



Fact Sheet

U.S. Department of Justice

Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation: Fiscal Year 2015

“While money alone cannot fix public safety problems, including those in Indian Country, the department recognizes it is a critical part of a comprehensive solution. Providing training and financial and technical assistance is fundamental to building tribal capacity and making a meaningful difference in the lives of the communities we serve.” Acting Associate Attorney General Stuart F. Delery

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 \$620 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 ongoing effort to build on the success of CTAS, DOJ asked Tribes how to further refine and improve CTAS. These responses and suggestions were incorporated into the FY 2015 solicitation.

How is the FY 2015 CTAS similar to the prior year solicitations?

The 2015 solicitation and application process began in November 2014 and remained open for more than 90 days. The single application process continues to include all available DOJ Tribal government-specific grant programs. The advantage of the coordinated single application process is that it provides the Department with 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)) then coordinate and collaborate in making award decisions that address the applicant's needs on a comprehensive basis. Each Tribal

government-specific competitive grant program is referred to as a “Purpose Area.” Applicants may select the Purpose Area(s) that best address its public safety, criminal and juvenile justice, and victimization needs. The DOJ grant-making components manage 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 2015?

Key changes include:

- The Department issued the solicitation in November rather than December, in response to requests from tribes, so that the application period does not close at the same time as other large federal grant programs for tribes.
- The strategic planning program provides an opportunity for grantees to request funding in future years to implement a previously approved strategic plan.
- Applicable Purpose Areas allow activities related to Tribal jurisdiction over non-Indian perpetrators of domestic violence on Tribal lands, as authorized through the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013.
- Purpose Area #8 focuses on Tribal Healing to Wellness Courts for juveniles.

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 2015 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 2015 Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation Purpose Areas
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—Tribal Justice Systems Infrastructure Program), CFDA #16.596
5. Violence Against Women (OVW—Tribal Governments Program – Tribal Governments Program), CFDA #16.587
6. Victims of Crime (OJP/OVC—Children's Justice Act Partnerships for Indian Communities), CFDA #16.582
7. Victims of Crime (OJP/OVC- Comprehensive Tribal Victim Assistance Program), CFDA#16.528
8. Juvenile Justice (OJP/OJJDP—Tribal Juvenile Healing to Wellness Courts), CFDA #16.731
9. Tribal Youth Program (OJP/OJJDP—Tribal Youth Program – TYP), CFDA #16.731

A listing of the 2015 CTAS awards is available at: <http://www.justice.gov/tribal/file/771691/download>

For more information on CTAS and other DOJ resources and information, visit DOJ's dedicated Tribal Justice and Safety web site (<http://www.justice.gov/tribal/>) or www.Grants.gov.