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### IN THE NEWS

#### [Dakota Pipeline: What's Behind the Controversy?](#)

BBC

February 7, 2017

For background and timeline of events.

#### [Dakota Access Pipeline Protest](#)

CNN

February 23, 2017

The main Standing Rock protest camp near the Dakota Access Pipeline was cleared a day after a deadline to leave the area expired. Over 100 protesters left voluntarily. At least 23 people holding out in the camp were arrested Thursday morning after they refused to leave and another 23 people were arrested as the cleanup of the site progressed, North Dakota authorities said.

#### [Amicus Briefs Filed in Dakota Access Pipeline](#)

Tribal Law and Policy Institute

February 23, 2017

The Tribal Law and Policy Institute stands with Standing Rock to Ensure Safety for Native Women and Children and joins the National Indigenous Women's Resource Center and over 118 Tribal Nations and organizations in urging the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia to declare the Army Corps' early termination of the Environmental Impact Statement process and grant of an easement to Dakota Access unlawful.

#### [Gila River Indian Community to Argue Child Custody Case Before Arizona State Supreme Court](#)

Casa Grande Dispatch

February 20, 2017

The Arizona Supreme Court has granted the petition for review filed by attorneys for the Gila River Indian Community giving them an opportunity to argue before the justices in a controversial case involving the future of a Native American child being permanently removed from the community.

#### [Federal Court Protects Klamath Salmon, Tribal and Fishing Communities](#)

Earth Justice

February 8, 2017

San Francisco — Today, a U.S. District Court judge [ordered](#) federal agencies to immediately take steps to protect juvenile coho salmon after several years of deadly disease outbreaks in the Klamath River.

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#### **SB 1460 Approved Tribes/Tribal Agencies**

CDSS Announcement-By Vevila Hussey  
February 3, 2017

Provision 15 of Section 13 of AB 1623 (Chapter 318 Statutes of 2016) provides the California Department of Social Services with the authority to reimburse SB1460 Approved Tribes/Tribal Agencies for a one-time live scan machine purchase, when that live scan purchase is used for the evaluation of potential relative, foster and adoptive tribally approved homes, and the purchase is made between July 1, 2016-June 30, 2017. For more information contact [TribalBackgroundChecks@DSS.CA.Gov](mailto:TribalBackgroundChecks@DSS.CA.Gov).

#### **Identifying and Reducing Disparities in Mental Health Outcomes Among American Indians and Alaskan Natives Using Public Health, Mental Healthcare and Legal Perspective**

Adm Policy Mental Health

By Hannah E. Payne, Michalyn Steele, Jennie L. Bingham,  
Chantel D. Sloan  
January 31, 2017

The purpose of this paper was to investigate disparities in mental healthcare delivery in American Indian/ Alaska Native populations from three perspectives: public health, legal policy and mental healthcare and provide evidence-based recommendations toward reducing those disparities.

#### **Kempenich, Steiner Introduced House Concurrent Resolution 3017**

**North Dakota Legislature**

January 28, 2017

Sixty-fifth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota Introduced by Representatives Kempenich, Steiner:

*"A concurrent resolution urging Congress to modify the Indian reservation system by vesting the STATES with the ability to engage in relations with Native American tribes and with the responsibility of developing plans to improve the failed Indian reservation system, advance and elevate the quality of life on Indian reservations, promote and increase literacy on Indian reservations, and help Indian reservations to achieve economic stability and independence."*

#### **Leonard Peltier Denied Clemency**

By Matthew L.M. Fletcher  
Turtle Talk  
January 19, 2017

#### **B.C. Launches Aboriginal Family Court Pilot to Reduce Indigenous Kids in Care**

Vancouver Sun

January 24, 2017

The Canadian Press British Columbia hopes to reduce the over-representation of indigenous children in government care with a new aboriginal family court pilot program. The Aboriginal Family Healing Court Conference pilot program will be based in New Westminster, and limited to hearing family case conferences after an initial court hearing has already been held.

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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## Webinars and Videos

### [FY 17 CTAS Applicant Webinar Schedule](#)

In an effort to provide guidance on the FY 17 Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS), the Department of Justice is sponsoring a webinar series that will focus on educating applicants about CTAS application requirements and purpose areas. The key goals of the purpose area-specific webinars are to:

- Highlight key application and purpose area requirements;
- Identify tools and resources for applicants that will facilitate the application process; and
- Provide opportunities for applicants to obtain detailed information regarding purpose areas of interest from the subject matter experts.

### [Webinar Series To Discuss New Juvenile Drug Treatment Court Guidelines](#)

- Part Two: New [Juvenile Drug Treatment Court Guidelines](#): Implications for Practice. Date: February 22, 2017.

### [Funding for Forensic Exams: VAWA 2013 Requirements and Crime Victims Compensation \(VOCA\)](#)

February 13, 2017, 2:00pm–3:30pm (Eastern)

This 90-minute webinar will

- Describe the requirements for states regarding payment of sexual assault forensic examinations
- Describe the different ways that states meet these requirements and how tribal health care providers can learn about payment in their state
- Provide basic information on Crime Victim's Compensation

### [Webinar-Indigenous Healing-Mind, Body, Spirit](#)

February 22, 2017, 3:00-4:30 (CST)

Understanding the mind body spirit connection, using its power and accessing its' benefits is the basis of holistic healing. The concept of mind body spirit has been rooted in the culture and traditions of Indigenous peoples for thousands of years and is central to our belief and healing systems. Our healing systems and cultural practices took advantage of the power of belief or mind over body.

[Partners in Justice—Bureau of Indian Affairs Victim Specialists](#) is a new video that presents an overview of the U.S. Department of the Interior's Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Victim Specialist Program. The video, prepared by OVC and BIA, identifies some of the program's successes and challenges providing services to victims of crime in Indian Country.

The video provides an explanation of the services available to Native victims of crime through the program and how the program complements tribally operated victim services programs.

View this video and other OVC materials designed to inform and assist victim service providers and allied professionals in their efforts to help crime victims in Indian Country by visiting the [OVC Tribal Multimedia Resources](#) page

## Publications

### [American Indian Law Journal — Fall 2016 Volume](#)

Posted by Matthew L.M. Fletcher—[Turtle Talk](#)

January 25, 2017

### [ICWA Guide for Tribal Governments and Leaders](#)

Capacity Building Center For Tribes

January 2017

### [Special Focus: Indian Child Welfare](#)

American Bar Association Child Law Practice Online

January/February 2017

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## 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](#).

### Judicial Resources Network (JRN) and Center for Judicial Education and Research (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 Carolynn Bernabe at 415-865-7556 or [carolynn.bernabe@jud.ca.gov](mailto:carolynn.bernabe@jud.ca.gov).

### California Dependency Online Guide (CalDOG)

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](#).

## Upcoming Conferences

### [National Conference on Juvenile Justice](#)

February 12-15, 2017, New York, NY

The National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges will hold its National Conference on Juvenile Justice in New York, NY. This conference will feature cutting-edge information, state-of-the-art programs, and current research related to the juvenile justice system.

### [2017 National Conference-Child Welfare League of America \(CWLA\)](#)

March 29-31, 2017, Washington DC

CWLA's 2017 National Conference, Advancing Excellence in Practice and Policy: Highlighting Successful Strategies to Address the Needs of Children, Youth, and Families. This conference is a prime opportunity for America's new administration, influential service providers, leaders, advocates, youth, and families to meet and promote excellence in policy and practice around today's critical topics and their effect on children, youth, and families. Register Today!

### [35<sup>th</sup> Annual Protecting Our Children National American Indian Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect](#)

April 2-5 2017, San Diego, CA

### [ICWA Basics with Regulations Updates-Positive Indian Parenting](#)

April 5-7, 2017, San Diego, CA

### [Moving from Research to Policy and Practice to Improve the Lives of Youth](#)

April 6-7, 2017, Georgetown University

Presentations and panel discussions will highlight cutting-edge issues in the juvenile justice, child welfare, education, and behavioral health arenas. The conference is designed for policymakers, practitioners, researchers, educators, judicial officials, community leaders, family members, foundation representatives, and stakeholders.

### [Department of Justice's National Indian Country Training Initiative \(NICTI\): Forensic Interviewing of Child and Adolescent Victims and Witnesses in Indian Country Seminar](#)

May 1-4, 2017

National Advocacy Center in Columbia, South Carolina

The is pleased to announce the Travel and lodging accommodations will be paid for by the Department of Justice's Office of Legal Education. Forensic interviewing is an interviewing process used with children for the purpose of providing evidence to the police, prosecutors, and the court in the investigation and prosecution of suspected abuse. The goal of a forensic interview is to obtain a statement from a child in a developmentally-

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sensitive, unbiased, and truth seeking manner. This training is specifically designed for investigators, prosecutors, and social workers who have responsibility for conducting forensic interviews of child and adolescent victims and witnesses. Priority will be given to those individuals working cases in Indian Country. In this course, the attendee will receive instruction on the latest research-based information on interviewing techniques, and will be provided opportunities to develop and refine interviewing skills during child interviewing exercises.

## **2017 Symposium on Fairness and Equity Issues in Child Welfare Training and Education (see attachment for “save the date flyer”)**

May 10, 2017

Clark Kerr Conference Center at the University of California, Berkeley.

This year's theme, *Equity from the Start*, focuses primarily on practice issues related to the early childhood years. The presentations are pertinent to trainers, educators, and advocates in child welfare, behavioral health, and other related systems and disciplines that concern young children. Online registration will be available starting the week of March 27, 2017. For questions about event logistics, please contact Gloria

Banderas: [gbalderas@berkeley.edu](mailto:gbalderas@berkeley.edu).

## **Tribal Law Enforcement Executive Symposium: Breaking Down Jurisdictional Walls**

May 10-11, 2017

Warm Springs, OR

Hosted by the Western Community Policing Institute at the Warm Springs Reservation in Oregon. Session focusing on Oregon's experience with tribal law enforcement authority as well as other national and tribal experiences and updates around jurisdiction and law enforcement issues.

## **GRANT OPPORTUNITIES**

### **Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs Funding Opportunities**

#### **Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance Department of Health and Human Services**

The Administration for Children and Families, Administration for Native Americans provides funds for community-based projects for the Native Language Preservation and Maintenance program. The Native Language Preservation and Maintenance program provides funding for projects to support assessments of the status of the native languages in an established community, as well as the planning, designing, restoration, and implementing of native language curriculum and education projects to support a community's language preservation goals.

#### **State and Tribal Grant Programs**

The Children's Bureau provides matching funds to states, tribes, and communities to help them operate every aspect of their child welfare systems, including child maltreatment prevention, adoption, and information systems.

#### **Injury Prevention Program**

**Deadline: February 26, 2017**

The purpose of this Indian Health Service (IHS) cooperative agreement is to promote the capability of Tribes, Indian organizations and urban Indian organizations to build and maintain sustainable, effective injury prevention programs: a) increase the understanding of the injury problem by Tribes/Indian organizations/urban Indian organizations; b) promote Tribal capacity to implement effective strategies to prevent injuries in Tribal communities; and c) to improve the quality of life of AI/AN people. This cooperative agreement opportunity is available to any applicant that does not have a current IHS injury prevention cooperative agreement. There is no IHS user population requirement. Applicants will only be issued one award: Part II- IPP Effective Strategy Project. Applications should be sure to respond to the appropriate "Criteria" under Section V- Application Review Information.

#### **Enhanced Collaborative Model to Combat Human Trafficking Competitive Solicitation**

**Deadline: February 27, 2017**

The Enhanced Collaborative Model to Combat Human Trafficking Program is designed to support the development and enhancement of multidisciplinary human trafficking task forces that implement collaborative

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approaches to combat all forms of human trafficking, including sex and labor trafficking of both foreign nationals and U.S. citizens (of all genders and ages), within the United States. The task force will implement victim-centered, collaborative and sustainable approaches to: identify victims of all types of human trafficking; investigate and prosecute sex trafficking and labor trafficking cases at the local, state, tribal, and federal levels; and, address the individualized needs of victims through the provision of a comprehensive array of quality services. Through this solicitation, OVC and BJA will make awards to support law enforcement and victim service provider efforts within human trafficking task forces. Within each geographic region covered by a task force, two separate awards will be made (one to a lead law enforcement agency and one to a lead victim service provider); however, the total amount of funding that will be awarded for each task force will not exceed \$1.5 million. The law enforcement and victim service provider applicants must submit separate but coordinated proposals that outline how this funding will be used over a 3-year project period to combat human trafficking within the specific geographic area, in coordination with other key members of the task force, including the U.S. Attorney's Office (USAO); local prosecutors office; local, state, and federal law enforcement; and community and system-based service providers.

### **Contact Person To Apply:**

For assistance with any other requirements of this solicitation, Victim Service Provider applicants should contact Mary Atlas-Terry, OVC Program Specialist, by telephone at 202-353-8473 or via email to [Mary.Atlas-Terry@usdoj.gov](mailto:Mary.Atlas-Terry@usdoj.gov), and Law Enforcement applicants should contact Linda Hammond-Deckard, BJA Policy Advisor, by telephone at 202-514-6014 or via email to [Linda.Hammond-Deckard@usdoj.gov](mailto:Linda.Hammond-Deckard@usdoj.gov). [Mary.Atlas-Terry@usdoj.gov](mailto:Mary.Atlas-Terry@usdoj.gov) [For Programmatic Issues](#)

### **Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS)**

**Deadline: February 28, 2017**

The Department of Justice today announced the opening of the grant solicitation period for comprehensive funding to American Indian and Alaska Native tribal governments and tribal consortia to support public safety, victim services and crime prevention.

### **Adult Drug Court Discretionary Grant Program**

**Deadline: February 28, 2017**

BJA is accepting applications to establish new drug courts or enhance existing drug court services, coordination, and offender management and recovery support services. The purpose of the Adult Drug Court Discretionary Grant Program (42 U.S.C. 3797u et seq.) is to provide financial and technical assistance to states, state courts, local courts, units of local government, and Indian tribal governments to develop and implement drug courts that effectively integrate evidenced-based substance abuse treatment, mandatory drug testing, sanctions and incentives, and transitional services in a judicially supervised court setting with jurisdiction over substance-abusing offenders.

### **Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS)**

**Deadline: February 28, 2017**

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. See Purpose Area 8 (Juvenile Healing to Wellness Courts) and Purpose Area 9 (Tribal Youth Program) for OJJDP-specific programs. [Technical Assistance Contact Information](#)

### **National Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI)**

**Deadline: March 2, 2017**

The purpose of this grant program is to provide funding to test untested sexual assault kits, prevent sexual assaults, and improve the criminal justice system's response to sexual assaults.

### **Smart on Juvenile Justice: Enhancing Youth Access to Justice Initiative**

**Deadline: March 2, 2017**

This initiative will provide funding to (1) develop and implement standards of policy and practice to effectively manage well-resourced, statewide juvenile indigent defense systems; (2) develop state or regional resource centers to help state, tribal, and local juvenile defense systems enhance the quality of legal representation, leverage resources, and collect and analyze data to measure the effectiveness of specific initiatives; and (3) support community-based nonprofit organizations that provide direct civil legal services, mentoring, and reentry planning to youth in out-of-home placement who are transitioning or have recently transitioned back to their families and communities.

## [Technical Assistance Outreach Initiative to Strengthen Indian Tribes' Capacity to Address Violence Against Women](#)

**Deadline: March 2, 2017**

The Technical Assistance Outreach Initiative to Strengthen Indian Tribes' Capacity to Address Violence Against Women (referred to as the Tribal TA Outreach Initiative) was created to maximize resources and extend technical assistance beyond the limited number of tribes that receive OVW grant funding. Through this initiative OVW seeks to build the capacity of tribal governments, tribal justice system professionals, and tribal victim services organizations to respond effectively to sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking. Specifically, OVW wants to focus technical assistance support towards tribes which have had no or marginal success in accessing grant funding through the OVW Tribal Affairs Division or other OVW grant programs, in an effort to enhance victim services and assist tribal criminal justice systems to more effectively address victim safety and offender accountability.

## [FY17 Announcement of Anticipated Availability of Funds for Support for Expectant and Parenting Teens, Women, Fathers, and Their Families](#)

**Deadline: March 4, 2017**

The purpose of this Program FOA is to support States and Tribes to provide expectant and parenting teens, women, fathers, and their families with a seamless network of supportive services including evidence-based/evidence-informed approaches to improve their health and well-being. Through this announcement, OAH aims to improve not only the health outcomes of the expectant and parenting population, but also educational, social, and economic outcomes that shape health. By doing so, this FOA seeks to create an enabling environment for expectant and parenting teens, women, and fathers to continue their education regardless of their life situation and the real and perceived challenges of early childbearing and parenthood; empower them with relevant knowledge and skills to be productive adults; provide and link them (and their families) to services to ensure they are healthy and make informed decisions about their health, including sexual and reproductive health; and support them to make successful and healthy transitions into adulthood and the labor market. The ultimate goals are to improve access to high-quality resources for the expectant and parenting population and make expectant and parenting programs and services sustainable parts of routine systems through institutionalization and expansion. For the purposes of this funding announcement, the term expectant and parenting population refers to expectant and parenting teens, women, fathers, and their families. The terms expectant and parenting include anyone who is expecting and parenting a child regardless of biological sex, gender identity, or sexual orientation. The term teens refers to persons of high-school age and college students refers to persons enrolled in Institutions of Higher Education. The term young adults refers to persons aged 18 - 24. The term young fathers refers to expectant and parenting male teens and young adult men. The term youth refers to persons between the ages of 10 and 24 years (teens and young adults). Families include, but are not limited to children, spouses, partners, and parents. OAH expects funded programs to focus on expectant and parenting teens, women, fathers, and their families. OAH expects funded programs to address the multigenerational needs of the expectant and parenting population (for example, address the needs of the parenting father, child, and the mother of the parenting father) where and when possible. OAH encourages applications that also include targeted programming for marginalized subpopulations. The expectant and parenting population is marginalized with poorer health outcomes, lower education achievements, and less economic participation than their non-expectant and parenting peers. Within this expectant and parenting population, some groups have added layers of vulnerabilities such as lack of access to traditional support systems in health and education and stigmatization and isolation. For the purpose of this FOA, these marginalized subpopulations consist of expectant and parenting teens, young adults, and college students who are runaway and homeless, in foster-care, in the juvenile justice system, immigrants, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Questioning (LGBTQ), or have disabilities. Very few existing expectant and parenting programs address the unique needs of these marginalized groups. Expectant and parenting teens and young adults are confronted with a host of simultaneous risk factors such as educational underachievement and school dropout, depression, inadequate prenatal and postpartum care, food insecurity, and subsequent low birthweight babies and poor child health outcomes. In order to support the expectant and parenting population, OAH expects funded programs to expand partnership efforts to address these risk factors as well as aspects of life that promote their health and well-being, including but not limited to: economic and workforce development, education, transportation, food, social services, child welfare, and housing. To provide a continuum of quality supportive services, OAH expects applicants to adopt a holistic and integrated approach to serving the expectant and parenting population by directly delivering and/or providing linkages and referrals in five (5) core services domains: 1. Personal Health; 2. Child Health; 3. Self Sufficiency, Education and Employment; 4. Concrete Supports; and 5. Parenting Support (Appendix A).

## [Domestic Violence Mentor Court Technical Assistance Initiative](#)

**Deadline: March 8, 2017**

The OVW Domestic Violence Mentor Court Technical Assistance Initiative (Mentor Court Initiative) creates a unique opportunity to recognize well-established specialized courts and enable them to guide other courts and court-based programs that wish to significantly improve their court responses to domestic violence cases and ensure victim safety and offender accountability. With years of experience honing strategies that enhance offender accountability and improve victim safety in domestic violence cases, these well-established courts have successfully served as national models and share their expertise by hosting site visits, linking courts with peers facing similar challenges and assisting other domestic violence courts to implement best practices to respond effectively to these difficult cases. In order to continue this effort, OVW is accepting applications for continuation and new Mentor Court projects in FY 2017.

## [NAGPRA Consultation/Documentation Grants FY17](#)

**Deadline: March 9, 2017**

Museums and Federal agencies must consult with known Indian tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations in compiling a NAGPRA inventory and when responding to claims and interests of potential claimants to items in the NAGPRA summary. Consultation should lead to determining control, treatment and disposition of NAGPRA related human remains and objects. The consultation process is outlined in 43 CFR 10.5, 10.8(a), 10.9(b) and 10.11. Documentation. The term documentation refers to data that will lead to determining the geographical origin, cultural affiliation, and basic facts surrounding the acquisition of Native American human remains and cultural items to further the NAGPRA process.

## [Specialized Services for Victims of Human Trafficking](#)

**Deadline: March 9, 2017**

The primary goal of this program is to enhance the quality and quantity of specialized services available to assist victims of human trafficking, as defined by the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended. This solicitation will provide funding to victim service organizations with a demonstrated history of providing specialized services for victims of human trafficking. Applicants will have the opportunity to apply for funding to support the following types of services for victims of human trafficking: 1.) Housing/Shelter; 2.) Job Training, Education & Employment; 3.) Legal Assistance 4.) Health, Mental Health, & Substance Abuse Services. In addition to the provision of direct services, funding will also support efforts to increase the capacity of communities to respond to human trafficking victims through the development of interagency partnerships, professional training, and public awareness activities.

## **Research Grants for Preventing Violence and Violence Related Injury**

**Deadline: March 10, 2017**

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC) is soliciting investigator-initiated research that will help expand and advance our understanding about what works to prevent violence by rigorously evaluating primary prevention strategies, programs, and policies to address specific gaps in the prevention of teen dating violence, intimate partner violence, sexual violence, and youth violence. This initiative is intended to support primary prevention strategies, programs or policies that target universal or selected high-risk populations (i.e., populations that have one or more risk factors that place them at heightened risk for initial perpetration of violence). For more information, contact Marcienne Wright [lxv8@cdc.gov](mailto:lxv8@cdc.gov), [Grants Policy](#)

## [Native Youth Initiative for Leadership, Empowerment, and Development \(I-LEAD\)](#)

**Deadline: March 10, 2017**

The Administration for Native Americans (ANA), within the Administration for Children and Families (ACF), announces the availability of Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 funds for the Native Youth I-LEAD. This program will emphasize a comprehensive, culturally-appropriate approach to ensure that all young Native people can thrive and reach their full potential by fostering Native youth resilience, capacity building, and leadership. Native Youth I-LEAD will specifically focus on implementation of community programs that promote Native youth resiliency and foster protective factors such as connections with Native languages and Elders, positive peer groups, culturally-responsive parenting resources, models of safe sanctuary, and reconnection with traditional healing. Projects will also promote Native youth leadership development through the establishment of local models to instill confidence in Native youth of their value and potential, preparation of older youth to be role models for younger peers, and activities that foster leadership and skills-building. In addition, it is intended that Native youth must be actively involved during the planning and



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implementation phases of the projects to ensure that they are responsive to the needs of Native youth in the communities to be served and to ensure that youth remain engaged throughout the project period. For more information, contact Carmelia Strickland, (202) 401-6741, [Carmelia.Strickland@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:Carmelia.Strickland@acf.hhs.gov)

### **HHS-2017-ACF-ANA-NA-1236 Social and Economic Development Strategies -SEDS Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children and Families - ANA**

**Deadline: March 10, 2017**

The Administration for Native Americans (ANA), within the Administration for Children and Families (ACF), announces the availability of Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 funds for new community-based projects under the ANA Social and Economic Development Strategies (SEDS) program. This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is focused on community-driven projects designed to grow local economies, strengthen Native American families, including the preservation of Native American cultures, and decrease the high rate of current challenges caused by the lack of community-based businesses, and social and economic infrastructure in Native American communities. Native American communities include American Indian tribes (federally-recognized and non-federally recognized), Native Hawaiians, Alaskan Natives, and Native American Pacific Islanders.

### **Community Connect Grant Program**

**Deadline: March 13, 2017**

The Community-Oriented Connectivity Broadband Grant Program (Community Connect Grant Program) is designed to provide financial assistance to provide service at the Broadband Grant Speed in rural, economically-challenged communities where broadband service does not currently exist. Grant funds may be used to: (1) deploy service at the Broadband Grant Speed to critical community facilities, rural residents, and rural businesses, (2) construct, acquire, or expand a community center, and (3) equip a community center that provides free access to service at the Broadband Grant Speed to community residents for at least two years. Grants will be awarded on a competitive basis for entities to serve all premises in eligible rural areas at the Broadband Grant Speed to ensure rural consumers enjoy the same quality and range of broadband services as are available in urban and suburban communities.

### **Mentoring Opportunities for Youth Initiative**

**Deadline: March 13, 2017**

This program supports the implementation and delivery of one-on-one, group, peer, or a combination of these types of mentoring services to at-risk and high-risk youth populations through applicant mentoring organizations and their active chapters or subawardees and among mentoring collaboratives.

### **Comprehensive School Safety Initiative**

**Deadline: March 14, 2017**

The Comprehensive School Safety Initiative (CSSI) funds rigorous research to produce practical knowledge that can improve the safety of schools and students. The initiative is carried out through partnerships between researchers, educators and other stakeholders, including law enforcement and mental health professionals. Projects funded under the CSSI are designed to produce knowledge that can be applied to schools and school districts across the nation for years to come. This solicitation includes multiple funding categories with different expectations and requirements to accomplish the purposes of the CSSI.

### **Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects (DRRP) Program: Using Robotics and Automation to Improve Accessible Transportation Options for Individuals with Disabilities**

**Deadline: March 21, 2017**

The purpose of NIDILRR's DRPs, which are funded through the Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects and Centers Program, is to improve the effectiveness of services authorized under the Rehabilitation Act by generating new knowledge or developing methods, procedures, and rehabilitation technologies that advance a wide range of independent living and employment outcomes for individuals with disabilities, especially individuals with the most significant disabilities. The purpose of this DRRP is (a) to advance the application of automation and a robotics to enhance accessible transportation for travelers with disabilities and (b) to improve opportunities for a seamless travel chain that meets the diverse needs of travelers with disabilities, including but not limited to mobility, vision, hearing and cognitive disabilities. Contact person: Marlene Spencer (202)795-7442 [Marlene.spencer@acl.hhs.gov](mailto:Marlene.spencer@acl.hhs.gov)

### **Research and Evaluation on Victims of Crime**

**Deadline: March 14, 2017**

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The National Institute of Justice (NIJ) has a longstanding history of collaborating with and supporting the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) on research, evaluation, and programmatic projects. Over the years, the shared priorities of OVC and NIJ have resulted in a number of collective projects, workshops, and research. In 2013, OVC began Vision 21: Transforming Victim Services which called for the development of research to build a body of evidence-based knowledge on victims and victimization. With this solicitation, NIJ is collaborating with OVC to build on areas of research that are of interest to both.

### [Second Chance Act Reentry Program for Adults with Co-Occurring Substance Abuse and Mental Disorders](#)

**Deadline: March 14, 2017**

The Second Chance Act of 2007 (Pub. L. 110-199) provides a comprehensive response to the increasing number of incarcerated adults and juveniles who are released from prison, jail, and juvenile residential facilities and returning to communities. There are currently over 2.2 million individuals serving time in our federal and state prisons, and millions of people cycling through tribal and local jails every year. Ninety-five percent of all people incarcerated today will eventually be released and will return to communities. The coordination of reentry of members of Native American tribes is even more complex given that they can return from federal, Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), state, local, and tribal facilities. The Second Chance Act helps to ensure that the transition individuals make from prison, jail, or juvenile residential facilities to the community is successful and promotes public safety.

### [Smart Reentry: Focus on Evidence-Based Strategies for Successful Reentry from Incarceration to Community](#)

**Deadline: March 14, 2017**

The goal of this program is to support jurisdictions to develop and implement comprehensive and collaborative strategies that address the challenges posed by reentry to increase public safety and reduce recidivism for individuals reentering communities from incarceration who are at medium to high risk for recidivating. Within the context of this initiative, reentry is not envisioned to be a specific program, but rather a process that begins when the individual is first incarcerated (pre-release) and ends with his or her successful reduction in risk of recidivism and community reintegration (post-release). This process should provide the individual with appropriate evidence-based services including reentry planning that addresses individual criminogenic needs identified through information obtained from an empirically validated risk/needs assessment that also reflects the risk of recidivism for each individual. The reentry plan should reflect both specific and ongoing pre-release and post-release needs, and a strategy for ensuring that these needs are met throughout the duration of the reentry process.

### [Training and Technical Assistance Initiative Program](#)

**March 14, 2017**

The primary purpose of the OVW Training and Technical Assistance (TA) Initiative is to provide direct TA to existing and potential grantees and sub-grantees to enhance and support their efforts to successfully implement projects supported by OVW grant funds. OVW's TA is designed to build and enhance the national capacity of civil and criminal justice system professionals and victim services organizations to respond effectively to sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking and foster partnerships among organizations that have not traditionally worked together to address violence against women.

### [Juvenile Protective Factors and Their Effects on Aging](#)

**Deadline: March 16, 2020**

The purpose of this FOA is to invite pilot/feasibility projects for: 1) descriptive studies to identify putative juvenile protective factors, 2) experimental studies to test hypotheses about their effects on aging and 3) translational studies to characterize potential beneficial and adverse effects of maintaining or modulating the level of juvenile protective factors in adult life. Juvenile protective factors (JPFs), intrinsic to an immature organism, help to maintain or enhance certain physiological functions across all or some stages of postnatal development (i.e., segment of the life span between birth and sexual maturity), but diminish or disappear as the organism transitions from one maturational stage to the next. The loss or diminution of JPFs after a given stage of postnatal development or at time of sexual maturity may contribute to the onset of deleterious aging changes (e.g., compromised stem cell function and reparative capacity) across adulthood. This FOA is uniquely focused on animal and clinical studies which involve comparisons between juvenile versus adult states or between stages of postnatal development to identify putative JPFs and their effects on aging. Pilot studies which involve comparisons between young and old adults will not be supported by this FOA.

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## [Research and Evaluation on Violence Against Women: Teen Dating Violence, Sexual Violence, and Intimate Partner Violence](#)

**Deadline: March 20, 2017**

NIJ seeks proposals for research and evaluation of violence against women on the following topics (1) teen dating violence, (2) sexual violence, and (3) intimate partner violence. Specific areas of interest to NIJ are provided under each topic area, however, other areas of interest that offer important insights into teen dating violence, sexual violence, or intimate partner violence may receive equal attention.

## [Research and Evaluation on the Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation of Elderly Individuals](#)

**Deadline: March 20, 2017**

NIJ seeks proposals for research and evaluation on the abuse, neglect, and exploitation of elderly individuals. NIJ is interested in research that either helps to define and operationalize polyvictimization among elderly individuals or to identify successful outcomes in elder abuse intervention research. These are two areas that have been identified as gaps for a number of years in the field.

## [Swift, Certain, and Fair Sanctions \(SCF\)/ Replicating the Concepts Behind Project HOPE](#)

**Deadline: March 20, 2017**

There are a multiple states, counties, cities, and tribes that are interested in implementing Swift, Certain, and Fair (SCF) models of supervision with offenders in the community. This interest has grown out of the potential promise that these SCF models have shown in effectively reducing recidivism and preventing crime. In particular, Hawaii's Opportunity Probation with Enforcement (HOPE) program has been shown to have promise, and as a result there is significant interest and activity in implementing models of supervision, and other versions of the HOPE model which rely on swift and certain sanctions. SCF approaches are intended to: (a) improve supervision strategies that reduce recidivism; (b) promote and increase collaboration among agencies and officials who work in community corrections and related fields; (c) enhance the offenders' perception that the supervision decisions are fair, consistently applied and consequences are transparent; and (d) improve the outcomes of individuals participating in these initiatives. Through this FY 2015 grant announcement, BJA will select multiple applicants to implement or enhance a HOPE model using SCF. Applicants selected under this announcement will work with BJA and its training and technical assistance (TTA) partner to implement the model with fidelity.

## [Tribal Transit Program 2017](#)

**Deadline: March 20, 2017**

Details: Solicitation of Project Proposals: Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Program; Tribal Transit Program. Synopses and full announcement are posted on Grants.gov as opportunity FTA-2017-002-TPM. Proposals must be submitted electronically through Grants.gov by midnight Eastern Time on March 20, 2017. Summary: The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) announces the availability of approximately \$5 million in funding provided by the Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Program (Tribal Transit Program (TTP)), as authorized by 49 U.S.C. 5311(c)(1)(A), as amended by the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST), Public Law 114-94 (December 4, 2015). This is a national solicitation for project proposals and includes the selection criteria and program eligibility information for Fiscal Year 2017 projects. The primary purpose of these competitively selected grants is to support planning, capital, and, in limited circumstances, operating assistance for tribal public transit services. Funds distributed to Indian tribes under the TTP should not replace or reduce funds that Indian tribes receive from states through FTA's Section 5311 program.

## [Research and Evaluation on Drugs and Crime 2017](#)

**Deadline: March 23, 2017**

NIJ's drugs and crime research portfolio promotes cost-efficient law enforcement, court, and corrections responses to illegal drug markets (including diversion of legal drugs) and criminal behavior related to illicit drug use. This FY2017 solicitation seeks investigator-initiated proposals to conduct research on criminal justice activities including: 1) criminal investigation and prosecution; and 2) drug intelligence and community surveillance. NIJ has identified two drug priorities: heroin and other opioids (including diverted prescription drugs); and novel psychoactive substances (also known as synthetic drugs).

## [FY17 Announcement of Anticipated Availability of Funds for Support for Expectant and Parenting Teens, Women, Fathers, and Their Families](#)

Department of Health and Human Services  
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health

**Due Date: 3/24/17**

## [Announcement of Anticipated Availability of Funds for Centers for Teen Pregnancy Prevention and Adolescent Health Promotion Research](#)

**Deadline: March 24, 2017**

This Funding Opportunity Announcement seeks applications from qualified organizations for teen pregnancy prevention and adolescent health promotion research center grants. These centers will conduct, synthesize and translate research into practice for the promotion of adolescent health and the prevention of teen pregnancy in support of OAHs priorities and mission. The Centers are expected to address important and relevant topic areas in pregnancy prevention and adolescent health and to be a national leader in one of five priority areas. The priority areas are (1) safe and supportive environments, (2) healthy relationships, (3) meaningful connections to supportive adults, (4) engaging youth and families, and (5) youth in out-of-home care and foster care systems. Centers are expected to evaluate or assess best practices or evidence-based/evidence-informed approaches in their priority area and make that information easily accessible to providers working with youth. Collectively, the Centers are intended to support a more evidence-reliant provider system for those working with adolescents. The Centers are expected to have a high caliber of scientific and technical competency, be forward-looking, provide strong leadership, and collaborate with stakeholders and community partners (including state and local health agencies and non-profit, community and non-governmental organizations) in the development and delivery of research-to-practice products. Key tasks include. Assessing research needs and existing research-to-practice resources. Developing and maintaining research alliances. Developing a research agenda in the priority area. Funding and implementing research projects in support of the research agenda. Disseminating products broadly. Collaborating and coordinating with other related organizations OAH will fund one cooperative agreement per priority area. Applicants should state for which priority area of the 5 listed they are applying.

## [Historic Preservation Fund Tribal Heritage Grants](#)

**Deadline: March 24, 2017**

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.

## [Research, Development, and Evaluation of Technologies to Improve School Safety](#) [Department of Justice](#)

**Deadline: March 30, 2017**

This solicitation will support projects that (1) demonstrate and evaluate existing technologies, or that (2) develop, demonstrate, and evaluate innovative technologies. Potential applicants will be directed to NIJ-funded reports published in 2016 that describe current uses of and identified needs for school safety technology. Key findings from these reports will be presented in the solicitation as will key findings from recent literature reviews commissioned by NIJ that address issues of effectiveness and perceptions of school security. Potential areas of emphasis may include interventions based on principles of crime prevention through environmental design (CPTED), data integration systems, benefit-cost analyses, and low cost technology options.

## [PHMSA HMEP FOA Tribes](#)

**Deadline: April 3, 2017**

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 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. The HMEP program is authorized under 49 United States Code (U.S.C.) part 5116 and is governed by program regulations in 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part 110 and Federal grants administration regulations at 2 CFR part 200. Under 49 U.S.C. part 5116, Training and Planning Grants are available to: (1) Develop, improve, and carry out emergency plans under the Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act of 1986 (42 U.S.C. part 11001 et seq.), including ascertaining flow patterns of hazardous material on lands under the jurisdiction of a State or federally recognized tribe, and between lands under the jurisdiction of a State or tribe and lands of another State or tribe. (2) Train public sector employees to respond to accidents and incidents involving hazardous material incidents. To the extent that a grant is used to train emergency responders, the applicant must ensure that the emergency responders who

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receive training under the grant will have the ability to protect nearby persons, property, and the environment from the effects of accidents or incidents involving the transportation of hazardous material in accordance with existing regulations. This funding announcement is for federally recognized Tribes only.

### Safe and Thriving Communities: Planning and Collaboration

**Deadline: April 3, 2017**

OJJDP is seeking proposals from applicant jurisdictions grappling with high levels of youth-related gun crime and gang violence that can demonstrate a willingness and readiness to develop fully comprehensive, community- and data-driven responses. Funding will support selected jurisdictions to undertake strategic planning and capacity-building work through multidisciplinary and community partnerships.

### Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program

**Deadline: April 4, 2017**

The Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program (JMHCP) supports innovative cross-system collaboration for individuals with mental illnesses or co-occurring mental health and substance abuse disorders who come into contact with the justice system. BJA is seeking applications that demonstrate a collaborative project between criminal justice and mental health partners from eligible applicants to plan, implement or expand a justice and mental health collaboration program. The program is authorized by the Mentally Ill Offender Treatment and Crime Reduction Act of 2004 (MIOTCRA) (Pub.L. 108-414) and the Mentally Ill Offender Treatment and Crime Reduction Reauthorization and Improvement Act of 2008 (Pub.L. 110-416).

### VA's Grant and Per Diem Program FY 2017 NOFA

**Deadline: April 4, 2017**

VA is announcing the availability of per diem funds to currently operational GPD grantees which have their current transitional housing grants under VA's Homeless Providers GPD Program whose grants are scheduled to be terminated as discussed in an accompanying Federal Register notice. VA expects to fund 24 existing service centers and 12,000 beds with this NOFA for applicants who will operate service centers or use one or a combination of the following housing models: Bridge Housing, Low Demand, Respite Care, Clinical Treatment, and Service-Intensive Transitional Housing.

### **Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance-Esther Martinez Immersion**

**Deadline: April 10, 2017**

The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Administration for Native Americans (ANA) announces the availability of Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 funds for community-based projects for the Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance - Esther Martinez Immersion. The Esther Martinez Immersion provides funding to support three-year projects being implemented by Native American Language Nests and Survival Schools in accordance with Pub.L. 109-394. Native American communities include American Indian tribes (federally-recognized and non-federally recognized), Native Hawaiians, Alaskan Natives, and Native American Pacific Islanders. Contact: [Carmelia Strickland](#) (202) 401-6741.

### **Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance**

**Deadline: April 10, 2017**

The Administration for Children and Families, Administration for Native Americans announces the availability of funds for community-based projects for the Native Language Preservation and Maintenance program. The Native Language Preservation and Maintenance program provides funding for projects to support assessments of the status of the native languages in an established community, as well as the planning, designing, restoration, and implementing of native language curriculum and education projects to support a community's language preservation goals. Native American communities include American Indian tribes (federally-recognized and non-federally recognized), Native Hawaiians, Alaskan Natives, and Native American Pacific Islanders. Contact: [Carmelia Strickland](#) (202) 401-6741.

### Regional Conservation Partnership Program

**Deadline: April 21, 2017**

NRCS is the Department of Agriculture's (USDA) conservation agency working with farmers, ranchers, and private forest landowners nationwide to identify and address natural resource objectives in balance with operational goals in order to benefit soil, water, wildlife, and related natural resources locally, regionally, and nationally. NRCS works in partnership with other entities to accelerate getting conservation on the ground.

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Through the Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP), NRCS seeks to co-invest with partners in innovative, workable and cost-effective approaches to benefit farming, ranching, and forest operations, local economies, and the communities and resources in a watershed or other geographic area. RCPP partners develop project applications, as described in this notice, to address specific natural resource objectives in a proposed area or region. Partnering organizations design, promote, implement, and evaluate the project outcomes. NRCS will select final RCPP projects following a two-phase application process that includes: (1) a pre-proposal application; and (2) a full proposal application. NRCS will assess and evaluate RCPP project applications against four criteria—solutions, contributions, innovation, and participation. The full proposal process is only open to applicants whose pre-proposal applications are selected by the agency to go forward from the pre-proposal stage. All RCPP applications become the property of NRCS for use in the administration of the program and will not be returned to the applicant. RCPP federal assistance is delivered in accordance with the authorities of the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP), Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP), Agricultural Conservation Easement Program (ACEP), and Healthy Forests Reserve Program (HFRP), and in certain geographic areas, the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention program. NRCS and partners implement RCPP projects by working with agricultural producers and owners of agricultural and forest land. The purpose of this notice is to announce the availability of CCC funding for RCPP and to solicit applications from potential partners. Subject to fiscal year (FY) 2018 appropriations, NRCS anticipates the availability of up to \$252.6 million in funding for RCPP. RCPP is not a grant program. Through RCPP, NRCS works with partners to provide a combination of financial and technical assistance to help producers implement conservation practices. Applications will be accepted from all 50 States, the Caribbean Area (Puerto Rico and U.S. Virgin Islands), and U.S. territories in the Pacific Island Areas (Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands).

### **Native Youth Initiative for Leadership, Empowerment, and Development (I-LEAD)**

**Department of Health and Human Services:** D HHS-2017-ACF-ANA-NC-1263

**Due Date: April 24, 2017**

The Administration for Native Americans (ANA), within the Administration for Children and Families (ACF), announces the availability of Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 funds for the Native Youth I-LEAD. This program will emphasize a comprehensive, culturally-appropriate approach to ensure that all young Native people can thrive and reach their full potential by fostering Native youth resilience, capacity building, and leadership. Native Youth I-LEAD will specifically focus on implementation of community programs that promote Native youth resiliency and foster protective factors such as connections with Native languages and Elders, positive peer groups, culturally-responsive parenting resources, models of safe sanctuary, and reconnection with traditional healing. Projects will also promote Native youth leadership development through the establishment of local models to instill confidence in Native youth of their value and potential, preparation of older youth to be role models for younger peers, and activities that foster leadership and skills-building. In addition, it is intended that Native youth must be actively involved during the planning and implementation phases of the projects to ensure that they are responsive to the needs of Native youth in the communities to be served and to ensure that youth remain engaged throughout the project period.

**To apply contact:** Carmelia Strickland, (202) 401-6741, [Carmelia.Strickland@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:Carmelia.Strickland@acf.hhs.gov)

### **NAGPRA Repatriation Grants**

**Deadline: June 1, 2017**

Awards to defray costs associated with the packaging, transportation, contamination removal, reburial and/or storage of NAGPRA-related human remains and/or cultural items.

### **Regional Partnership Grants to Increase the Well-Being of, and to Improve the Permanency Outcomes for, Children Affected by Substance Abuse**

**Deadline: June 6, 2017**

The purpose of this forecasted funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is to provide competitive grant funds for up to 5 years for projects authorized by the Child and Family Services Improvement and Innovation Act (Pub. L. 112-34). This Act includes a targeted grants program (section 437(f)) that directs the Secretary of Health and Human Services to reserve funds for regional partnership grants (RPGs) to improve the well-being of children affected by substance abuse. These targeted grants will be awarded to regional partnerships that provide, through interagency collaboration and integration of programs and services, activities and services that are designed to increase the well-being of, improve permanency outcomes for, and enhance the safety of children who are in out-of-home placements or are at risk of entering out-of-home placements as a result of a parent's or caretaker's substance abuse. Applicants will be expected to have a collaborative structure in place that is capable of building the region's capacity to

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meet a broad range of needs for families involved with both substance abuse treatment and the child welfare system. Per the legislative requirements, RPGs are required to select and report on performance indicators and evaluation measures to increase the knowledge that can be gained from the program. Partnerships will: Use specific, well-defined, and evidence-based programs that are also trauma-informed and targeted to the identified population; Conduct an evaluation that is sufficiently rigorous to contribute to the evidence base on service delivery, outcomes and costs associated with the project's chosen interventions; Participate in the national cross-site evaluation, which includes an implementation and partnership study, an outcomes study, and an impact study. For more information, contact [Jean Blankenship](#) (202) 401-2887.

### [Publishing Historical Records in Documentary Editions](#)

**Deadline: June 14, 2017**

The National Historical Publications and Records Commission seeks proposals to publish documentary editions of historical records. Projects may focus on the papers of major figures from American history or cover broad historical movements in politics, military, business, social reform, the arts, and other aspects of the national experience. The historical value of the records and their expected usefulness to broad audiences must justify the costs of the project. The goal of this program is to provide access to, and editorial context for, the historical documents and records that tell the American story. The NHPRC encourages projects, whenever possible and appropriate, to provide free access to these materials in an open online environment, without precluding other forms of publication. Applicants should demonstrate familiarity with the best practices recommended by the Association for Documentary Editing or the Modern Language Association Committee on Scholarly Editions. Projects may also prepare print editions as part of their overall publishing plan. However, projects that do not have definitive plans for digital dissemination and preservation in place at the time of application will not be considered. It is also expected that the contents of any print volumes produced will be made available online within a reasonable period of time following print publication. Grants are awarded for collecting, describing, preserving, compiling, transcribing, annotating, editing, encoding, and publishing documentary source materials online and in print. Because of the focus on documentary sources, grants do not support preparation of critical editions of published works unless such works are just a small portion of the larger project. A grant is for one year and for up to \$200,000. The Commission expects to make up to 25 grants in this category for a total of up to \$2,500,000. Grants begin no earlier than January 1, 2018.

### **AdoptUSKids**

**Deadline: June 16, 2017**

The purpose of this forecasted Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to establish, by awarding a cooperative agreement, a multi-faceted national AdoptUSKids project designed to assist States, Tribes, and Territories in the recruitment and retention of foster and adoptive parents for children in public foster care. The AdoptUSKids project will encompass the following components: (1) National Adoption Internet Photolisting Service: Maintain and manage the National Adoption Internet Photolisting Website ([www.AdoptUSKids.org](http://www.AdoptUSKids.org)); coordinate with all States, Tribes, and Territories for the listing of their eligible children/youth while incorporating best practices and quality improvement standards in photolisting; (2) National Adoption Recruitment Campaign: Plan, develop, implement and evaluate multimedia National Adoption Recruitment Campaign and a corresponding Recruitment Response Support Initiative intended to reach and inspire adult Americans to adopt by offering important, accurate information about the foster care system and the adoption process. Develop a donated public service campaign strategy and annually create and produce multi-media products including PSAs for television, radio, print and social media, building on the body of work of the National Adoption Campaign launched in 2004. This project will also provide support to States, Tribes and Territories to provide increased access to new recruitment media and their ability to respond in a timely and customer-friendly manner; (3) National Adoption and Foster Care Information Exchange System: Maintain a National Adoption and Foster Care Information Exchange System that raises public awareness and assists States, Tribes, and Territories in recruiting foster and adoptive parents for children in foster care. This will include conducting National Adoption Month activities to raise public awareness and coordinating with organizations sponsoring National Foster Care Month activities. The design of this system will incorporate the provision of a 24-hour, nationwide, toll-free communications network designed to respond to the inquiries from prospective foster and adoptive parents as well as the general public regarding the foster and adoption process. These services will be provided in English and Spanish and will be accessible to other limited English speaking and non-English speaking callers and those who may require other communication accommodations; (4) Adoptive and Foster Family Support Activities: Develop and disseminate information, strategies, and effective or evidence-based models for the implementation of adoptive and foster family support activities for States, Tribes, and Territories.

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Develop and disseminate information on innovative approaches for creating communities of practice, peer-to-peer technical assistance, and leadership training to enhance and support adoptive and foster family support groups; (5) Capacity Building Services for Diligent Recruitment and Retention of Foster/Adoptive Families: Provide limited constituency services and universal product development and dissemination to States, Tribes, and Territories across the nation to assist in building agency capacity for the diligent recruitment and retention of foster and adoptive families, including models of best practices related to photolisting, recruitment media, customer service and adoptive and foster family support activities. The project period of this award will be up to 5 years. Contact Person to Apply: June Dorn, 202-205-9540, [june.dorn@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:june.dorn@acf.hhs.gov)

### [Technical Assistance to Tribes for fiscal year \(FY\) 2017](#)

**Deadline: August 31, 2017**

The Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation), through the Native American Affairs Technical Assistance to Tribes Program (Technical Assistance Program [TAP]), provides technical assistance to Indian tribes and tribal organizations. The TAP is intended to establish cooperative working relationships, through partnerships with Indian tribes and tribal organizations, to ensure that tribes have the opportunity to participate fully in the Reclamation Program as they develop, manage, and protect their water and related resources.

### [FY 2017 Land Buy-Back Program for Tribal Nations](#)

**Deadline: September 30, 2017**

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 105 locations where land consolidation activities such as planning, outreach, mapping, mineral evaluations, appraisals or acquisitions are scheduled to take place through the middle of 2021. The Buy-Back Program is interested in partnering with the eligible tribes that have jurisdiction over these 105 locations, as well as any locations that may be added to the implementation schedule, to gain their direct participation in land consolidation efforts given the 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. 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. The Settlement Agreement limits the amount of funding that may be used for implementation costs associated with the Program (e.g., outreach, land research, and appraisals). This is a 10-year program. Most awards will provide funding for no longer than 1 year, and tribes are encouraged to utilize the award amount to work with existing tribal land offices and programs. Tribes are also encouraged to first review information available from the Program and to work with Program staff in the development of the cooperative agreement application.

### [Development of Psychosocial Therapeutic and Preventive Interventions for Mental Disorders](#)

**Deadline: October 15, 2018**

The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to support the efficient pilot testing of novel psychosocial therapeutic and preventive interventions for mental disorders in adults and children, using 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. This FOA supports the development and testing of innovative psychosocial intervention approaches where the target and/or the intervention strategy is novel. Targets might include, but are not limited to, potentially modifiable behavioral, cognitive, affective and/or interpersonal factors or processes, neural circuits or neural activity subserving specific behaviors or cognitive processes, and/or other neurobiological mechanisms associated with risk for, causation of, or maintenance of a mental disorder. Eligible psychosocial interventions strategies might



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include in-person or technology-assisted delivery, provided the target and/or the intervention strategy is novel. This FOA supports the development and testing of novel psychosocial interventions, as defined above, as monotherapies or as augmentations to standard treatment. Support will be provided for up to two years (R61 phase) for preliminary milestone-driven testing of the interventions impact on a target (a process or mechanism associated with risk for, causation, or maintenance of a clinical condition), that is, its target engagement. Contingent on meeting go/no-go milestones in the R61 phase, up to 3 years of additional support (R33 phase) may be provided for studies to replicate target engagement and relate change in the intervention target/mechanism to clinical benefit. 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, or for preventing mental disorders among those at risk.

### [Improving Individual and Family Outcomes through Continuity and Coordination of Care in Hospice](#)

**Deadline: January 7, 2020**

This funding opportunity announcement (FOA) seeks to stimulate research that focuses on reducing negative individual and family outcomes related to unwanted transitions at the end of life and optimizing the individual and family outcomes related to high quality coordination of care of care of individuals who are enrolled in hospice. This FOA emphasizes individuals who are receiving hospice care and their family caregivers, in any setting where hospice care is provided, including their home, a relative's home, a hospice inpatient facility, an assisted living facility, a short- or long-term care facility, or a hospital.

### [Reducing Health Disparities Among Minority and Underserved Children](#)

**Deadline: May 7, 2020**

This initiative encourages research that targets the reduction of health disparities among children. Investing in early childhood development is essential. Specific targeted areas of research include bio-behavioral studies that incorporate multiple factors that influence child health disparities such as biological (e.g., genetics, cellular, organ systems), lifestyle factors, environmental (e.g., physical and family environments) social (e.g., peers), economic, institutional, and cultural and family influences; studies that target the specific health promotion needs of children with a known health condition and/or disability; and studies that test, evaluate, translate, and disseminate health promotion prevention and interventions conducted in traditional and non-traditional settings.

### **Methamphetamine and Suicide Prevention Initiative - Generation Indigenous (Gen-I) Initiative Support**

**Deadline: None specified**

The primary purpose of this Indian Health Service (IHS) grant is to focus on Methamphetamine and Suicide Prevention Initiative (MSPI) goal #6, "to promote positive American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) youth development and family engagement through the implementation of early intervention strategies to reduce risk factors for suicidal behavior and substance use." Projects will accomplish this by focusing specifically on MSPI Purpose Area #4: GEN-I Initiative Support. Purpose Area #4: Generation Indigenous Initiative Support The focus of Purpose Area #4 is to: 1. Implement evidence-based and practice-based approaches to build resiliency, promote positive development, and increase self-sufficiency behaviors among Native youth; 2. Promote family engagement; 3. Increase access to prevention activities for youth to prevent methamphetamine use and other substance use disorders that contribute to suicidal behaviors, in culturally appropriate ways; and 4. Hire additional behavioral health staff (i.e., licensed behavioral health providers and paraprofessionals, including but not limited to peer specialists, mental health technicians, and community health aides) specializing in child, adolescent, and family services who will be responsible for implementing the project's activities that address all the broad objectives listed. Paul Gettys Grant Systems Coordinator 301-443-2114 [Grants Policy Office](#)

### [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.

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## 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.

## 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.

## Surdna Foundation- Teens' Artistic and Cultural Advancement

### **Deadline: Open**

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.