for detained/reentering tribal youth. By clicking on the [Resources](#) tab in the navigation bar at the top of the page you can view our extensive list of resources.

This website is a work in progress and we would like it to be a collaborative effort. Please feel free to give us any feedback on usability or of any resources you feel we should add to the site. Please click [here](#) to leave feedback.

Featured Detention Reentry Resource

[Reentry Resource Map](#)
The Reentry Resource Map from the United States Department of Justice is a national catalog of reentry program resources for those working in the field of reentry. The map allows users to search by state to access to national, state, and local resources that facilitate offender reentry for all phases of the reentry process.

What's New Resources

[Data, Delinquency and Drug Treatment: How Technology Can Aid a Juvenile Drug Court](#)
Added: Jun 14 2010 - 12:02pm

[Sample Forms for Daily Youth Court Program Operation](#)
Added: Jun 14 2010 - 11:10am

Events

[Fundamentals of Cognitive-Behavioral Approaches: Evidence Based Models for Facilitating Change](#)
Mon, 06/21/2010 - 2:00pm - Tue, 06/22/2010 - 4:00pm

[Annual Conference on Family Group Decision Making and Other Family Engagement Approaches](#)
Tue, 06/22/2010 - Fri, 06/25/2010

Funding Opportunities

[Learn and Serve America Youth Engagement Zone FY10](#)
Deadline: Tue, 06/15/2010

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News

[U.S. Department of Education and Senate to Host Native Language Summit](#)
Release Date: Fri, 06/11/2010

[Mexico and New Orleans Learn About Restorative Practices](#)

Home Page: <http://www.tribalreentry.org>

- Provides an overview of the Tribal Juvenile Detention and Reentry Program and a brief description of what's on the Website.
- The latest resources and news are featured along the right hand side of the homepage along with upcoming events and funding opportunities.
- The navigation bar at the top allows users to easily visit the About Us, News, Resources, Events, and Funding Opportunities pages as well as the form to request technical assistance from the center.



About Us

- Contains information about the Training and Technical Assistance Center and the types of T/TA available.
- Staff and Consultant list, contact information, and bios are available.
- Provides a list of our Technical Partners who are also available for T/TA with a brief description of each and a link to their website.
- Provides a list of current grantees with their Project Contact's email address as well as a brief description of their program and a picture from the grantee's site.



News

- The News section features the latest news in detention and reentry as well as news on “green” topics.
- By clicking on “Click here for more” users can view all the recent news items related to detention/reentry or green items.
- On the left hand side of the page are links to various news websites dedicated to news from Indian Country.



Resources

- Contains a searchable database of resources and materials selected and reviewed by the Tribal Juvenile Detention and Reentry Technical Assistance Center Staff.
- Resources are separated by detention/reentry and green resources as well as by topic such as cultural activities, gang prevention, and reentry support programs.
- Users can click on the “Restorative Justice” link on the left hand side of the page or type “restorative justice” into the “Search this site” text box if they were looking for resources on restorative practices for example.



Events

- Features a calendar of upcoming events related to detention/reentry and green topics.
- Users can click through and view upcoming events month by month or click the “more events” Link under “Upcoming Events” to see a complete list in chronological order.
- Users can click on an event for more information such as location, event description, and the event’s Website.
- Tribal specific events are indicated with a maroon bar.



Funding Opportunities

- Provides the latest funding opportunities separated by detention/reentry and green-related funding opportunities.
- Users can click on the “click here for more” link to see a complete chronological list of detention/reentry or green funding opportunities.
- By clicking on the funding opportunity title users can view detailed information on the opportunity such as funder, award amount, deadline, and link to the RFP.



Request Technical Assistance

- Provides a description of the types of T/TA offered by the center.
- Contains a T/TA request form where users can choose the type of TA request (website resource request, phone TA, or onsite TA) and in what area they are seeking TA (program implementation, family group decision making training, evaluation, organic gardening, etc).
- Once users submit their request it is sent to our technical assistance specialists who will follow up and set up and start the T/TA process.



Holding Our Children in a Sacred Place

I am one

Made up of many.

I am Different

I am beautiful

I am Sacred.

Dave Raasch, Tribal Youth

