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IN THE NEWS

NATIONAL

[American Bar Association Resolution](#)

ABA urges bar admission authorities to consider the impact on minority applicants in deciding whether to adopt the Uniform Bar Examination (UBE) in their jurisdiction and to consider including subjects not included on the UBE, particularly Indian Law in each state or territory with sizable American Indian populations or trust land.

[National Indigenous Women's Resource Center Demands Safety and Justice for Native Women in the United States Supreme Court](#)

[Bringing Native American Stories to a National Audience](#)

United States Supreme Court Key Tribal Cases Pending

In the event of a tie 4-4 vote, the lower court's ruling would be upheld.

- Dollar General Corporation v. Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (13-1496)
- Nebraska v. Parker (14-1406)
- US v. Bryant (15-420)

CALIFORNIA

[Assembly Bill 373](#)

This bill would require each police chief, county sheriff, or other head of a law enforcement agency to assess his or her jurisdiction to determine if any Indian tribal lands, as defined, lie within the jurisdiction. The bill would require, if the police chief, county sheriff, or other head of a law enforcement agency determines that Indian tribal lands exist within his or her jurisdiction, to ensure that those peace officers employed by the agency who work in, or adjacent to, Indian tribal lands, or who may be responsible for responding to calls for service on, or adjacent to, Indian tribal lands, complete a course that includes, but is not limited to, a review of PL-280. The bill would provide that this requirement may be satisfied by ensuring that those peace officers complete a course that includes a review of PL-280 that is approved by the commission.

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EDUCATION

State Judicial Branch Online Resources

Newslinks

This is a service that the Judicial Council's Communications Office puts together every day. If you would like to receive this service, please visit this [webpage](#). There is a sign up link on the horizontal blue bar near the top of the page.

Judicial Resources Network and CJER Online

This website contains information relevant to all levels of judicial branch personnel and includes resources designed to meet education, facilities, financial, human resources, legal, special court projects, technology, and other informational needs. For more information, please contact Carolyn Bernabe at 415-865-7556 or carolynn.bernabe@jud.ca.gov.

California Dependency Online Guide (CaIDOG)

This website contains dependency-related case law, legal materials, articles and other resources relevant to California attorneys, judicial officers, social workers, tribal representatives, Court Appointed Special Advocates, and other child welfare professionals. Subscriptions are free and available to professionals working in the field of juvenile dependency. [Log in or subscribe here.](#)

New Publications

[The Beginning and End of Rape Confronting Sexual Violence in Native America](#)

By Sarah Deer

[The New Boarding Schools: Racial Biases in the State of South Dakota Continue to Fuel Constant, Willful Violations of the Indian Child Welfare Act](#)

A Report by the Lakota People's Law Project
May 2015

[State's Consultation and Collaboration with Tribes](#)

Department of Health and Human Services, Children's Bureau

[CW 360° a comprehensive look at a prevalent child welfare issue](#)

Center for Advanced Studies in Child Welfare
School of Social Work, University of Minnesota

[Combatting Domestic Violence in Indian Country](#)

Center for Court Innovation

These programs are supported with funds from the Office on Violence Against Women, U.S. Department of Justice that are administered through the Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES), the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Court Improvement Program, and the California Department of Social Services.

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[Introducing The Tribal Law and Policy Institute's Three New Publications](#)

- Tribal State Court Forums: An Annotated Directory
- Introduction to Tribal Legal Studies 3rd Edition
- Tribal Criminal Law and Procedure 2nd Edition

[The Power of Cultural Teachings For At Risk Youth-Video](#)

January 23, 2016, posted by Victoria Sweet

The White Earth Nation has released a video documenting some of the work being done to help at risk youth in the community.

[States' Consultation and Collaboration with Tribes and Reported Compliance with the Indian Child Welfare Act: Information from States' and Tribes' 2015–2019 Child and Family Services Plans](#)

This report was prepared by the Children's Bureau (ACYF, ACF) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Assistance was provided by ICF International (Contract Order # HHSP23320110015YC)

Upcoming Conferences

[11th Annual Philanthropy Institute Raising Impact with Native Voices](#)

[2016 Philanthropy Institute](#)

May 25-27, 2016

San Diego, CA

Tribal Justice trailer to be featured and discussed at this conference.

[Tribal Law and Policy Institute Announces Two Training Sessions Addressing Violence Against Indian Women](#)

February 29-March 01, 2016

Double Tree Suites by Hilton Santa Monica

Santa Monica, California

[National Conference on Juvenile Justice](#)

March 20, 2016 to March 23, 2016

Las Vegas, Nevada

MGM Grand

[Big Forum Meeting](#)

June 2-3, 2016

Los Angeles, California

The Tribal Law and Policy Institute and the Forum are cosponsoring a gathering of representatives from forums throughout the country. For more information, please contact Jenny Walter at

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[Next In-Person Meeting of Forum](#)

June 9, 2016

Los Angeles, California

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FEDERAL LEGISLATION

The [Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children Act](#) (S. 246) authorizes the establishment of a national commission that would study a broad range of issues affecting AI/AN children and families. Senator Heitkamp (D-ND) is the original co-sponsor. The bill has been reported out of committee and is now awaiting consideration by the full Senate. At a hearing in 2014, former Senator Byron Dorgan gave his support to the legislation, noting it is time that attention be brought to the challenges faced by AI/AN children, and that we work together to find solutions. Several members of SCIA also support this legislation. NICWA has endorsed this legislation and is working with Senator

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Heitkamp to address some concerns within the bill. This bill was approved by the Senate committee and is now awaiting consideration by the full Senate.

The [Native American Children's Safety Act](#) (S. 184 and H.R. 1168) establishes new mandates for tribal licensing of foster care and adoptive homes. The original co-sponsor of the Senate legislation is Senator Hoeven (R-ND), and the House bill co-sponsor is Representative Kevin Cramer (R-ND). The Senate and House bills have been reported out of their committees and are now awaiting consideration by the full Senate and House. Both the House and Senate bills have cleared their committees and are now awaiting consideration by the full House and Senate.

[Senator Wyden Solicits Comments on Child Welfare Reform Proposal](#) to expand reimbursement under the title IV-E program to allow for funding of in-home and other types of prevention services that can keep children safely in their homes without having to remove them. This proposal would also provide approximately \$470 million to the title IV-B Promoting Safe and Stable Families program. The expansion of funding and services to help reduce the number of children in foster care is similar to a FY2016 budget proposal from President Obama and is widely viewed as necessary to bring balance into the child welfare system, which has far more funding for services that require a child be removed from the home before receiving reimbursement for services. Tribes are eligible to operate both the title IV-E and Title IV-B programs and are encouraged to carefully study Senator Wyden's proposal. Senator Wyden is asking for comments on his proposal by June 12, 2016.

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

[SAMHSA's Tribal Training and Technical Assistance Center](#) The Tribal TTA Center provides training and technical assistance (TTA) on mental and substance use disorders, suicide prevention, and the promotion of mental health. We offer Broad, Focused, and Intensive TTA to federally recognized tribes, other American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) communities, SAMHSA tribal grantees, and organizations serving Indian Country.

[New Federal Grants Available for Tribal-State ICWA Programs](#)

Deadline: June 13, 2016

[State and Tribal Indian Child Welfare Act \(ICWA\) Implementation Partnership Grants](#)

Deadline: June 16, 2016

The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement is to support the creation of effective practice model partnerships between state courts and/or Court Improvement Program, state public child welfare agency and a tribe, group of tribes, or tribal consortia, including both the tribal child welfare agency and tribal court for effective implementation of the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) of 1978 (Pub.L. 95-608).

Demonstration sites will be required to jointly develop protocols and practices to promote effective and timely:

- Identification of Indian children;
- Notice to tribes;
- Tribal participation as parties in hearings involving Indian children;
- Tribal intervention in dependency cases;
- Transfer of ICWA cases to tribal courts; and
- Placement of Indian children according to tribal preferences.

Partnership models must be co-created by states and tribes, jointly implemented, and designed to generate and capture clear, measurable outcomes such as:

- Compliance with identification methods;
- The number of Indian children identified;
- Length of time from removal or petition filed until identification is made;
- Number of notices sent;
- Length of time from identification until notice sent (state measure)
- Number of notices received (tribal measure)

- Length of time for tribal intervention or participation; (tribal measure)
- Number of cases in which a tribe intervenes; (joint measure)
- Number of transfers; (joint measure); and
- Number of Indian children placed according to tribal placement preferences (joint measure).

[U.S. Department of Justice Access to Justice Grant Information](#)

Criminal - [Grants](#) | [Training & Technical Assistance](#)
Juvenile - [Grants](#) | [Training & Technical Assistance](#)
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[Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act \(SORNA\) Workshops and National Symposium on Sex Offender Management and Accountability Planning Project](#)

Deadline: February 18, 2016

The U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), Office of Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering and Tracking is seeking applications for planning up to three regional Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (SORNA) workshop, a National Symposium on Sex Offender Management and Accountability, and events surrounding the 10th Anniversary of the Adam Walsh Act. Although the award will be made in 2016, it is anticipated that the National Symposium on Sex Offender Management and Accountability will be held in 2018. Funding will be made available in subsequent years to support future SORNA workshops and conferences, contingent upon the grantee's performance, overall evaluations, and availability of funds. This program furthers the Department's mission by assisting states, the District of Columbia, U.S. territories, and certain federally-recognized Indian tribes with implementation and ongoing maintenance of requirements under the Adam Walsh Protection and Safety Act of 2006, specifically Subtitle A of Title I, the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (SORNA).

[2016 Community Court Grant Program](#)

Deadline: February 19, 2016

Applicants for Category 1 grants may propose to use funding for court operations, project management, resource coordination, offender supervision, case management, and social services such as drug treatment, individual and group counseling, job training and placement, housing placement assistance, primary and mental health care, and childcare.

Enhancement grants are available to jurisdictions with a fully operational community court. To be eligible, the community court must have been operating for at least three months as of January 1, 2016. Applicants for Category 2 grants must also have buy-in from key stakeholders for the enhancement project

[U.S. Department of Justice-Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation](#)

Deadline: February 23, 2016

The U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) is pleased to announce that it is seeking applications for funding to improve public safety and victim services in tribal communities. This solicitation provides federally recognized tribes and tribal consortia an opportunity to develop a comprehensive and coordinated approach to public safety and victimization issues and to apply for funding. The DOJ's existing Tribal Government-specific programs are included in and available through this single Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation.

Applicants must register with GMS prior to submitting an application. An applicant will not be able to submit an application without registering in GMS before the application deadline of 9:00 p.m. Eastern Time (ET) on February 23, 2016. Applicants should begin the registration process immediately to meet the GMS registration deadline, especially if this is the first time using the system. It is strongly recommended that applicants register early, but no later than Tuesday, February 2, 2016, in order to resolve difficulties well in advance of the application deadline. See Section H "How to Apply" for further details.

[Transitional Housing Assistance Grants for Victims of Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking Solicitation](#)

Deadline: February 24, 2016

This program is authorized by 42 U.S.C. § 13975. The Transitional Housing Assistance Grants for Victims of Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking Program (Transitional Housing Assistance Grant Program) focuses on a holistic, victim-centered approach to providing transitional housing services that move survivors into permanent housing. Awards support programs that provide assistance to victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and/or stalking who are in need of transitional housing, short-term housing assistance, and related support services. Successful transitional housing programs provide a wide range of optional services that reflect the unique needs of victims and promote victim choice and autonomy. Transitional housing programs may offer support services, such as counseling, support groups, safety planning, advocacy, child care, employment services, transportation vouchers, and referrals to other agencies. Trained staff work with survivors to help them determine and reach their goals for permanent housing.

[Grants to Enhance Culturally Specific Services for Victims of Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence and Stalking Program Solicitation](#)

Deadline: February 24, 2016

The Grants to Enhance Culturally Specific Services for Victims of Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence and Stalking Program supports community-based non-profit organizations in providing culturally relevant services to victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking.

[Second Chance Act Strengthening Relationships Between Young Fathers, Young Mothers, and Their Children](#)

Deadline: March 3, 2016

This program will support the successful and safe transition of young fathers and young mothers from detention, out-of-home placement, or incarceration to their families and communities. This initiative is composed of two categories. Applicants must clearly designate under which category they are applying. Applicants may submit an application under both categories. Each category requires a separate application, and each application must align with the target population of the category under which it is being submitted. OJJDP will not consider applications combining services for mothers and fathers.

[Mentoring for Child Victims of Commercial Sexual Exploitation and Domestic Sex Trafficking Initiative](#)

Deadline: March 7, 2016

This program supports efforts of eligible applicant organizations to develop or enhance their mentoring capacity, facilitate outreach efforts, and increase the availability of direct services for child victims (17 years old or younger) of commercial sexual exploitation (CSE) and domestic sex trafficking (DST). Under this initiative, OJJDP expects successful applicants to join current and previously funded grantees and to work with OJJDP's training and technical assistance provider to develop or enhance mentoring service models and mentor training based on best practices to focus on the needs of girls and boys, including lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) youth who are at risk or are victims of CSE/DST; develop or update strategies to recruit and maintain mentors to serve this target population; begin or enhance efforts to identify and enroll girls and boys, including LGBTQ youth, who are in need of services; and provide needed services to these youth.

[Victims of Child Abuse Regional Children's Advocacy Centers Program](#)

Deadline: March 7, 2016

The Victims of Child Abuse Regional Children's Advocacy Centers program supports four regional centers, one situated within each of the four U.S. Census regions, that (1) develop multidisciplinary teams, local programs, and state chapter organizations that respond to child abuse and neglect; and (2) deliver training and technical assistance that strengthen existing multidisciplinary teams, programs, and state chapter organizations.

[FY 2016 National Girls Initiative](#)

Deadline: March 8, 2016

Eligible applicants are limited to nonprofit and for-profit organizations (including tribal nonprofit and for-profit organizations) and institutions of higher education (including tribal institutions of higher education).

This program provides training, technical assistance, and resources to state, tribal, community, and private organizations that serve at-risk and justice system-involved girls. The selected applicant will serve as OJJDP's principal technical assistance provider addressing girls and their involvement with the juvenile justice system.

[Research on Measurement of Teen Dating Violence](#)

Deadline: March 9, 2016

NIJ is seeking proposals for measurement research related to teen dating violence (a.k.a. adolescent relationship abuse). In particular, NIJ is seeking proposals that advance the accurate and developmentally appropriate measurement of dating violence perpetration and victimization among adolescents and young adults.

[Training and Services to End Violence Against Women with Disabilities Grant Program](#)

March 10, 2016

This program is authorized by 42 U.S.C. 3796gg-7. The goal of the Disability Grant Program is to create sustainable change within and between organizations that results in increased capacity to respond to individuals with disabilities and Deaf individuals who are victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking and to hold perpetrators of such crimes accountable. Disability Grant Program funds will be used to establish and strengthen multidisciplinary collaborative relationships; increase organizational capacity to provide accessible, safe, and effective services to individuals with disabilities and Deaf individuals who are victims of violence and abuse; and identify needs within the grantee's organization and/or service area, and develop a plan to address those identified needs that builds a strong foundation for future work.

[Department of Health and Human Services Family Violence Prevention and Services/Domestic Violence Shelter and Supportive Services/Grants to Native American Tribes](#)

Deadline: March 15, 2016

This announcement governs the proposed award of formula grants under the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) to Native American Tribes (including Alaska Native villages) and tribal organizations. The purpose of these grants is to: 1) assist tribes in efforts to increase public awareness about, and primary and secondary prevention of, family violence, domestic violence, and dating violence; and 2) assist tribes in efforts to provide immediate shelter and supportive services for victims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, and their dependents (42 U.S.C. §§10401(b)(1)-(2)).

[2015-16 American Indian Child Abuse Treatment \(NA and XA\) Programs RFP](#)

Deadline: March 15, 2016

The NA & XA Programs have identical objectives and will focus on providing child abuse treatment services to American Indian child victims of crime in CA (regardless if victims report the crime/abuse to law enforcement or other investigatory bodies).

[Notice of Availability of Funds and Funding Opportunity Announcement for the Strengthening Working Families Initiative](#)

Deadline: March 16, 2016

As a part of the Administration's efforts to support working families, the U.S. Department of Labor (or USDOL) will make approximately \$25 million in grant funds available for Strengthening Working Families Initiative (SWFI) grant program to address education and training barriers for low-to middle-skilled parents by prioritizing the needs of this targeted population; addressing child care needs for parents seeking education and training; increasing access to child care resources; and bridging the gap between the workforce development and child care systems. Applicants may propose projects up to \$4 million.

[Tribal Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program: Implementation and Expansion Grants](#)

Deadline: March 23, 2016

This funding opportunity announcement (FOA) provides fiscal year (FY) 2016 funds for the Tribal Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program (Tribal MIECHV) Implementation and Expansion Grants. Funds will support 5-year grants (cooperative agreements) between the Administration for Children and Families (ACF) and federally-recognized Indian tribes (or a consortium of Indian tribes), tribal organizations, or urban Indian organizations that are currently operating an evidence-based home visiting program and propose to sustain and/or expand their established infrastructure for home visiting services in tribal communities.

[Grants to Enhance Culturally Specific Services for Victims of Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence and Stalking Program Solicitation](#)

Deadline: March 25, 2016

The Grants to Enhance Culturally Specific Services for Victims of Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence and Stalking Program supports community-based non-profit organizations in providing culturally relevant services to victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking.

[Historic Preservation Fund Tribal Heritage Grants](#)

Deadline: March 31, 2016

The National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 authorizes grants to Federally recognized Indian tribes for cultural and historic preservation projects. These grants assist Indian Tribes, Alaskan Natives, and Native Hawaiian Organizations in protecting and promoting their unique cultural heritage and traditions.

[Grants to Expand Substance Abuse Treatment Capacity in Adult Treatment Drug Courts and Adult Tribal Healing to Wellness Courts](#)

Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) Information

FOA Number: TI-16-009

Application Due Date: Monday, April 4, 2016

[Youth with Sexual Behavior Problems Program](#)

Deadline: April 4, 2016

This program will fund agencies that use a comprehensive, multidisciplinary approach to provide intervention and supervision services for youth with sexual behavior problems and treatment services for their child victims and families. Award recipients will target services for youth with sexual behavior problems, their child victim(s), and parents/caregivers of the offending youth and child victims. Youth participating in this program must undergo a mental health evaluation to determine if they are amenable to community-based treatment and intervention. Youth targeted for program services should have no prior history of court involvement for sexual offenses. OJJDP must approve any deviation from this target population parameter prior to admission to the program. This program solicitation has two parts. Category 1 (program sites) will provide funding to as many as three sites for the purposes described above. Category 2 (support, training, and technical assistance) will fund one awardee to provide support and technical assistance to the program sites selected under Category 1.

Core State Violence and Injury Prevention Program (Core SVIPP)

Deadline: April 8, 2016

The overall purpose of this funding is to: 1) decrease and prevent injury and violence related morbidity and mortality and 2) increase sustainability of injury prevention programs and practices. This will be achieved through support to State Health Departments (SHDs) in the implementation, evaluation and dissemination of programs, practices, and policies with the best available evidence (see Glossary for best available evidence definition). Strategies that address injury and violence prevention (IVP) through the lens of shared risk and protective factors are encouraged to promote maximum impact of limited resources. Required strategies will align with NCIPC priorities related to child abuse and neglect, traumatic brain injury (TBI), motor vehicle crash injury and death, and intimate partner/sexual violence. Technical Information Management Section Department of Health and Human Services CDC Office of Financial Resources Office of Grants Services 2920 Brandywine Road, MS E-14 Atlanta, GA 30341 Telephone: 770-488-2700 pgotim@cdc.gov

[Grants to Tribes, Tribal Organizations, and Migrant Programs for Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention Programs](#)

Deadline: April 14, 2016

The primary purpose of this funding opportunity announcement is to provide financial support to selected tribes, tribal organizations, and migrant programs for child abuse prevention programs and activities that are consistent with the goals outlined by Title II of the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA). The funds must support effective and comprehensive child abuse prevention activities and family support services that will enhance the lives and ensure the safety and well-being of migrant and Native American children and their families. Organizations should foster strong linkages with the State Lead Agency for the Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention Programs funded by Title II of the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act. Some examples of programs that may be funded include, but are

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not limited to, voluntary home visiting, respite care, parenting education, family resource centers, domestic violence services, and other family support services. Grantees are strongly encouraged to implement evidence-based and evidence-informed programs and practices that reflect the unique cultural characteristics and needs of their communities. The funds must also be used to support an evaluation of the programs and services funded by the grant. Finally, programs funded should develop stronger linkages with the Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention Program (CBCAP) State Lead Agency funded under Title II of CAPTA. It is anticipated that three grants will be funded under this announcement. The funding period will be for 5 years.

[Native American Tribes Outreach, Education, and Training to Enhance Food Safety and FSMA Compliance](#)

Deadline: April 21, 2016

FDA announces the availability of funding and requests applications for Native American Tribes, Outreach, Education and Training, for the purpose of Enhancing Food Safety and FSMA Compliance for fiscal year (FY) 2016. Projects will research and identify outreach, education, training and technical assistance needs; and develop and adapt materials; and deliver training that facilitate the integration and understanding of federal food safety regulations and guidance among Native American tribes involved in agricultural produce production and food manufacturing/process, while taking into account tribal historical, cultural, and regional agricultural production and processing practices.

[Elder Abuse Prevention Demonstration Project: Planning Phase](#)

Deadline: May 2, 2016

NIJ, in collaboration with other Federal agencies, is interested in funding a cooperative agreement to conduct a rigorous, multi-year demonstration project to prevent abuse, neglect, and/or financial exploitation among community-residing elderly individuals identified to be at risk. Ultimately, the demonstration project will include development and implementation of the intervention, and, pending funding, a rigorous scientific evaluation of its effectiveness. Successful proposals will develop an intervention that: 1) specifies a theory of change; 2) builds upon evidence-based violence prevention interventions in related areas; 3) identifies a rationale and strategy for selecting participants; and 4) is designed to be replicated, scaled up, and independently evaluated if the demonstration project indicates effectiveness in preventing elder abuse. Applicants may develop and test interventions to prevent either a single form or multiple forms of elder mistreatment. Initial funding under this solicitation will cover an 18-month planning phase. Upon successful completion of the planning phase, additional funding may become available to support the implementation of an 18-month pilot study.

[2016 PHMSA HMEP Native American Tribes Grant Opportunity](#)

Deadline: May 2, 2016

The Hazardous Materials Transportation Uniform Safety Act of 1990 (P.L. 101-615), authorizes DOT to provide assistance to public sector employees through training and planning grants to States, Territories, and federally recognized Native American Tribes for emergency response. The purpose of this grant program is to increase State, Territorial, Tribal, and local effectiveness in safely and efficiently handling hazardous materials incidents, enhance implementation of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986 (EPCRA), and encourage a comprehensive approach to emergency training and planning by incorporating the unique challenges of responses to transportation situations. This funding announcement is for Federally Recognized Native American Tribes only. States and Territories are to apply under the 2016 PHMSA HMEP State and Territory funding announcement in grants.gov.

[Foster/Adoptive Parent Preparation, Training and Development Project](#)

Deadline: May 27, 2016

The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is to award one cooperative agreement to an organization to develop a state-of-the-art foster/adoptive parent training program to include intensive preparation and development components that reflect the capacities required of successful foster/adoptive parents. This is intended to be a product that could be utilized by all states, tribes, and territories and consistently applied wherever implemented. Development of this program would include research on the common characteristics of individuals and their foster/adoptive families that have succeeded in terms of well-being and stability. Common characteristics of families that are more likely to foster and/or adopt harder to place children/youth and are successful and remain committed to the relationship will be identified and integrated into the program.

[State and Tribal Indian Child Welfare Act \(ICWA\) Implementation Partnership Grants](#)

Deadline: June 12, 2016

The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement is to support the creation of effective practice model partnerships between state courts and/or Court Improvement Program, state public child welfare agency and a tribe, group of tribes, or tribal consortia, including both the tribal child welfare agency and tribal court for effective implementation of the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) of 1978 (Pub.L. 95-608).

[State and Tribal Indian Child Welfare Act \(ICWA\) Implementation Partnership Grants](#)

Deadline: June 13, 2016

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[Veterans Cemetery Grants](#)

Deadline: July 31, 2016

Grants are available for states, territories and federally recognized tribal governments. This program is implemented in 38 Code of Federal Regulations Part 39.

[FY 2016 Land Buy-Back Program for Tribal Nations](#)

Deadline: September 30, 2016

The Secretary of the Interior established the Land Buy-Back Program for Tribal Nations (Buy-Back Program, Program) to implement the land consolidation provisions of the Cobell Settlement Agreement, which provided \$1.9 billion to consolidate fractional land interests across Indian country. The Buy-Back Program allows interested individual owners to sell their land for immediate transfer to the recognized tribe that exercises jurisdiction. This effort will strengthen tribal sovereignty and put decision-making in the hands of the tribal government, freeing up resources that have been locked-up as land interests that have fractionated over time. The Buy-Back Program has announced 42 locations where land consolidation activities such as planning, outreach, mapping, mineral evaluations, appraisals or acquisitions are scheduled to take place through the middle of 2017. The Buy-Back Program is interested in partnering with the eligible tribes that have jurisdiction over these 42 locations, as well as any locations that are added to the implementation schedule, to gain their direct participation in land consolidation efforts given tribes' unique qualifications to perform land consolidation activities for their reservations. Consequently, the Program intends to, whenever feasible and practical, enter into single source cooperative agreements with these eligible tribes to not only capitalize on their unique knowledge of their reservations but also to improve the overall effectiveness and efficiency of the Program. Eligible tribes will be given the opportunity to apply for a cooperative agreement, whenever feasible and practical, prior to the implementation of the Buy-Back Program at the location under their jurisdiction. The Buy-Back Program will continue to expand to other reservations over the next several years, and tribes with jurisdiction over locations not yet scheduled for implementation will receive information about how they can participate once their reservations are scheduled. Tribes are encouraged to contact Program staff for more information on developing the cooperative agreement application prior to submission. Tribes are not required to enter into cooperative agreements to participate in the Program.

[Exploratory Clinical Trials of Novel Interventions for Mental Disorders \(R61/R33\)](#)

Deadline: October 14, 2016

The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to support the efficient pilot testing of novel interventions for mental disorders in adults and children through an experimental therapeutics approach. Under this FOA, trials must be designed so that results, whether positive or negative, will provide information of high scientific utility and will support go/no-go decisions about further development or testing of the intervention. Studies of novel interventions include, but are not limited to behavioral, pharmacological, biologics-based, cognitive, device-based, interpersonal, physiological, or combined approaches. Support will be provided for up to two years (R61 phase) for preliminary milestone-driven testing of the interventions engagement of the therapeutic target, possibly followed by up to 3 years of support (R33 phase) for studies to replicate target engagement and relate change in the intervention target to functional or clinical effects. Ultimately, this R61/R33 FOA is intended to speed the translation of emerging basic science findings of mechanisms and processes underlying mental disorders into novel

interventions that can be efficiently tested for their promise in restoring function and reducing symptoms for those living with mental disorders.

[Community-Based Grants for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect or Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention](#)

Deadline: October 31, 2017

In general, these funds should be used to support primary prevention (a.k.a., universal) programs and strategies which are available to all families, as well as secondary (a.k.a., targeted) prevention efforts, which target children and families at risk for abuse or neglect.

[Aidan's Red Envelope Foundation](#)

Deadline: Open

Families of a disabled child and organizations helping disabled children, can apply for grants from Aidan's Red Envelope Foundation. At this time, Aidan's Red Envelope Foundation can only consider applicant families in the Southern California area. Grant awards are limited to \$5000. Grant Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis.

[California Wellness Foundation](#)

Deadline: Open

The mission of The California Wellness Foundation is to improve the health of the people of California by making grants for health promotion, wellness education and disease prevention. Since its founding in 1992, Cal Wellness has awarded 7,690 grants totaling more than \$912 million.

[Healthy Habits: Timing for Developing Sustainable Healthy Behaviors in Children and Adolescents](#)

Deadline: Open

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) seeks to encourage applications that employ innovative research to identify mechanisms of influence and/or promote positive sustainable health behavior(s) in children and youth (birth to age 21). Applications to promote positive health behavior(s) should target social and cultural factors, including, but not limited to: schools, families, communities, population, food industry, age-appropriate learning tools and games, social media, social networking, technology and mass media. Topics to be addressed in this announcement include: effective, sustainable processes for influencing young people to make healthy behavior choices; identification of the appropriate stage of influence for learning sustainable lifelong health behaviors; the role of technology and new media in promoting healthy behavior; identification of factors that support healthy behavior development in vulnerable populations, identification of barriers to healthy behaviors; and, identification of mechanisms and mediators that are common to the development of a range of habitual health behaviors. Given the many factors involved in developing sustainable health behaviors, applications from multidisciplinary teams are strongly encouraged. The ultimate goal of this FOA is to promote research that identifies and enhances processes that promote sustainable positive behavior or changes social and cultural norms that influence health and future health behaviors.

[Integrated Food Defense](#)

Deadline: Open applications until April 2, 2019

The Integrated Food Defense & Emergency Response Cooperative Agreement Program (IFD&ER CAP) grant awards are designed to generate food defense tools and resources that are easily replicated and can complement, aid in the development of, and/or improve State, local, Tribal and territorial (SLTT) food defense programs through unique, innovative, and reproducible projects. The known overlap between food safety (unintentional contamination) and food defense (intentional contamination) is extensive. And the pools of resources available are vast and sometimes difficult to locate and implement. As the Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) recognizes the evolution of the relationship between food safety and food defense, it is critical that these programs be integrated to the maximum extent possible in order to ensure the most efficient use of resources, as well as to optimize responses to incidents and events.

[Interventions for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention in Native American Populations](#)

Deadline: Open

The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is to develop, adapt, and test the effectiveness of health promotion and disease prevention interventions in Native American (NA) populations. NA populations are exposed to considerable risk factors that significantly increase their

likelihood of chronic disease, substance abuse, mental illness, oral diseases, and HIV-infection. The intervention program should be culturally appropriate and promote the adoption of healthy lifestyles, improve behaviors and social conditions and/or improve environmental conditions related to chronic diseases, the consumption of tobacco, alcohol and other drugs, mental illness, oral disease, or HIV-infection. The intervention program should be designed so that it could be sustained within the entire community within existing resources, and, if successful, disseminated in other Native American communities. The long-term goal of this FOA is to reduce mortality and morbidity in NA communities.

Lannan Indigenous Communities Program

Deadline: Open

The Indigenous Communities Program (ICP) supports the resolve of Native Americans to renew their communities through their own institutions and traditions. Funding priority is given to rural indigenous projects that are consistent with traditional values in the areas of education, Native cultures, the revival and preservation of languages, legal rights, and environmental protection. At this time the foundation only accepts new grant requests from United States federally recognized tribes or Native controlled 501(c)(3) organizations whose work is solely focused in the United States.

Notice of Intent Establishment of an Inter-tribal Technical Assistance Energy Providers Network

Deadline: Notice of Intent, due date not applicable

The Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs (Office of Indian Energy) intends to issue a Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) in February, 2016 entitled “Establishment of an Inter-Tribal Technical Assistance Energy Providers Network”. Through this planned FOA, the Office of Indian Energy will continue its efforts to maximize the development and deployment of energy solutions for the benefit of American Indians and Alaska Natives and together, with “inter-tribal organizations”, intends to provide tribal communities and Alaska Native villages the knowledge, skills, and resources needed to implement successful strategic energy solutions. It is envisioned that “inter-tribal organizations” will structure their technical assistance to best meet the needs of their member Indian tribes and/or Alaska Native villages, resulting in clear measurable outcomes or end-products that include a plan to become financially sufficient beyond DOE’s Office of Indian Energy funding. As part of these inter-tribal regional programs, it is envisioned that energy experts would: 1) Coordinate energy solutions among participating Indian Tribes (including Alaska Native regional corporations and village corporations); 2) Network with regional and national energy organizations; 3) Deliver technical assistance to participating Indian Tribes (including Alaska Native regional corporations and village corporations) within the region; 4) Build the human capacity of participating Indian Tribes (including Alaska Native regional corporations and village corporations) by providing information to Tribal leaders and staff through workshops or webinars; 5) Serve as an information clearinghouse; 6) Advise DOE’s Office of Indian Energy on the energy goals and needs within their region; and 7) Enhance DOE’s technical assistance network across Indian Country. The full Notice of Intent DE-FOA-0001452 is posted in the FOA Documents section of this NOI. NO APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED THROUGH THIS NOTICE. Please do not submit questions or respond to this Notice of Intent. Prospective applicants to the FOA should begin developing partnerships, formulating ideas, and gathering data in anticipation of the issuance of this FOA. DOE plans to issue the FOA in or around the first calendar quarter in 2016. In order to apply, any interested applicants must first register and create an account on the EERE eXCHANGE website. A User Guide for EERE eXCHANGE can be found on the EERE website <https://eere-exchange.energy.gov/Manuals.aspx> after logging in to the system.

Surdna Foundation- Teens’ Artistic and Cultural Advancement

Deadline: Open (Letters of Inquiry) <http://www.surdna.org>

This foundation seeks organizations that have a proven and longstanding commitment to serving teens and that emphasize skill building. This funding is designed to:

- Provide high quality arts training that integrate life skills. These skills include: written and oral communication, problem-solving, critical thinking, and leadership development;
- Encourage teens to connect to their cultural identity through art-making;
- Provide young people with a well-developed, sequential curriculum that meets the increasing skills of participants;
- Foster strong mentoring opportunities for artists with teens;
- Employ accomplished faculty and guest artists who engage teens in art forms that reflect their cultural interests and community;

- Use research and evaluation tools to track the progress of teens’ success over time;
- Share best practices in regards to training and evaluation in order to strengthen the field of youth arts training.

[Tribal Justice Support Directorate](#)

Deadline: Open

Tribal Justice Support provides funding guidance, technical support, and advisory services to tribal courts and the Courts of Indian Offenses. This includes providing funding to tribal courts, training directed to specific needs of tribal court personnel, promoting cooperation and coordination among tribal justice systems and Federal and state judiciary systems, and providing oversight for the continuing operations for the Courts of Indian Offenses. The Division also works with tribes to conduct tribal court reviews which are conducted using a modified model of the Tribal Court Performance Standards (TCPS). The TCPS assists tribal courts in identifying existing problems and formulating strategies for improvement of tribal courts and provides an outcome-oriented conceptual framework of tribal court performance areas, standards, and measures.