

Applicant Name:

Purpose Area #6 Children’s Justice Act Partnerships for Indian Communities (OVC)

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# PA6 Children’s Justice Act Partnerships for Indian Communities (OVC) Narrative

## Question Set

### Description of the Issue

1. Provide an explanation of how grant funds will be used to develop and/or strengthen *criminal investigations* of child abuse and child sexual abuse cases. (If grant funds will not be used for this purpose, check the box.)

- 1a. Grant funds will NOT be used to develop and/or strengthen criminal investigations of child abuse and child sexual abuse cases.

2. Provide an explanation of how grant funds will be used to develop and/or strengthen *criminal prosecutions* of child abuse and child sexual abuse cases. (If grant funds will not be used for this purpose, check the box.)

- 2a. Grant funds will NOT be used to develop and/or strengthen criminal prosecutions of child abuse and child sexual abuse cases.

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3. Provide a description of how grant funds will be used to support the handling of child abuse cases, particularly child sexual abuse, in a manner that lessens trauma for child victims. (If grant funds will not be used for this purpose, check the box.)

- 3a. Grant funds will NOT be used to support the handling of child abuse cases, particularly child sexual abuse.

4. Provide a description of current activities and/or services provided to victims of criminal child abuse and neglect. (If these services are not being delivered, check the box.)

- 4a. No current services are being delivered to victims of child abuse and neglect

5. Which of the following does your Tribal Justice System have (select all that apply)?

- Criminal court
- Criminal code for the investigation and prosecution of child abuse and child sexual abuse cases
- Tribal Police Department to investigate criminal cases of child abuse and sexual abuse
- Prosecutor's office to prosecute criminal cases of child abuse and sexual abuse

## Project Goals and Objectives

6. What are the goals and objectives for the proposed project?

7. Is the proposed project supporting a new program or will funds strengthen and sustain an existing program? Both can be selected, as needed.

- Grant funds will be used to support a new program.
- Grant funds will be used to strengthen and sustain an existing program.

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8. If the proposed project will **support a new program**, indicate which of the following the project will include (select all that apply):

- Developing Tribal code to support the criminal investigation and prosecution of child abuse cases.
- Developing trauma-informed policies and procedures for investigators, prosecutors, and other staff supporting child abuse victims.
- Training criminal investigators, prosecutors, and other staff on Tribal code, policies, procedures, and trauma-informed practices.
- Hiring police officer(s) (law enforcement) to conduct investigation of criminal child abuse cases
- Hiring a prosecutor for the prosecution and handling of criminal child abuse cases.
- Creating a multidisciplinary team (MDT) to work on child abuse cases.

- Describe the role of the Child Protection Team (CPT) or MDT in responding to criminal child abuse cases [Maximum of 100 words]

- Other – please describe [Maximum of 100 words]

9. If the proposed project will **strengthen or sustain an existing program**, indicate if the project will include (select all that apply):

- Funding a prosecutor for the prosecution/handling of criminal child abuse cases
- Supporting an established child protection team (CPT) or multidisciplinary team (MDT) that includes professionals from medical, mental health, criminal justice, social services, and education to respond to criminal child abuse/child sexual abuse cases

- Describe the role of the CPT or MDT in responding to criminal child abuse cases [Maximum of 100 words]

- Training on existing criminal code for the investigation, prosecution or handling of child abuse/child sexual abuse cases
- Development of policies and procedures for the investigation, prosecution or handling of child abuse/child sexual abuse cases

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- Training on policies and procedures for the investigation, prosecution or handling of child abuse/child sexual abuse cases
- Supporting or collaborating with a Children Advocacy Center (CAC) to investigate and handle criminal child abuse/child sexual cases.
- Providing victims of child sexual abuse with access to sexual assault forensic medical exams performed by medical professionals with specialized training in conducting pediatric exams.
- Providing advocates to accompany the child victim to court.
- Preparing child victims to participate in the judicial process by using developmentally appropriate language and resources.
- Facilitating victim impact statements.
- Implementing appropriate practices within the court setting to mitigate the trauma for child victims testifying in the physical presence of the accused.
- Ensuring that child victims and their family members receive access to victim assistance, medical, mental health, and social services from the initial report through the judicial process and recovery.
- Providing trauma-focused counseling for child victims, families, secondary victims (such as siblings or grandparents), and for groups of victims, as appropriate.
- Other – please describe [Maximum of 100 words]

## Program Design and Implementation

10. Describe what activities will be funded during the project period and how they will achieve the goals and objectives of the proposed program. [Maximum 250 words]

11. Describe what approaches/strategies would be used to ensure that victims of child abuse and sexual abuse receive trauma-informed care including medical, mental health, and social services needed to support them from the initial investigation through any court processes and to healing and recovery. [Maximum of 100 words]

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12. Identify where the program or project will be located, who will be responsible for overseeing the administration of this program, what services will be available to victims of criminal child abuse/sexual abuse and who will provide the services. [Maximum of 250 words]

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13. What is the Tribe's sustainability plan for this program? How will program activities continue after the grant project period has ended? [Maximum of 250 words]

## Capabilities and Competencies

14. Who will lead/manage the program? Identify by name and position/title all staff whose positions would be supported by this grant funding, including a position description of their assigned duties/responsibilities, the % of time dedicated to the project, and a summary of their qualifications (education, prior work experience). Attach the position description for new and existing program staff, and the resume for each existing staff member to the application for funding. [Maximum of 100 words]

15. What training and supervision will the grantee provide to project staff and allied professionals to ensure they are providing trauma-informed care/services to victims of child abuse and sexual abuse? [Maximum of 100 words]

16. Identify any collaborative partner agencies and organizations who will support this project or participate in a grant-supported multidisciplinary team response team to support the goal of this program. (e.g., social workers, physicians, therapists, victim/witness service providers, prosecutors, judges, law enforcement, etc.) including the name and position/title of the individual from each participating agency or organization. [Maximum of 100 words]