

## Sample Letters of Support

*From a nonprofit, nongovernmental Indian victim service provider organization or a nonprofit, nongovernmental tribal domestic violence or sexual assault coalition*

[Organization's official letterhead]

[Date]

Acting Director  
Office on Violence Against Women  
U.S. Department of Justice  
145 N Street, NE, Ste. 10W.142  
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Acting Director:

The **[name of organization]** submits this letter in support of the Grants to Indian Tribal Governments and Sexual Assault Services Program (Tribal Governments Program) application that has been submitted by **[name of lead applicant]**. **[Name of organization]** was founded in **[year organization was founded]**, and is located in **[name of city, state]**. The primary purpose of **[name of organization]** is to *[brief statement of organization's purpose or mission]*. The **[name of organization]** has experience in meeting the needs of American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) victims of *[(choose as appropriate) domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking]* by providing the following services to victims:

- List the Primary Services provided by the Organization

During the award period, **[name of lead applicant]** will be required to maintain a partnership with **[name of organization]**. **[Name of organization]** agrees to remain committed to the partnership and play a vital role in developing and implementing the project. Specifically, **[name of organization]** will:

- Provide specific details about what role your organization will play in developing and implementing the project. Clearly state how the organization will contribute to the project.

Should the partnership end, **[name of organization]** should notify OVW immediately.

**[Name of organization]** anticipates **[total amount of compensation to be received]** in order to support its work on the project. **[Name of organization]** has reviewed the budget for this application and agrees that it includes fair and reasonable compensation for the work that will be performed on this project.

Sincerely,

[Name/title of Organization's Chief Executive Officer]

*From an Advisory Committee*

[Date]

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Dear Acting Director:

This letter has been submitted in support of the FY 201X Grants to Indian Tribal Governments and Sexual Assault Services Program (Tribal Governments Program) application that was submitted by **[name of lead applicant]**. We are women who reside in **[name of community to be served by project]**, and we have agreed to serve on an advisory committee for the project if it funded. The members of the committee include/will include:

- Identify committee members by name
- State whether the members are: (1) survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking; (2) victim advocates who have experience providing services to Alaska Native or American Indian victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking; or (3) women who are concerned about the problems that domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking have caused in your community.

We are committed to working with **[name of lead applicant]** to end these crimes in our community and will meet *[state frequency (i.e., weekly, monthly, quarterly)]* to review the progress that has been made in meeting the goals and objectives of the grant project. We will also play an active role in developing and implementing the project, including:

- Briefly state the specific role that the committee will play in making sure that the project is meeting the needs of the women of the community who are the victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

Sincerely,

*[List each committee member individually and have them sign and date the letter]*

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Advisory Committee Member

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Date

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Advisory Committee Member

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Date