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### [Washington Supreme Court says Indian Child Welfare Act should be more broadly applied](#) (Includes audio)

KNKX - September 15, 2020

A Washington Supreme Court decision saying the Indian Child Welfare Act should be more broadly applied is being called a big win for Native American rights. The unanimous opinion was written by Washington's first Native American justice Raquel Montoya-Lewis, who cited the long history of Native American children being taken from their communities.

### [Rez Connectivity, Human Rights 'Necessity'](#)

Esperanza Project – September 26, 2020

RAPID CITY, S.D. – On Sept. 23 when Pueblo Indian U.S. Rep. Deb Haaland introduced a resolution in Congress that declares, "limiting access to broadband internet is a human rights violation," Oglala Lakota consultant Petra Wilson drew a breath of satisfaction. Wilson, a specialist in Indian education, had worked day and night all year to help her tribe and others qualify to become Federal Communications Commission (FCC) licensees of their own shares of the wireless spectrum.

### [Sheriff joins tribal deputation agreement](#)

Examiner Enterprise – September 29, 2020

Washington County sheriff's deputies will receive training to assist tribal law enforcement with crimes in tribal jurisdiction following the Monday approval of an agreement by county commissioners.

### [Washington Supreme Court Delivers Resounding Defense of Indian Child Welfare Act and the Rights of Tribal Nations](#)

(Opinion)

NW Sidebar - October 01, 2020

Last month, the Washington Supreme Court affirmed core provisions in the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA), ensuring that the law's protections are applied early enough to prevent the unnecessary removal of Native children from their families (In re Dependency of Z.J.G. & M.E.J.G.). It adopted a broad interpretation of ICWA's "reason to know" standard, the critical clause that determines whether ICWA's protections of family integrity and tribal sovereignty will be brought to bear in a dependency case. Justice Raquel Montoya-Lewis' 41-page opinion was joined by the entire high court. For those of us who have been fighting in the trenches on behalf of Native families, it was a historic moment.

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## **[Report advocates self-determined solutions to systemic problems underlying the ongoing crisis of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls](#)** (Press release)

Ontario Native Women's Association (ONWA) - October 04, 2020

Today, as Sisters in Spirit vigils are being held across the country, the Ontario Native Women's Association (ONWA) has released a detailed report outlining key areas of concern and recommendations for moving forward in ending violence against Indigenous women and girls. It comes after the one year mark since the Final Report of the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls. The report, titled: Reconciliation with Indigenous Women: Changing the Story of MMIWG (2020), centers Indigenous women, their knowledge and experience, as not only the focus of the National Inquiry, but as leaders in solutions. It was informed by ONWA's membership, previous reports, community engagements, and programs that address ending violence against Indigenous women and girls.

## **[‘There are no words’: As coronavirus kills Indigenous elders, endangered languages face extinction](#)**

The Washington Post – October 6, 2020

The old man knew he was dying. The disease he'd been warning of for weeks had taken hold, and it wouldn't be long now. He looked to his son, who would soon be leader of what remained of their people. The old man was fluent in five languages the one he chose to speak now was one that virtually no one else in the world could understand.

## **[Canada's Supreme Court to consider whether Native Americans in U.S. have rights north of the border](#)**

Washington Post – October 7, 2020

A victory could give more Native Americans in the United States the right to use their tribes' traditional lands in Canada. The main question before the justices is whether rights afforded to "aboriginal peoples of Canada" by the Constitution Act extend to groups that don't live in Canada. But for Desautel, who traveled to Ottawa for the hearing Thursday, it's about something larger. "For the Sinixt people, this case — and it sounds almost corny to say — is about their very identity," said Mark Underhill, Desautel's lawyer. "Everything is at stake for them."

## **[A victory for Native children's rights to remain with family and tribe](#)** (Opinion)

Seattle Times - October 07, 2020

Forty-two years ago, Congress enacted the Indian Child Welfare Act to address a centuries-long practice: Removal of Native American children from their families and tribes by government actors and private agencies. When the welfare was passed into law, a staggering number of Native children -- in some states, as many as one in three - had been separated from their families and tribal communities. Washington state was one of the worst offenders. Native children were taken from their families and tribes without notice or explanation. The whole removal of Native children destroyed families and posed an existential threat to tribes.

## **FORUM LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS**

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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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## [Truth Commission Proposed on Indian Boarding School Policy](#)

Imprint - October 07, 2020

Under legislation introduced in Congress recently, the United States would officially own up for the first time to its attempt to eradicate Indigenous culture through its policy of forcibly separating Native children from their parents and "civilizing" them in Christian boarding schools. The legislation (H.R. 8420 and S. 4752), introduced in the House by Rep. Deb Haaland of New Mexico (D) on Sept. 29, would establish the Truth and Healing Commission on Indian Boarding School Policy and would explicitly state that the result of the boarding school policy was "cultural genocide."

## [A County-Tribal Partnership to Improve Family Experience with Courts](#)

Imprint - October 12, 2020

A Minnesota tribal community and county have announced a partnership that aims to better serve Native parents and kids in family and criminal cases through more coordinated court processing.

## [Governor Newsom Issues Proclamation Declaring Indigenous Peoples'](#)

[Day 10.12.20](#)

Press Release Office of Governor Newsom – October 12, 2020

Governor Gavin Newsom today issued a proclamation declaring October 12, 2020, as "Indigenous Peoples' Day" in the State of California.

## [New missing, murdered laws hailed as 'huge victory'](#)

Indian Country Today – October 12, 2020

Two new laws addressing the issue of missing and murdered Native Americans are drawing widespread praise as a step toward addressing needs identified by tribes and experts in law enforcement and justice, including better data collection, coordination and increased resources.

## [The epidemic of missing, murdered Indigenous women and its impact on Indian Country](#)

WGNO New Orleans – October 16, 2020

[The U.S Department of Justice \(DOJ\) finds that American Indian women face murder rates that are more than 10 times the national average and four out of five Native women will experience some form of violence in their lifetime.](#) Many people may be wondering the same thing: why? Whitney Gravelle, the tribal attorney for the Bay Mills Indian Community, said it's due to a lack of resources, law enforcement jurisdiction, and inter-generational trauma.

## [The Unique Problems Facing Native American Youths in the Criminal Justice System](#)

Slate – October 19, 2020

Generations of historical trauma and increased exposure to violence make young Native Americans more vulnerable to the complicated, often contradictory clutches of the juvenile justice system, legal experts say. Once in the justice system, Native children become lost in a jurisdictional web, a dysfunctional state system and a federal system that has no proper place for them.

## [Tribal Leaders Respond To Attorney General's Recommendation On Sovereignty](#)

Drive - October 21, 2020

Three months after the Supreme Court's ruling on tribal jurisdiction, state leaders are suggesting a path forward. Oklahoma's Attorney General wrote a letter to Congress recommending federal legislation to help Oklahoma and tribes deal with the impact of the U.S. Supreme Court's ruling on tribal jurisdiction. Hunter points to examples like child welfare, where federal law allows the state joint-jurisdiction if there is a compact with the tribe. Hunter also recommended state leaders develop a process with the Five Tribes to focus on civil issues.

## [Oklahoma AG suggests federal law to let tribes share jurisdiction with state after McGirt ruling](#)

Tulsa World – October 22, 2020

Oklahoma Attorney General Mike Hunter's attempt to broker an agreement between the state and its most powerful American Indian tribes concerning issues arising from the U.S. Supreme Court's landmark McGirt decision appeared to meet with mixed response on Wednesday.

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## ['Find a path forward': Commission on Cooperative Sovereignty releases report](#)

Nondoc.com – October 22, 2020

Oklahoma Gov. Kevin Stitt's Commission on Cooperative Sovereignty released its preliminary report about how to address the civil and criminal legal uncertainties following court decisions that have affirmed about 40 percent of the state is composed of Indian reservations.

## [Indigenizing Minnesota's largest courtroom](#)

Indian Country Today – October 22, 2020

Inside a Minneapolis courtroom is a row of flags representing tribal nations who called the land home well before Minnesota became a state. Flags from Ojibwe and Dakota nations were gifted to a Hennepin County Juvenile Justice Center courtroom that hears many of the state's Indian Child Welfare Act cases. The center is a branch of Minnesota's Fourth Judicial District. The flags were part of a project Terri Yellowhammer, Standing Rock Sioux, helped bring to fruition in an effort to build a better partnership with the 11 tribes in Minnesota and the judicial system.

## [In the face of #MMIWG, Indigenous women fight back](#)

High Country News – October 26, 2020

On the Blackfeet Indian Reservation, girls and women box, march and continue searching for those lost. The ghosts of the missing and murdered women refuse to be forgotten. They are silent guests at every function on the Blackfeet Indian Reservation.

## [Texas leads fight to end protections for Native American children](#)

Raw Story - October 28, 2020

The top legal officers of Texas, Louisiana and Indiana-all Republicans-are trying to end legal protections that make it more difficult for child welfare agencies to tear apart Native American families. The Indian Child Welfare Act is widely considered a "gold standard" in child welfare policy and provides rights to Native American families that other families in our country don't have such as requiring expert witness testimony before a judge approves placing a child in foster care. Even with the extra protections, Native American children are still more likely to be removed from their families by state child welfare systems.

## PUBLICATIONS

### [Center for Native Child and Family Resilience: Environmental Scan](#)

Alcaraz, Carlos.;Braithwaite, Jeremy.;Burststein, Matt.;Ernst, Anthony J.;Fisher, Emily.;Jones, Brian.;Lindcamp, Robert.;Martinez, Art.;Roberson-Wing, Tashia.;Shoulders, Roshanda.

This report presents the findings of an environmental scan that was conducted to identify important community-level research and demonstrations of innovative cultural- and practice-based strategies that are improving the lives of Tribal families and children within Indian Country. The process was guided by community-based participatory research and involved the following high-level steps: developing a semi-structured survey to assess and document community demonstrations, cultural models of care, and practice-based initiatives that impact Tribal family resilience and the reduction of risk of child maltreatment; searching for programs that promote child and family resilience by Tribal community service agencies; collecting information about these programs in a structured abstract; creating a catalog of projects and programs; and continuing to scan the environment for additional strategies throughout the remainder of the project as information is made available and updating the catalog as appropriate. Following information about conducting the environmental scan, Section 2 of the report provides an overview of prevention and intervention models. Section 3 reviews risk and protective factors, cultural and spiritual resilience factors, and strengths and challenges faced by models. A conclusion discusses findings that indicate the models typically involved one or more of the following seven categories of prevention or intervention strategy: parenting skills, family life skills, home visitation, family and community resilience, social services/case management, traditional life stage, and behavioral health and wellness.

### [Infant And Early Childhood Mental Health In American Indian And Alaska Native Communities.](#)

Ekaterina Zoubak

Zero to Three v. 40, 5, May 2020, p. 66-72

What key ingredients are needed to effectively promote the mental health and resilience of young children in American Indian and Alaskan Native communities? What should non-indigenous allies know when working with Indigenous communities and partners to support young child wellness? What elements and contexts should be

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taken into consideration when designing and funding such efforts? The following article examines these questions and shares insights and perspectives from those who are working toward better outcomes for young children and families in American Indian and Alaskan Native Communities.

## [Children In Foster Care, By Race/Ethnicity](#)

Lucile Packard Foundation for Children's Health, Kidsdata.org

This interactive webpage provides information on the race and ethnicity of children in foster care in different California counties for 2000 through 2018. Statistics are provided for African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian/Pacific Islander, Hispanic/Latino, and White children. The county data is able to be presented in a table, bar, trend chart, and map.

## [The Framing of Indigenous Canadian Families: A Historical Discourse Analysis](#)

Amber Pfliger

Canadian Journal of Family and Youth v. 12, 2, January 6, 2020, p. 69-83

A study examined the framing of Indigenous family within 19 Canadian newspaper articles from 1860-2019. Findings indicate Indigenous families can be recognized through three distinct eras, each of which contributes to the development of discourse and the framing of Indigenous families. The first date range of 1860-1930 can be characterized as the era of the Indian Act, an Act that confirmed the notion that Indigenous populations were inferior to Europeans and that for them to assimilate into Canadian society, they would be to be regulated; the period of 1930-1980 can be characterized as the era of residential schooling when Indigenous children were violently removed from their families, regardless of parental protest, and forced to attend state-sanctioned boarding schools. The last era covers 1980-2019 and can be recognized as the era of truth and reconciliation that acknowledges Canada's colonial legacy and emphasizes the importance of Indigenous healing. These findings are discussed concerning cultural framing and its effects on Indigenous populations.

## [ICWA](#)

Child Welfare Capacity Building Collaborative

Intended for tribal leaders and child welfare professionals, this brief explains the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) is a federal law passed in 1978 in response to the devastating number of American Indian and Alaska Native children being removed from their families and placed in non-Native homes. It notes ICWA requires States and courts to protect the best interest of Indian children by keeping their connections to family, community, and culture intact, and that compliance is mandatory yet many State and court systems are still struggling to understand and effectively meet these requirements. Key provisions of the ICWA are discussed, and disproportionality rates of Native youth in foster care systems in different States are described. Additional information is provided on the most critical issues of noncompliance with ICWA. Links are then provided on the law and Bureau of Indian Affairs regulations concerning the law; resources for a clearer understanding of ICWA; ICWA Implementation Partnership Grants; judicial guidelines for ICWA; ICWA information for State agencies; State agency practice material gathered during a Tribal ICWA Peer-to-Peer group meeting with the Capacity Building Center for Tribes; resources for following ICWA placement preferences; and additional ICWA resources.

## [2019 Report On Disproportionality Of Placements Of Indian Children](#)

National Indian Child Welfare Association (NICWA)

This brief explains there are higher percentages of American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) children found in the child welfare system than in the general population, and that the overrepresentation of AI/AN children often starts with reports of abuse and neglect at rates proportionate to their population numbers but grows higher at each major decision point from investigation to placement, culminating in the overrepresentation of AI/AN children in placements outside the home. It notes nationwide AI/AN children are overrepresented in foster care at a rate 2.6 times greater than their proportion in the general population. A chart is then provided that shows the disproportionality rate of 15 States with the highest rate in 2017, including Minnesota, Wisconsin, North Dakota, and South Dakota. An additional chart shows the dramatic increase in the disproportionality of AI/AN children from 2009 to 2014.

## [Center for Native Child and Family Resilience: Literature Review](#)

Children's Bureau: Administration on Children, Youth and Families

This report presents the findings of a literature review that sought to identify practices that have been used in Tribal communities to confront and solve child maltreatment, with an emphasis on Tribally owned and internally developed practices, practices that have undergone a transformative process of cultural adaptation, and evidence-based practices that show promise for cultural adaptation. It begins by



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discussing the prevalence of child abuse and neglect in American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) families, and noting legal and social services infrastructures that regularly use culturally incongruent prevention efforts and interventions to address child maltreatment. Following sections explain how the literature review was conducted, highlight some of the major risk and protective factors identified in the literature review, and outline structural constraints on the literature review. Major findings of the review are then presented, including sample interventions. The findings are organized into three broad categories, based on the adaptation level of the interventions the articles described: tribal creation, tribal adaptation, and promising, not adopted. The review found: the majority of intervention were tribal adaptations; programs and interventions should include core elements and foundational practices for working with Native families and Tribal communities; and there is a need for all models and providers to include information about the conceptual framework for working in Indian Country, including the core concepts of worldview, spirituality, harmony and wellness, oppression, social dominance and wellness, cultural competence, assessment, and treatment. Numerous references.

### [Disproportionality Rates for Children of Color in Foster Care \(Fiscal Year 2015\).](#)

Ganasarajah, Shamini.;Siegel, Gene.;Sickmund, Melissa.

National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges (NCJFCJ)

This Technical Assistance Bulletin (TAB) explains children of color are disproportionately represented in the United States foster care system, and that in most States, there are higher proportions of African American/Black and American Indian children in foster care than in the general child population. This bulletin presents disproportionality rates for all 50 States, as well as Washington D.C. and Puerto Rico for 2000 and 2015. In addition to calculating the rate of disproportionality for children in care, it explores other decision points where there may be differences based on race or ethnicity by examining differences in the median number of placements for children, the current placement type (relative, foster care, congregate care) and the time to achieving permanency. Charts show the disproportionality index of children in foster care by race/ethnicity and State for 2000 and 2015, changes in disproportionality, 5-year national trend data in disproportionality, and the rates of African American disproportionality in foster care placements. Individual State charts provide information on children in out-of-home care by race and ethnicity in 2014, racial disproportionality index in 2015, median number of placements by race, and placement types by race and ethnicity. Data show that from 2011 to 2015, the number of African American/Black and American Indian/Alaska Native children in care has remained disproportionate; however, from 2013 the disproportionality rate of African American/Black children in care, while still disproportionately represented, has decreased. Conversely, the disproportionality rate of American Indian/Alaska Native children in care has steadily increased since 2013.

### [Operation Lady Justice: Missing Person Clearinghouses Fact Sheet](#)

Presidential Task Force on Missing and Murdered American Indians and Alaska Natives

The Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974 was amended in 1985 to provide States with assistance to either establish and operate or to expand and operate statewide clearinghouses for information regarding missing and exploited children.

Many states expanded the missing child clearinghouse to include adults, missing endangered adults, and/or missing persons with dementia or other mental disabilities.

### [Operation Lady Justice Task Force Accomplishments Fact Sheet](#)

Presidential Task Force on Missing and Murdered American Indians and Alaska Natives

The Presidential Task Force on Missing and Murdered American Indians and Alaska Natives, also known as Operation Lady Justice, is focused on enhancing the operation of the criminal justice system and addressing the legitimate concerns of American Indian and Alaska Native communities regarding missing and murdered people – particularly missing and murdered women and girls.

### [Operation Lady Justice Summary Fact Sheet](#)

Presidential Task Force on Missing and Murdered American Indians and Alaska Natives

On November 26, 2019, President Trump signed Executive Order 13898, forming the Task Force on Missing and Murdered American Indians and Alaska Natives; Co-Chairs are Attorney General William P. Barr and Secretary of the Interior David L. Bernhardt. The Task Force aims to enhance the operation of the criminal justice system and address the legitimate concerns of American Indian and Alaska Native communities regarding missing and murdered people – particularly missing and murdered women and girls.

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## [Victim Centered, Trauma Informed, Culturally Appropriate Services in American Indians/Alaska Natives Missing Person Cases](#)

Presidential Task Force on Missing and Murdered American Indians and Alaska Natives  
Overview of requirements and resources for Victim Centered, Trauma Informed, Culturally Appropriate services for victims.

## [Operation Lady Justice: Administration for Children and Families Hotlines Fact Sheet](#)

Presidential Task Force on Missing and Murdered American Indians and Alaska Natives  
The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) has an important role in supporting domestic violence survivors, runaway and homeless youth, and trafficking survivors. There are four primary hotlines/helplines supported by ACF, which are noted below. We want to assure you that they remain open and available to serve these vulnerable populations. The hotline/helpline information can also be found on an ACF hotlines/helplines summary webpage, in addition to program office web pages. A link to the ACF hotlines/helplines summary web page is also on the ACF COVID-19 Responses and Resources web page.

## [Announcing the Launch of the Indian Child Welfare Act \(ICWA\) Desk Reference for the Social Work Practitioner](#)

California Department of Social Services, Office of Tribal Affairs  
The Office of Tribal Affairs is excited to announce the launch of the of ICWA Desk Reference. Mary Risling, Former CDSS Tribal Consultant is the principal author of the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) Desk Reference Guide, which is a compilation of valuable ICWA-related resources. The ICWA Desk Reference is intended to provide the social work practitioner with quick access to important background information on the act, links to federal and state authority, and valuable practice tips to make their jobs easier and improve the uniform application of the law.

How to use the ICWA Desk Reference training: [Link to pdf](#)

Digital ICWA Desk Reference Guide: [Link to pdf](#)

## [The Tribal Right to Exclude Non-Tribal Members from Indian-Owned Lands,](#)

Alexander Tallchief Skibine

Forthcoming from the American Indian Law Review, on SSRN 1981, the Supreme Court issued its decision in Montana v. United States, severely restricting the ability of Indian Tribes to assume civil regulatory and adjudicatory jurisdiction over non-tribal members for activities taking place on non-Indian lands within Indian reservations. The Court in Montana stated that “it could readily agree” with the Court of Appeals’ holding that the tribe could regulate the conduct of non-member on tribal lands. Yet, twenty years later, the Court issued its opinion in Nevada v. Hicks holding that in certain circumstances, the jurisdiction of Indian tribes could also be limited even if the activities of the non-members took place on Indian-owned lands.

It has been almost twenty years since Hicks and because of the cryptic and fractured nature of that decision, the federal circuits are divided and still trying to figure out under what circumstances tribal civil jurisdiction over non-members should be restricted when these activities take place on Indian-owned lands.

## [Jails in Indian Country, 2017-2018](#)

U.S. Department of Justice – Office of Justice Programs Bureau of Justice Statistics

October 2020, NCJ 252155

This report is the seventeenth in a series that began in 1998. It provides statistics on demographic characteristics, most serious offense, and conviction status of the tribal inmate population, and also describes facility characteristics, including bed space and staffing. This report supports the mandate established by the Tribal Law and Order Act of 2010.

Findings are based on data from BJS’s [Annual Survey of Jails in Indian Country](#), which includes all Indian country correctional facilities operated by tribal authorities or the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

## [American Indian and Alaska Native Grandfamilies: Helping Children Thrive Through Connection to Family and Cultural Identity. Toolkit](#)

Generations United. National Indian Child Welfare Association. 2020

Both inside and outside the foster care system, American Indian and Alaska Native children are more likely to live in grandfamilies—families in which grandparents, other adult family members or close family friends are raising children with no parents in the home—than any other racial or ethnic group.

Over the last few decades, drug epidemics, natural disasters and other tragedies have both created grandfamilies and challenged existing ones. The COVID-19 pandemic is the latest crisis to have elevated

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the needs of these families, and in particular the needs of American Indian and Alaska Native families, who are being disproportionately impacted by the pandemic. The rates of infection and death are staggering. For example, as of early May 2020 in the Navajo Nation, the mortality and infection rates are higher than the vast majority of states.

This toolkit is designed to give resources and tips to child welfare agencies, other government agencies and nonprofit organizations, so they can better serve all American Indian and Alaska Native grandfamilies regardless of child welfare involvement. It will explore some unique strengths and challenges of these grandfamilies, which agencies and organizations need to recognize in order to provide culturally appropriate supportive services.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Virtual Consultation Sessions: [Consultation on the Tribal Set-Aside from the Crime Victims Fund for Fiscal Year 2021](#)**

Office of Victims of Crime

11/17/2020 and 11/18/2020 | 2 p.m. ET

Register for Virtual Consultation on the Fiscal Year 2021 Crime Victims Fund Tribal Set-Aside Formula Program

The Office for Victims of Crime invites tribal leaders, representatives, and stakeholders to participate in the Consultation on the Tribal Set-Aside from the Crime Victims Fund for Fiscal Year 2021. Attendees will discuss the FY 2021 Crime Victims Fund Tribal Set-Aside and potential revisions to the interim formula and application process used in 2020. The Tribal Victim Services Set-Aside Program provides support to tribal communities to enhance services for victims of crime.

Participate in virtual consultation sessions on Tuesday, November 17, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. eastern time and Wednesday, November 18, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. eastern time.

To register and/or indicate your interest in speaking, [visit the registration site](#). For the consultations, we will be accepting pre-recorded statements. If you are interested in submitting pre-recorded remarks, indicate that preference when you register.

### **[Just Launched: Human Trafficking Capacity Building Center Website](#)**

As part of our commemoration of the 20th anniversary of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act, the Office for Victims of Crime announces the launch of the [Human Trafficking Capacity Building Center website](#).

Operated by the Office for Victims of Crime, the Center seeks to strengthen human trafficking victim services in the United States by delivering free coaching, mentoring, and a resource library for organizations and federally recognized tribes looking to start, sustain, or grow their anti-trafficking work. The Center offers help in a number of areas, including financial management, community partnerships, delivery of victim services, and more. Watch the [Human Trafficking Capacity Building Center video](#), and visit the [Center's new website](#) to learn more.

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[View an informational Framing Paper](#) that provides relevant background and questions for you to consider in advance of the consultations. For more information, please contact OVC by email at [ovctribalsetaside@ojp.usdoj.gov](mailto:ovctribalsetaside@ojp.usdoj.gov).

### **[The Intertribal Court of Southern California Seeks Tribal Court Administrator](#)**

The Intertribal Court of Southern California is currently hiring for the position of Court Administrator. Please see below for a position announcement. The position is open until filled, and interested applicants should submit a cover letter and résumé via Indeed.



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## [Truth and Healing Commission on Indian Boarding School Policy in the U.S. Act Legislation](#)

introduced by Congresswoman Deb Haaland (NM-01) & U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren (Mass.) The problem.:The full effects of the Indian Boarding School Policy have never been appropriately addressed, resulting in longstanding historical and intergenerational trauma, cycles of violence and abuse, disappearance, premature deaths, and additional undocumented psychological trauma. Additionally, the residual impact of the Indian Boarding School Policy remains evident in a lack of culturally inclusive and affirming school curricula and historically inaccurate representation of American Indian and Alaska Native people, history, and contributions. The solution: The Truth and Healing Commission on Indian Boarding School Policy in the United States Act will establish the first formal commission in United States history to investigate, document, and acknowledge past injustices of the federal government’s cultural genocide and assimilation practices. The commission is intended to develop recommendations for Congress to aid in healing of the historical and intergenerational trauma passed down in Native American families and communities and provide a forum for victims to speak about these human rights violations for the first time.

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## [Violent Victimization by Race or Ethnicity, 2005-2019](#)

U.S. Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs

October 2020 NCJ255578

This report provides the rate and number of violent victimizations from 2005 to 2019 by victim race or ethnicity. Findings are based on data from BJS’s National Crime Victimization Survey.

## ONLINE RESOURCES

### [Tribal Resource Tool: A searchable directory of all services available for AI/AN survivors of crime and abuse in Indian Country](#)

The Office for Victims of Crime of the U.S. Department of Justice has funded the National Center for Victims of Crime, National Congress of American Indians, Tribal Law and Policy Institute, and StrongHearts Native Helpline to create a web-based resource mapping tool that:

- provides a listing of all services available for AI/AN survivors of crime and abuse and
- identifies gaps in victim services so those can be addressed

The project team has gathered input from stakeholders across Indian Country and urban Indian communities about the design and content of the tool. Over 100 stakeholders have been engaged through web-meetings, in-person meetings, and focus groups.

Learn more about the tool in: **The Journey to Serve and to Expand Services to American Indian/Alaska Native Victims Of Crime in a Digital World: Parts 1 and 2**

Tribal Resource Tool: Resources for Survivors of Crime and Abuse National Center for Victims of Crime

[View webinar recording \(part 1\)](#)

[View webinar recording \(part 2\)](#)

[View webinar PowerPoint presentation \(part 1\)](#)

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[View Tribal Resource Tool Final Report](#)

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## Newslinks

This is a service that the Judicial Council Public Affairs 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 the Judicial Council of California Tribal/State Programs Unit at 415-865-7739 or [cfcc@jud.ca.gov](mailto:cfcc@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](#).

## WEBINARS & PODCASTS

The [Tribal Law and Policy Institute](#) (TLPI) in coordination with [Minnesota Indian Women's Sexual Assault Coalition](#) (MIWSAC) will be hosting a six part webinar series presenting Sex Trafficking in Indian Country: Advocacy Curriculum.

### Webinar Wednesday Series

*All webinars will begin at 10:00 AM AKT/11:00 AM PT/12:00 PM MT/1:00 PM CT/2:00 PM ET  
2nd and 4th Wednesday, October-December 2020*

- Wednesday, November 11: Unit 2 - Identifying and Screening for Sex Trafficking
- Wednesday, November 25: Unit 3 - Advocacy for Victims of Sex Trafficking
- Wednesday, December 9: Unit 4 - Legal Advocacy, Part I
- Wednesday, December 23: Unit 4 - Legal Advocacy, Part II

Register Here: [https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_ft9LyHz3QuCYAhQ5xkDNFQ](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ft9LyHz3QuCYAhQ5xkDNFQ)

You may register for all or some of the webinar series with the same registration link. Previous webinars are not a prerequisite for the series.

The Sex Trafficking in Indian Country: Advocacy Curriculum (Curriculum) is designed to introduce information on sex trafficking of Native people, covering topics such as the definition of sex trafficking, red flags, trafficker tactics, screening for sex trafficking, and advocacy roles and responsibilities. The Curriculum consists of three components:

[Instructor Guide](#), [Participant Workbook](#), and [PowerPoints](#). (2020)

For more information and to download the curriculum, visit [www.TribalTrafficking.org](http://www.TribalTrafficking.org). This website provides comprehensive information on sex trafficking as it impacts Native people and Native nations; including publication resources, victim service directories, and training calendars. Be sure to visit our blog, [Sex Trafficking in Indian Country Update](#), which contains the latest media, news articles, and policy updates on sex trafficking in Indian Country.

### Building Stress-Resilient Tribal Communities

National Criminal Justice Training Center - Wednesday, Nov 4, 2020 | 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm CST

Review stress factors, the toxic stress of poverty, the correlation between stress and alcohol and substance abuse, and the protective nature of community on stress resilience. Discuss the generational impact on stress resilience. Explore the predictive quality of social and community support on building stress resilience and stress management and reduction strategies.

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## [Strategies to Reduce Underage Substance Abuse in Tribal Communities](#)

National Criminal Justice Training Center of Fox Valley Technical College

November 18, 2020 – 1:00PM – 2:30 PM CST

Examine key predictors of under aged substance abuse. Discuss the long-term impact of under aged substance use, prevalence rates among tribal communities, and strategies to reduce or delay under aged substance use in tribal communities.

The [National Native American Boarding School Healing Coalition](#) will be hosting the first-ever Boarding School Healing Virtual Summit on Wednesday, November 18, 2020.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, they have tentatively moved their annual conference to spring 2021, but they hope to see you all at the Virtual Summit this fall. Save the date for this exciting event—more information on presenters, agenda, and registration coming soon.

## [Examining the Relationship between Adverse Childhood Experiences and Substance Use among Tribal Populations](#)

National Criminal Justice Training Center of Fox Valley Technical College

December 2, 2020 – 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM CST

Examine the relationship between adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) and substance use, with an emphasis on research specific to tribal communities and youth. Discuss the confounding effects of social economic factors and ethnicity-based differences in prevalence rates. Review culturally-enhanced treatment options for ACEs. Explore specific strategies for caregivers, prevention specialists, treatment providers, criminal justice professionals and community members.

### **Pre-Recorded Webinars & Podcasts:**

#### [Returning to Honor: Using Culturally-Based Teaching in Batterer’s Intervention Programs](#)

Native American communities once had high standards of expected behavior, and swift consequences when those were violated; one was expected to act with honor. Yet, today we see that many men don’t act with honor, and even more stay silent. This presentation provides examples of Native American teachings to create awareness around domestic and sexual violence based on those teachings so men act with honor to treat women as sacred within batterer’s intervention programming.

#### [AMBER Alert in Indian Country](#)

National Criminal Justice Training Center of Fox Valley Technical Institute

Recorded on June 18, 2019

Gain an understanding of the Ashlynnne Mike AMBER Alert in Indian Country Act of 2018 and the ongoing efforts by the AMBER Alert Training and Technical Assistance Program (AATTAP) to support the implementation of this Act. During this webinar, you will learn from past child abduction and exploitation events on tribal lands and the challenges facing tribes in protecting children; review best practices for collaborating with the state AMBER Alert program to bring AMBER Alert to Indian Country, and discuss current resources available through the AATTAP.

#### [Amber Alert in Indian Country 101 – Community Response](#)

National Criminal Justice Training Center of Fox Valley Technical Institute

Recorded on September 16, 2020

AMBER Alerts are activated in the most serious child-abduction cases. The goal of an AMBER Alert is to instantly galvanize the community to assist in the search for and safe recovery of a missing child. These alerts are broadcast through radio, TV, road signs, cellphones, and other data-enabled devices. During this webinar, tribal community members will understand law enforcement’s response to missing and abducted children, and when an AMBER Alert is an effective tool. Recognize the importance of bridging the gap between law enforcement and the community. Explain and understand how community members can assist during and before a missing or abducted child situation.

#### [Community Workshop on Child Sex Trafficking in Tribal Communities](#)

National Criminal Justice Training Center – Fox Valley Technical College

Join first responders, community members, and child protection officials for this eight-hour workshop to combat trafficking and exploitation of minors. During this workshop, you will learn the dynamics of trafficking and participate in a focus group discussion on the efforts to identify, prevent, and respond to human trafficking, as well as the special considerations related to the abduction, trafficking, and exploitation of Native women and

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children. The workshop will conclude with a survivor’s perspective to the community’s response to protect our children. Training available on request: [here](#)

[A Tribal-State Collaboration Model: Poarch Band of Creek Indians' Journey to Success](#)

[Building AMBER Alert in Indian Country](#)

[Building Better and Stronger Tribal Justice Systems: Part 1- Sovereignty Considerations as Part of Planning](#)

[Building Better and Stronger Tribal Justice Systems: Part 2- Customs, Traditions, and Values as Part of Planning](#)

[Developing a Tribal Coordinated Community Response \(CCR\) Team](#)

[Educating Tribal Leadership about Your Victim Services Program](#)

[Facility Dogs: Community Policing and Tribal Court Partners](#)

[Indicators for At-Risk Native American Children](#)

[Integrated Tribal Domestic Violence Court](#)

[Interview Strategies with Native American Children](#)

[Mobile Advocacy in Tribal Communities](#)

[Multidisciplinary Teams in Indian Country](#)

[Policy and Procedures: Introduction to Policy Development \(Part 1\)](#)

[Policy and Procedures: Process to Support Policy Development and Implementation \(Part 2\)](#)

[Policy and Procedures: Policy Development: Key Inclusions, Resources, and Implementation \(Part 3\)](#)

[Restorative Justice / Restorative Practices Webinar Series: Part 1](#)

[Restorative Justice / Restorative Practices Webinar Series: Part 2](#)

[Restorative Justice / Restorative Practices Webinar Series: Part 3](#)

[Sexual Assault Response Team \(SART\) Development in Tribal Communities](#)

[Tribal Law Enforcement Recruitment and Retention: Successful Strategies](#)

[Tribal Outreach, Prevention, and Intervention Strategies](#)

[Tribal Remedies for Violation of Domestic Violence Protection Orders](#)

[Youth Engagement Strategies: Fostering Development of Tomorrow's Tribal Criminal Justice Leaders](#)

[Child Welfare Information Gateway Podcast Series](#)

Audio podcasts support learning-on-the-go and allow us to hear the outcomes, experiences, and tips from innovators across the child welfare continuum. This podcast series, produced by Child Welfare Information Gateway on behalf of the Children’s Bureau, presents a series of interviews and group conversations intended to provide beneficial information for busy child welfare and social work professionals. The podcasts cover a wide range of topics and provide perspectives from communities served by child welfare agencies and tips and stories from professionals about implementing new services and programs, working across agencies, and improving practice. Topic Areas: Foster Care: A Path to Reunification; Tribal Courts and Child Welfare Series; Housing’s Critical Connection to Child Welfare Series; Family Group Decision-Making Series; Prevention - Services and Programs; Prevention – Protective Factors; Workforce Series; Child Welfare Then and Now;

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Diligent Recruitment Series; Collaborating between Child Welfare and Mental Health; Supporting Kinship Caregivers Series; Engaging Fathers Series; Washington, D.C., and the Local Child Welfare Professional Working With the Correctional System and Incarcerated Parents; Secondary Traumatic Stress; Interagency Collaboration to Address Human Trafficking and Engaging Youth in Foster Care.

### UPCOMING CONFERENCES AND TRAININGS

#### [\[Virtual\] 2020 DC Indian Law Conference](#)

**November 5-6, 2020**

**Federal Bar Association**

From the global pandemic to racial justice and the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in *McGirt v. Oklahoma*, 2020 has presented novel challenges and opportunities, bringing Indian Country and the nation to a turning point. Please join us for the Virtual D.C. Indian Law Conference on November 5-6, 2020 as we hear how Tribes are navigating this unparalleled chapter in modern history. Panel topics will include Looking Forward After *McGirt*, the Impacts of COVID-19 on Indian Country, Successes and Challenges of the Last Four Years, and Racial Disparity and Ethics in the Indian Law Practice.

#### [Indigenous Law Conference 2020](#)

**November 10, 12, 13, 2020 on Zoom**

**Tribal In-House Counsel Association**

**Michigan State University, College of Law**

Our conference is diverse in topics, gender, race, and art. Keynote speakers have included assistant secretaries, former chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission, federal judges, tribal judges, and former Interior Solicitor. Three of our proceedings have been published as books (*Indian Child Welfare Act Conference*, collected at MSU Press; *Indian Civil Rights Act Conference*, collected at UCLA, American Indian Studies Press; and *American Indian Law and Literature*, collected by American Indian Law Review).

The ILPC/TICA Indigenous Law Conference gives new and interesting scholars a forum, provides students an opportunity to meet professionals in the field, and promotes Indian Law within our law school, Michigan State University, the State of Michigan, and beyond.

#### [39th Annual Protecting our Children Conference](#)

**April 11–14, 2021**

**Seattle, Washington**

National Indian Child Welfare Association:

Join us as we gather for the Annual Protecting Our Children Conference, the premier national event addressing tribal child welfare. Each year, NICWA hosts the largest national gathering on American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) child advocacy issues. With over 1,400 attendees—and growing every year—this four-day conference has become the premiere national event addressing tribal child welfare and well-being. Keynote speakers range from federal officials at the highest level of government to youth with lived experience in child welfare systems. [Conference agenda](#)

#### [2021 CalSWEC Title IV-E Summit: Anti-Racism Series](#)

**NEW DATES-3 Part Series: January 27, 2021, February 26, 2021 & March 24, 2021**

**Virtual Summit**

This child welfare conference is distinctly structured to bring together a diverse array of social work practitioners, educators, and CalSWEC Title IV-E students around relevant child welfare-related themes and goals.

In lieu of an in-person 2021 IV-E Summit, and in response to the ongoing call for sustained, anti-racist action, the Title IV-E team and student planning committee will be hosting the 2021 CalSWEC Title IV-E Summit as a three-part Anti-Racism Virtual Series.

Registration link will be available soon. Email [calswec\\_events@berkeley.edu](mailto:calswec_events@berkeley.edu) if you have questions about event logistics. Email Rose Chahla, Title IV-E Assistant Director, at [rose.chahla@berkeley](mailto:rose.chahla@berkeley) if you have questions about the Summit content or eligibility.



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## COVID-19 SPECIFIC GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

### [NIA Multi-site COVID-19 Related Clinical Trial Implementation Grant on Aging-Related Topics in at-risk Older Adult Populations](#)

Department of Health and Human Services  
National Institutes of Health

PAR-20-234

**Deadline: February 1, 2021**

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) invites applications for implementation of investigator-initiated multi-site clinical trials (all phases or stages) of interventions focused on specific aging-related issues to reducing transmission, risk, morbidity, mortality, severity, or complications of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).

### [SARS-CoV-2 \(COVID-19\) Program Activities](#)

Department of Health and Human Services  
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health  
OS-PAW-20-001

**Deadline: To be determined based on public health emergency needs.**

The Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health (OASH) has established the Laboratory and Diagnostics Working Group (LDWG) seeking submissions to a Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) “to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus, domestically or internationally, for necessary expenses to research, develop, validate, manufacture, purchase, administer, and expand capacity for COVID–19 tests to effectively monitor and suppress COVID–19...” (Paycheck Protection Program and Healthcare Enhancement Act (P.L. 116-139)). OASH/LDWG seeks proposals for projects that will further enable the coordination and development of testing and associated products that meet the current and future needs, and the effective transition of technology into broad use without impediments. The primary areas of focus should specifically include (1) Scaling and Networking of Technologies, and (2) Testing Demonstrations & Technical Assistance. Specifically, OASH is interested in submissions that will substantially increase our testing capacity and quality in the near term, and do not fall within the scope of other HHS programs.

When posted, the funding opportunity announcement (FOA) will provide guidance for applicants on the submission of short white papers, which after review, may be followed by full proposal submissions for consideration for funding. Applicants will have the option of forgoing the white paper submission for direct submission of a full proposals. Applications will be accepted and reviewed on a rolling basis to address immediate public needs. Applicants must submit white papers and applications through Grants.gov according to the instructions in the FOA. Applicants must have an active SAM registration at the time of submission and maintain an active registration throughout the review process and during any award that may result.

**BACKGROUND:** On January 31, 2020, HHS Secretary Alex M. Azar II declared a public health emergency in response to the 2019 novel coronavirus, now known as SARS-CoV-2, or COVID-19. Testing is vital to prevent and contain outbreaks that may occur as economic and social activities expand across the country. Accordingly, the Paycheck Protection Program and Healthcare Enhancement Act (P.L. 116-139) provides funding to HHS to “to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus, domestically or internationally, for necessary expenses to research, develop, validate, manufacture, purchase, administer, and expand capacity for COVID–19 tests to effectively monitor and suppress COVID–19...” As part of the response to this requirement, and in order to administer agency actions to mitigate the pandemic, the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health (OASH) Laboratory and Diagnostics Working Group (LDWG) complements existing efforts within the Department. To meet current and future challenges with the least possible risk, the nation needs more testing - with increasingly diverse, accurate, and affordable platforms – that are tailored to specific use cases.

**Please Contact:**

Eric West Office of Grants & Acquisitions Management  
240-453-8822

[Office of Grants & Acquisitions Management](#)

### [NCAI Financial Relief for Tribal Nations Affected by COVID-19](#)

With the continued spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), NCAI is committed to supporting Indian Country and lifting up our communities as we continue to combat this global pandemic. Keeping in mind the needs of our tribal nations. NCAI is awarding \$5,000 to various tribal nations that have been affected by this pandemic through NCAI’s [COVID-19 Response Fund](#) for Indian Country.

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Applications guidelines are located [here](#). NCAI Contact: Christian Weaver, *Vice President of Development*, [cweaver@ncai.org](mailto:cweaver@ncai.org)

## Coronavirus (COVID-19): FEMA Assistance for Tribal Nations

On March 13, 2020, the President announced a nationwide emergency declaration in response to coronavirus (COVID-19). As a result, tribal nations have two options to receive funding under the Presidential declaration.

- FEMA assistance for tribal nations related to COVID-19, click [here](#).
- What expenses qualify as Eligible Emergency Protective Measures, click [here](#).
- An example of a Tribal Public Assistance Administrative plan, click [here](#).
- FEMA regional tribal liaison and FEMA headquarters contact information, click [here](#).
- FEMA resources located on NCAI's COVID-19 microsite, click [here](#).

## GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

### [Head Start/Early Head Start Grantee -- Communities in the state of California](#)

**Department of Health and Human Services  
Administration for Children and Families - OHS  
HHS-2021-ACF-OHS-CH-R09-1860  
Deadline: November 6, 2020**

The Administration for Children and Families, Office of Head Start will solicit applications from public or private non-profit organizations, including community-based and faith-based organizations, or for-profit organizations that wish to compete for funds to provide Head Start and/or Early Head Start services to eligible children and families. Funding may be available in two individually defined service areas within the state of California. Interested applicants should visit the website noted in the "Link to Additional Information" to view the list of projected service areas and their corresponding funding levels in this state. These service areas are subject to change until a funding opportunity announcement is published. Applicants may email the OHS Operations Center at [OHSTech@reviewops.org](mailto:OHSTech@reviewops.org) for additional information.

### [HUD FY2020 Healthy Homes and Weatherization Cooperation Demonstration](#)

**Department of Housing and Urban Development  
FR-6400-N-62  
Deadline: November 9, 2020**

To fund Healthy Homes and Weatherization Program Cooperation Demonstration grants in localities that are served by both Healthy Homes and Weatherization Assistance Programs to determine whether coordination between the programs with respect to the implementation of healthy homes remediation activities and energy conservation measures achieves cost effectiveness and better outcomes in improving the safety and quality of homes. The following are the major goals and objectives of this NOFA: Identify effective strategies for coordination between Lead/Healthy Homes (LHH) and Weatherization programs that maximize program efficiencies and benefits to occupants. Reduce Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) deferrals through coordination with LHH programs. Establish sustainable models of inter-program cooperation, including data sharing, reporting, and targeting/recruiting clients. Identify effective models for the sustainable financing of coordinated healthy homes/weatherization interventions. Identify effective strategies for coordination between Lead/Healthy Homes (LHH) and Weatherization programs that maximize program efficiencies and benefits to occupants.

### [Resident Opportunity and Self-Sufficiency Program](#)

**Department of Housing and Urban Development  
FR-6400-N-05  
Deadline: November 19, 2020**

The Resident Opportunity & Self Sufficiency Service Coordinator (ROSS-SC) program is designed to assist residents of Public and Indian Housing make progress towards economic and housing self-sufficiency by removing the educational, professional and health barriers they face. Self sufficiency is defined as an individual's ability to support their household by maintaining financial, housing, and personal/family stability. To achieve self-sufficiency, an individual moves along a continuum towards economic independence and stability; such movement is facilitated by the achievement of individual educational, professional, and health-related goals.

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## [Community Interventions to Address the Consequences of the COVID-19 Pandemic among Health Disparity and Vulnerable Populations](#)

Department of Health and Human Services  
National Institutes of Health

PAR-20-237

**Deadline: December 1, 2020**

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) encourages applications to implement and evaluate community interventions testing 1) the impacts of mitigation strategies to prevent COVID-19 transmission in NIH-designated health disparity populations and other vulnerable groups; and 2) already implemented, new, or adapted interventions to address the adverse psychosocial, behavioral, and socioeconomic consequences of the pandemic on the health of these groups.

## [Indian Housing Block Grant \(IHBG\) - Competitive Grant Program](#)

Department of Housing and Urban Development

FR-6400-N-48

**Deadline: December 10, 2020**

The IHBG program is authorized under Title I of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996, as amended, (25 U.S.C. 4101 et seq.) (NAHASDA). Under the program, eligible Indian tribes and tribally designated housing entities (TDHEs) receive grants to carry out a range of affordable housing activities. Grant funds may be used to develop, maintain, and operate affordable housing in safe and healthy environments on Indian reservations and in other Indian areas and carry out other affordable housing activities. Grant funds must be used to primarily benefit low-income Indian families.

## [Street Outreach Program](#)

Department of Health and Human Services

Administration for Children & Families - ACYF/FYSB

HHS-2021-ACF-ACYF-YO-1926

**Deadline: December 13, 2020**

The Administration for Children and Families, Administration on Children, Youth and Families' Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB) announces the availability of funds under the Street Outreach Program. The purpose of the Street Outreach Program (SOP) is to provide street-based services to runaway, homeless, and street youth who have been subjected to or are at risk of being subjected to sexual abuse, prostitution, sexual exploitation, and severe forms of human trafficking in persons. These services, targeted in areas where street youth congregate, are designed to assist such youth in making healthy choices and providing them access to shelter as well as basic needs, including food, hygiene packages and information on a range of available services.

## [Charting a Course for Economic Mobility and Responsible Parenting - Cohort II](#)

Department of Health and Human Services

Administration for Children and Families - OCSE

HHS-2021-ACF-OCSE-FD-1858

**Deadline: December 20, 2020**

The Office of Child Support Enforcement (OCSE) forecasts inviting eligible applicants to submit applications developing interventions to educate teens and young adults about the financial, legal, and emotional responsibilities of parenthood. The primary goal of the grant projects is to leverage the child support program's expertise on the legal and financial responsibilities of parenting to educate and motivate teens and young adults to postpone parenthood until after they have completed their education, started a career, and entered a committed relationship. The target populations for these three-year grant projects are teens and young adults ages 13-25, including unmarried parents and those who have not yet started families. The grant project design should identify existing public and private entities serving similar populations and establish and/or leverage partnerships to connect educational and motivational programs to additional supportive services promoting economic stability and healthy family formation. Grant project designs will build on, adapt, and enhance existing responsible parenting, paternity, and child support awareness models as well as develop new educational materials and tools. Grantees are expected to collaborate with state or tribal universities to evaluate their projects and to share project materials and resources, intervention lessons, and promising practices for outreach developed as part of the grant project with other state and tribal IV-D agencies. The first cohort of this program will be awarded in FY 2020 (see HHS-2020-ACF-OCSE-FD-1832), and this forecast is for a second cohort of this program to be awarded in FY 2021. The second cohort will be required to participate in peer learning opportunities with

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the first cohort. OCSE is interested in proposals for projects targeting different priority sub-populations or substantially different approaches or geographic areas as FY2020 Course for Economic Mobility and Responsible Parenting Cohort I recipients.

## [Community Connect Grant Program](#)

**Department of Agriculture  
Utilities Programs  
RDRUS-CC-2021**

**Deadline: December 23, 2020**

The Community Connect Grant Program provides financial assistance to eligible applicants that will provide service at or above the Broadband Grant Speed to all premises in rural, economically-challenged communities where broadband service does not exist. The deployment of broadband services on a “community-oriented connectivity” basis stimulates economic development and provides enhanced educational and health care opportunities in rural areas. RUS will give priority to rural areas that demonstrate the greatest need for broadband services, based on the criteria contained herein.

## [Head Start/Early Head Start Grantee -- Communities in the state of California](#)

**Department of Health and Human Services  
Administration for Children and Families - OHS  
HHS-2021-ACF-OHS-CH-R09-1860**

**Deadline: January 5, 2021**

The Administration for Children and Families, Office of Head Start will solicit applications from public or private non-profit organizations, including community-based and faith-based organizations, or for-profit organizations that wish to compete for funds to provide Head Start and/or Early Head Start services to eligible children and families. Funding may be available in two individually defined service areas within the state of California. These service areas are subject to change until a funding opportunity announcement is published. Applicants may email the OHS Operations Center at OHSTech@reviewops.org for additional information.

## [FY 2021 AmeriCorps State and National Grants](#)

**Corporation for National and Community Service  
CNCS-09-11-20**

**Deadline: January 6, 2021**

AmeriCorps grants are awarded to eligible organizations proposing to engage AmeriCorps members in evidence-based or evidence-informed interventions to strengthen communities. An AmeriCorps member is an individual who engages in community service through an approved national service position. Members may receive a living allowance and other benefits while serving. Upon successful completion of their service, members earn a Segal AmeriCorps Education Award from the National Service Trust that members can use to pay for higher education expenses or apply to qualified student loans.

## [Media Projects](#)

**National Endowment for the Humanities  
20200812-TD-TR**

**Deadline: January 6, 2021**

The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Division of Public Programs is accepting applications for the Media Projects program. The purpose of this program is to support collaboration between media producers and scholars to develop humanities content and to prepare documentary film, television, radio, and podcast projects that engage public audiences with humanities ideas in creative and appealing ways. All projects must be grounded in humanities scholarship. Media Projects makes awards at two levels: Development and Production.

## [Detecting and Preventing Suicide Behavior, Ideation and Self-Harm in Youth in Contact with the Juvenile Justice System](#)

**Department of Health and Human Services  
National Institutes of Health  
PAR-18-479**

**Deadline: January 7, 2021**

This initiative supports research to test the effectiveness of combined strategies to both detect and intervene to reduce the risk of suicide behavior, suicide ideation, and non-suicidal self-harm (NSSI) by youth in contact with the juvenile justice system. Opportunities for detection and prevention start at early

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points of contact (e.g., police interaction, the intake interview) and continue through many juvenile justice settings (e.g., pre-trial detention, juvenile or family court activities, court disposition, placement and on-going care in either residential or multiple community settings.) This FOA invites intervention strategies that are designed to be delivered in typical service settings using typically available personnel and resources, to enhance the implementation of interventions that prove effective, enhance their future uptake in diverse settings, and thereby reduce risk of suicide and self-harm in this population. This FOA is published in parallel to a companion R34 FOA (PAR-xx-xxx) supporting pilot studies in preparation for the larger-scale studies described here.

### [Notice of Intent to Publish a Funding Opportunity Announcement for Service-Ready Tools for Identification, Prevention, and Treatment of Individuals at Risk for Suicide RPG](#)

Department of Health and Human Services

National Institutes of Health

NOT-MH-20-068

**Deadline: February 14, 2021**

The NIMH, intends to promote a new initiative by publishing a Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) to solicit applications for research on service-ready tools and technologies that can be used to advance training, quality monitoring, and quality improvement efforts and ultimately improve the availability of evidence-based suicide prevention services.

### [Research Grants for Preventing Violence and Violence Related Injury](#)

Department of Health and Human Services

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - ERA

RFA-CE-21-004

**Deadline: March 5, 2021**

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 that impacts children and youth, collectively referred to as Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs), including child abuse and neglect, teen dating violence, sexual violence, youth violence, and exposure to adult intimate partner violence. This initiative is intended to support the evaluation of primary prevention programs, practices 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 violence). Funds are available to conduct such studies focused on preventing child abuse and neglect and at least one other form of violence affecting children and youth, including teen dating violence, sexual violence, youth violence, and exposure to adult intimate partner violence.

### [Rigorous Evaluation of Policies for their Impacts on the Primary Prevention of Multiple Forms of Violence](#)

Department of Health and Human Services

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - ERA

RFA-CE-21-001

**Deadline: March 5, 2021**

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC) is soliciting research proposals to expand the evidence base for policy approaches for the primary prevention of multiple forms of violence experienced by children, youth, and adults. Policies that promote the social and economic well-being of populations and address community characteristics associated with violence have the potential to reduce rates of multiple forms of violence, including the four forms that are the focus of this announcement: child abuse and neglect, youth violence, intimate partner violence, and sexual violence. To advance NCIPC's commitment to increasing health equity, the intent is to support applications that investigate policies that address structural determinants of health to reduce the disproportionate burden of violence experienced by some groups and communities (e.g., racial /ethnic minorities, people with disabilities, tribal populations, and sexual and gender minorities).

### [The CDC National Centers of Excellence in Youth Violence Prevention \(YVPCs\): Rigorous Evaluation of Prevention Strategies to Prevent and Reduce Community Rates of Youth Violence](#)

Department of Health and Human Services

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - ERA

RFA-CE-21-005

**Deadline: April 5, 2021**



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The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC or Injury Center) is soliciting research proposals to expand the evidence base for the primary prevention of youth violence. The purpose of this announcement is to fund the National Centers of Excellence in Youth Violence Prevention (Youth Violence Prevention Centers or YVPCs) to continue to build the evidence-base for violence prevention strategies and approaches that reduce community rates of youth violence within one or more geographically defined, high-burden communities. YVPCs supported under this announcement must include 4 core features: (1) an administrative infrastructure to support implementation, evaluation, and dissemination activities; to foster necessary local collaborations to achieve the YVPC's goals; and to work with other funded YVPCs as part of the YVPC Network; (2) rigorous evaluation of at least two distinct prevention strategies related to at least two of the four research areas outlined in this NOFO that are designed to reduce community rates of youth violence in a high-burden community or set of communities; (3) integrated training activities for junior and future researchers in youth violence prevention to complement the implementation, rigorous evaluation, and scholarship activities of the YVPC; and (4) a youth advisory council to provide input on the selection, implementation, and evaluation of youth violence prevention strategies.

### [Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance](#)

**Department of Health and Human Services  
Administration for Children and Families - ANA  
HHS-2021-ACF-ANA-NL-1924  
Deadline: April 23, 2021**

The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Administration for Native Americans (ANA) announces that it will be soliciting applications for the Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance program. This 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.

### [Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance-Esther Martinez Immersion](#)

**Department of Health and Human Services  
Administration for Children and Families - ANA  
HHS-2021-ACF-ANA-NB-1958  
Deadline: April 23, 2021**

The Administration for Children and Families, Administration for Native Americans announces that it will be soliciting applications for the Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance - Esther Martinez Immersion program (EMI). The program provides funding for community-based projects that ensure continuing vitality of Native languages through immersion-based instruction. Programs funded under the EMI funding opportunity announcement must meet the requirements for either a Native American Language Nest, or a Native American Survival School. As defined by Esther Martinez Native American Languages Preservation Act (42 U.S.C. 2991b-3(b)(7)), Language Nests are "site-based educational programs that- (i) provide instruction and child care through the use of a Native American language for at least 5 children under the age of 7 for an average of at least 500 hours per year per student," and Native American Survival Schools are "site-based educational programs for school-age students that- (i) provide an average of at least 500 hours of instruction through the use of 1 or more Native American languages for at least 10 students for whom a Native American language survival school is their principal place of instruction."

### [Family Connection Grants: Building the Evidence for Kinship Navigator Programs](#)

**Department of Health and Human Services  
Administration for Children and Families - ACYF/CB  
HHS-2021-ACF-ACYF-CF-1903  
Deadline: May 13, 2021**

The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is to solicit proposals for a 36-month project that will build evidence of effectiveness of Kinship Navigator (KN) programs, conduct and evaluate a KN program that effectively assists kinship caregivers in learning about, finding, and using programs and services to meet the needs of the children and youth they are raising and their own needs. Grantees will be selected based on readiness to implement a rigorous local evaluation designed to demonstrate significant findings on the effectiveness of the KN program on one of the select target outcomes of child

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safety, child permanency, child or adult well-being, access to services, referral to services, and/or satisfaction with services. Title IV-E KN programs must meet grant requirements in section 427(a)(1) of the Social Security Act (the Act) and must be operated in accordance with promising, supported, or well-supported practice standards, as determined by title IV-E Prevention Services Clearinghouse. Children's Bureau Program Instruction 18-11 provides guidance on the requirements for participating in the title IV-E KN Program. Additionally, the authorizing legislation specifies the following matching requirements: federal share of the total project cost will decline and non-federal share match levels will increase in the third year of the 3-year grant period, as required by section 427(d) of the Act. Grantees must provide at least 25 percent of the total approved cost of the project for the first 2 years of the project period and 50 percent of the total approved cost of the project in the third year of the project period. No more than 50 percent of the non-federal share may be in kind, as required by section 427(e) of the Act.

### [Family Support through Primary Prevention \(FSP\) Demonstration Sites](#)

**Department of Health and Human Services**

**Administration for Children and Families - ACYF/CB**

**HHS-2021-ACF-ACYF-CT-1914**

**Deadline: May 13, 2021**

This funding opportunity announcement will fund 4-8 Family Support through Primary Prevention (FSP) sites for five-year intensive projects of national significance to demonstrate integrated, cross-sector approaches that engage communities in developing child and family well-being systems. Projects will be informed by public health models and approaches and work to improve overall child and family well-being by strengthening the whole family and reducing the likelihood of child maltreatment and unnecessary contact with the formal child welfare system. FSP sites will develop approaches to work directly with families, communities, and a broad array of stakeholders across the public, private, faith-based, and philanthropic sectors to design and implement highly coordinated and comprehensive family support systems that will mitigate the causes of family vulnerability by enhancing community protective factors and parental protective capacities in racially and culturally appropriate ways. Projects should be informed by ACYF-CB-IM-18-05 and encouraged by ACYF-CB-IM-19-03. FSP sites will be required to conduct individual qualitative and quantitative evaluations and participate in a nationally significant cross site evaluation.

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

**Department of Health and Human Services**

**Administration for Children and Families - ACYF/CB**

**HHS-2021-ACF-ACYF-CA-1913**

**Deadline: May 13, 2021**

Title II of the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act authorizes the Secretary to reserve one percent of the amount appropriated for the fiscal year to make allotments to Indian tribes and tribal organizations and migrant programs for community and faith-based child abuse prevention activities. The primary purpose of this funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is to award grants to support community-based efforts in tribal and migrant communities that prevent child maltreatment and to strengthen and support families. Funded projects will develop new or enhance existing initiatives, programs, and activities to reduce the likelihood of child abuse and neglect and to enhance the well-being of migrant and/or Native American children and their families, including those in rural areas. While not an exhaustive list, some examples of programs that may be funded include voluntary home visiting, respite care, parenting education, family resource centers, and finance the start-up, maintenance, expansion, or redesign of mental health services, substance abuse service programs, and other family support services. It is anticipated that three grants will be funded under this announcement. The funding period will be for 5 years.

### [Improving Child Welfare Through Kinship Supports and Foster Care as a Service to Families](#)

**Department of Health and Human Services**

**Administration for Children and Families - ACYF/CB**

**HHS-2021-ACF-ACYF-CW-1921**

**Deadline: May 13, 2021**

The purpose of this forecasted funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is to award 6 cooperative agreements to recipients to implement demonstration projects designed to achieve the complementary goals of the following 2 focus areas: reducing the need for stranger care by providing an array of supports to kinship care providers; and improving the experiences of children, parents, and foster parents when

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children cannot be placed with relatives. Working closely with current and former kinship care providers, projects will: determine the greatest barriers and most helpful supports to encourage and sustain kinship placement; and design approaches to create conditions that are more hospitable and supportive of kinship care providers. Concurrent with efforts to support kinship caregivers, demonstration sites will also work to develop and implement approaches to foster care that require resource parents to work closely with parents of children placed in foster care. Such approaches will be designed to build relationships of trust between parents and resource parents, and promote co-parenting to ensure parents remain actively involved in normal childrearing activities in partnership with resource parents. The project period will be for 5 years.

### [Quality Improvement Center: Engaging Youth in Finding Permanency](#)

**Department of Health and Human Services  
Administration for Children and Families - ACYF/CB  
HHS-2021-ACF-ACYF-CO-1911**

**Deadline: May 13, 2021**

This forecasted funding opportunity announcement is for a 5-year project to provide for one Quality Improvement Center (QIC) that will pilot efforts in 6-8 jurisdictions across the nation to develop, implement, and evaluate methods of successful engagement of youth in finding their own permanency. Identifying the barriers and developing effective, comprehensive, and consistent strategies across the nation while engaging youth in the process is the focus for this funding opportunity. The QIC will also develop efforts to build the capacity of the child welfare workforce in the engagement of youth to not only find their own permanency, but also to identify the barriers. The development of strategies to achieve permanency for every youth without undo delays and without any youth leaving care without a stable, loving family will also be the focus of the QIC. It is critical that the child welfare systems across the nation are able to attack the barriers that exist to achieving timely, stable, and permanent placement of all children/youth in care.

### [U.S. Repatriation Program](#)

**Department of Health and Human Services  
Administration for Children and Families  
HHS-2021-ACF-OHSEPR-RR-1960**

**Deadline: May 18, 2021**

The U.S. Repatriation Program was established to provide temporary assistance to private U.S. citizens and their dependents identified by the Department of State (DOS) as having returned from a foreign country to the U.S. because of (1) destitution, illness, war, threat of war, or a similar crisis, and are without available resources or (2) mental illness. The Program provides temporary assistance for up to 90 days to eligible repatriates. Temporary assistance is defined by legislation as money payments, medical care, temporary billeting (e.g. public shelter), transportation, and other goods and services necessary for the health or welfare of individuals (including guidance, counseling, and other welfare services). This temporary assistance is provided in the form of a loan and must be repaid to the U.S. Government.

### [Family Violence Prevention and Services Discretionary Grants: National Resource Center on Domestic Violence \(NRCDV\)](#)

**Department of Health and Human Services  
Administration for Children & Families - ACYF/FYSB  
HHS-2021-ACF-ACYF-EV-1930**

**Deadline: May 20, 2021**

The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB), Family Violence Prevention and Services (FVPSA) Program seeks to award one grant authorized under the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act to support a National Resource Center on Domestic Violence (NRCDV). All awards will be cooperative agreements. A cooperative agreement is an award instrument used when substantial involvement is anticipated between the awarding office and the recipient during performance of the contemplated project. FYSB will collaborate substantially with the NRCDV grantee throughout the project period. The NRCDV shall offer a comprehensive array of technical assistance and training resources to Federal, State, and local governmental agencies, domestic violence service providers, community-based organizations, and other professionals and interested parties related to domestic violence service programs and research, including programs and research related to victims and their children who are exposed to violence. The NRCDV shall maintain a central online clearinghouse and resource library in order to collect, prepare, analyze, and disseminate information and statistics related to: the incidence, intervention, and prevention of domestic violence and

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dating violence; and the provision of shelter, supportive services, and prevention services to adult and youth victims of domestic violence, including services to prevent repeated incidents of violence. The NRC DV is part of a network of National, Special Issue, Culturally Specific, and Capacity Building Resource Centers providing leadership, training, technical assistance, resources, and support to programs and systems serving victims of domestic violence and their children.

### [Family Self-Sufficiency Demonstration Development Grants](#)

**Department of Health and Human Services  
Administration for Children and Families - OPRE  
HHS-2021-ACF-OPRE-PE-1944  
Deadline: May 20, 2021**

OPRE forecasts a funding opportunity announcement (FOA) for cooperative agreements for Family Self-Sufficiency Demonstration Development Projects. Through this FOA, OPRE is seeking eligible entities that serve low-income families with children to implement a coordinated, client-centered approach to improving employment and other outcomes for participants in order to build the capacity and reduce dependency of individuals who participate in safety net programs. OPRE seeks applicants who can develop innovative approaches that rely on coordination among multiple programs, agencies, and funding sources in order to find ways to overcome the limitations of our current safety net programs and to improve family outcomes with respect to education, employment, health, food security, financial security, and social capital. Recipients will work with a federally funded, third-party evaluation technical assistance provider to develop a logic model and a plan to participate in an evaluation of their demonstration projects. These 24-month cooperative agreements, with two 12-month budget periods, will fund a planning phase and, if appropriate, pilot studies to assess readiness for evaluating the demonstrations. It is expected that work conducted under this grant could lead to future opportunities for large-scale evaluations of TANF-focused and workforce development demonstration projects.

### [Family Violence Prevention and Services Discretionary Grants: Capacity Building Center on Safe and Supportive Housing for Domestic Violence Survivors in Tribal Communities](#) (Tribal Safe Housing Center)

**Department of Health and Human Services  
Administration for Children & Families - ACYF/FYSB  
HHS-2021-ACF-ACYF-EV-1945  
Deadline: May 20, 2021**

The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB), Family Violence Prevention and Services (FVPSA) Program seeks to award one grant under the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act to one Capacity Building Center for Safe and Supportive Housing for Domestic Violence Survivors in Tribal Communities (Tribal Safe Housing Center) focused on developing and delivering comprehensive training and technical assistance to enhance safe and supportive housing for survivors of domestic violence living in tribal communities. The primary purpose of the Tribal Safe Housing Center is to provide training and technical assistance, in a culturally sensitive and relevant manner, on meeting the housing needs of American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) survivors living in tribal communities. The Tribal Safe Housing Center will conduct research and needs assessments on the safe housing needs for survivors of domestic violence in tribal communities, including homeless youth survivors, and support the development of collaboration between service organizations, technical assistance providers, and tribal, federal, state and local governmental organizations to address these identified needs. The Tribal Safe Housing Center will be part of a network of National, Special Issue, Culturally Specific, and Capacity Building Resource Centers providing leadership, training, technical assistance, resources, and support to programs and systems serving victims of domestic violence and their children.

### [Improve Capacity for Administrative Data Sharing and Analysis: Child and Caregiver Outcomes Using Linked Data, Expanded \(CCOULD X\)](#)

**Department of Health and Human Services  
Administration for Children and Families - OPRE  
HHS-2021-ACF-OPRE-PD-1935  
Deadline: May 20, 2021**

In order to support the development of state-level linked child welfare and Medicaid data, the Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation (OPRE) forecasts awarding \$375,000 each in cooperative agreements for two years for the Improve Capacity for Administrative Data Sharing and Analysis: Child



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and Caregiver Outcomes Using Linked Data, Expanded (CCOULDX) project. Recipients would receive support to link child welfare and Medicaid data for children and their parents with child welfare system involvement, and enrolled in Medicaid. This would allow Medicaid and title IV-E agencies to exchange medical, eligibility, administrative, and other programmatic data for common clients and beneficiaries served by both agencies. These activities would build on the Child and Caregiver Outcomes Using Linked Data (CCOULD) project, which was funded by the Patient Centered Outcomes Research Trust Fund (PCORTF) and led by OPRE and Assistant Secretary of Planning and Evaluation (ASPE). Details on that project can be found at <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/opre/research/project/state-medicare-and-child-welfare-data-linkages-for-outcomes-research>. Recipients would contribute data to the research data file begun under CCOULD, which is available for research purposes. OPRE would provide technical assistance to support any phase of the project. Some of the major activities of these projects would include data sharing, data linkage methodology development and review, data quality review, disclosure review and de-identification, analysis of outcomes of interest, archival of data for secondary data use, and documentation of lessons learned.

### [Personal Responsibility Education Program \(PREP\) Competitive Grants](#)

**Department of Health and Human Services**

**Administration for Children & Families - ACYF/FYSB**

**HHS-2021-ACF-ACYF-AK-1929**

**Deadline: May 20, 2021**

The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Administration on Children, Youth and Families' (ACYF) Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB) will be accepting applications from local organizations and entities, including faith-based organizations or consortia, for the development and implementation of the Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP) in states that do not accept FY2021 allocations for State PREP. The purpose of this program is to support projects that educate youth, between the ages of 10 and 19 years, and pregnant and parenting youth under age 21, on abstinence and contraception for the prevention of pregnancy, sexually transmitted infections, and HIV/AIDS. Projects are also required to implement at least three of six adulthood preparation subjects.

### [Personal Responsibility Education Program Innovative Strategies \(PREIS\)](#)

**Department of Health and Human Services**

**Administration for Children & Families - ACYF/FYSB**

**HHS-2021-ACF-ACYF-AP-1928**

**Deadline: May 20, 2021**

The Administration for Children and Families, Administration on Children, Youth and Families', Family and Youth Services Bureau announces the availability of funds to be awarded as cooperative agreements under the Personal Responsibility Education Program Innovative Strategies (PREIS) program. In cooperative agreement awards, the Federal Government is seen as a partner of the grantee and has substantial involvement in the project. ACYF/FYSB will provide substantial involvement beyond the usual communication, such as conference calls and site visits. The purpose of the PREIS program is to fund projects to implement and conduct a rigorous evaluation of innovative adolescent pregnancy prevention strategies. The services are targeted to high-risk, vulnerable, and culturally under-represented youth populations, which includes but is not limited to youth in foster care, homeless youth, youth with HIV/AIDS, victims of human trafficking, pregnant women who are under 21 years of age and their partners, mothers who are under 21 years of age and their partners, and youth residing in areas with high birth rates for adolescents. PREP programs are required to a) educate adolescents on both abstinence and contraception for the prevention of pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections, including HIV/AIDS, and b) implement at least three out of six adulthood preparation subjects: healthy relationships, adolescent development, financial literacy, parent-child communication, educational and career success, and healthy life skills. Successful applicants are expected to implement rigorous impact evaluations conducted by third-party, independent evaluators. Acceptable evaluation designs include randomized controlled trials and quasi-experimental studies, which require assignment to either a treatment group or a control/comparison group.

### [Transitional Living Program](#)

**Department of Health and Human Services**

**Administration for Children & Families - ACYF/FYSB**

**HHS-2021-ACF-ACYF-CX-1905**

**Deadline: May 20, 2021**



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The Administration for Children and Families, Administration on Children, Youth and Families' Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB) announces the availability of funds under the Transitional Living Program (TLP). The Purpose of FYSB's TLP grant program is to implement, enhance, and/or support effective strategies for successful transition to sustainable living for runaway and homeless youth ages 16 to under 22 and/or pregnant and parenting youth ages 16 to under 22 and their dependent child(ren). Projects must provide safe, stable, and appropriate shelter for up to 18 months and, under extenuating circumstances, can be extended to 21 months and provide comprehensive services that support the transition of homeless youth to self-sufficiency and stable, independent living. Through the provision of shelter and an array of comprehensive services, TLP youth will realize improvements in four core outcome areas (i.e., safe and stable housing, education/employment, permanent connections, and social and emotional well-being).

### [Maternity Group Home Program](#)

**Department of Health and Human Services**

**Administration for Children & Families - ACYF/FYSB**

**HHS-2021-ACF-ACYF-YZ-1904**

**Deadline: May 21, 2021**

The Administration for Children and Families, Administration on Children, Youth and Families' Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB) announces the availability of funds under the Transitional Living Program's Maternity Group Home (MGH) grant program (hereafter referred to as the MGH program). The purpose of FYSB's MGH program is to provide safe, stable, and appropriate shelter only for pregnant and/or parenting youth ages 16 to under 22 and their dependent child(ren) for 18 months and, under extenuating circumstances, up to 21 months. Service providers must accommodate for the needs and safety of the dependent children to include facility safety standards for infants and children on the premises. MGH services include, but are not limited to, parenting skills, child development, family budgeting, and health and nutrition education, in addition to the required services provided under the Transitional Living Program to help MGH youth realize improvements in four core outcome areas. The MGH combination of shelter and services is designed to promote long-term, economic independence to ensure the well-being of the youth and their child(ren).

### [Trafficking Victim Assistance Program \(TVAP\)](#)

**Department of Health and Human Services**

**Administration for Children and Families-IOAS-OTIP**

**HHS-2021-ACF-IOAS-OTIP-ZV-1948**

**Deadline: May 21, 2021**

The Office on Trafficking in Persons (OTIP) within the Administration for Children and Families is announcing funds for the Trafficking Victim Assistance Program (TVAP). Previously in Fiscal Year (FY) 18, TVAP was managed through three separate cooperative agreements, but the FY 21 version of TVAP will be managed through one single cooperative agreement. The goal of TVAP is to build nation-wide capacity to support foreign national victims of human trafficking seeking United States (U.S.) Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) certification in areas that lack an established referral and response system. A person that is not a U.S. person. Foreign nationals include individuals who are not U.S. citizens, lawful permanent residents, parolees, refugees, or asylees. Under TVAP, the following activities are required: 1) provision of comprehensive case management on a per capita basis to adult and minor foreign national victims of both labor and sex trafficking identified in areas without an established anti-trafficking response system; 2) establishment of a permanent comprehensive TVAP subrecipient network, which will entail the development of a resource database of available TVAP subrecipients in localities without an established anti-trafficking response system; and 3) training and technical assistance to service providers enrolled in, or seeking enrollment into, the TVAP subrecipient network.

### [Victims of Human Trafficking - Services and Outreach \(VHT-SO\) Program - ACF Region 9](#)

**Department of Health and Human Services**

**Administration for Children and Families-IOAS-OTIP**

**HHS-2021-ACF-IOAS-OTIP-ZV-1956**

**Deadline: May 21, 2021**

The Office on Trafficking in Persons (OTIP) within the Administration for Children and Families (ACF) is announcing funds for the newly developed Victims of Human Trafficking – Services and Outreach (VHT-SO) Program - ACF Region 9. Under the VHT-SO Program, the following activities are required: 1) deliver comprehensive case management, and direct financial assistance, to support foreign national victims of both labor and sex trafficking with out-of-pocket expenses while they seek U.S. Department of Health and

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Human Services certification; 2) conduct outreach to increase identification of foreign national victims of both labor and sex trafficking; and 3) deliver training to service providers and community partners on effective intervention on behalf of victims, and strategies to identify, respond, and serve victims of human trafficking in a person-centered, trauma-informed, culturally- and linguistically-responsive manner to support victims' efforts to achieve independence and self-sufficiency.

### [Veterans Cemetery Grants](#)

**Department of Veterans Affairs**

**VA National Cemetery Administration**

**VA-GRANTS-NCA-FY2021-1**

**Deadline: July 1, 2021**

Cemetery Grants are only available to states, territories and federally recognized tribal governments. This program operates in accordance to 38 CFR Part 39.

### [Notice of Intent to Publish a HEAL Funding Opportunity Announcement for Research on Related DSM-5 Diagnoses \(R2D2\) Coordination and Dissemination Center](#)

**Department of Health and Human Services**

**National Institutes of Health**

**NOT-DA-20-077**

**Deadline: August 1, 2021**

The National Institute on Health (NIH) intends to publish two Funding Opportunity Announcements (FOA) to solicit applications to build a network of researchers to develop sustainable evidence-based interventions to effectively treat chronic pain (CP) and opioid use disorder (OUD). This network will be part of the of the NIH's Helping to End Addiction Long-term (HEAL) Initiative to speed the development and implementation of scientific solutions to the national opioid public health crisis. The NIH HEAL Initiative will bolster research across NIH to (1) improve treatment and prevention of opioid misuse and opioid use disorder and (2) enhance pain management.

### [NICHD Research Education Programs](#)

**Department of Health and Human Services**

**National Institutes of Health**

**PAR-20-250**

**Deadline: May 25, 2022**

This FOA will support creative educational activities that focus primarily on research skills development. Although activities focused primarily on mentoring activities or professional skills development are not within the scope of this funding announcement, the informal mentoring activities and professional skills development that are usually associated with courses for research skills development are permitted.

### [Device-Based Treatments for Substance Use Disorders \(UG3/UH3, Clinical Trial Optional\)](#)

**Department of Health and Human Services**

**National Institutes of Health**

**PAR-20-279**

**Deadline: August 10, 2023**

The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to accelerate the development of devices to treat Substance Use Disorders (SUDs). The continuing advances in technologies offer unprecedented opportunities to develop neuromodulatory or neurophysiological devices that are safe and effective SUD treatments. The objective is to move devices to their next step in the FDA approval process, with the ultimate goal of generating new, FDA approved device-based treatments for SUDs.

### [FY 2019 EDA Disaster Supplemental](#)

**Department of Commerce**

**Economic Development Administration**

**EDA-2019-DISASTER**

**Deadline: None**

EDA announces general policies and application procedures for the Disaster Supplemental NOFO. Subject to the availability of funds, this investment assistance will help communities and regions devise and implement long-term economic recovery strategies through a variety of non-construction and construction projects, as appropriate, to address economic challenges in areas where a Presidential declaration of a major disaster was issued under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. § 5121 et seq.) (Stafford Act) "as a result of Hurricanes Florence, Michael, and

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Lane, Typhoons Yutu and Mangkhut, and of wildfires, volcanic eruptions, earthquakes and other natural disasters occurring in calendar year 2018, and tornadoes and floods occurring in calendar year 2019...". To be competitive, applications must clearly incorporate principles for enhancing the resilience (as defined under Section A.4, below) of the relevant community/region or demonstrate the integration of resilience principles into the investment project itself. Resilience is an essential component of any strategy for mitigating the potential for future disaster-related losses and adverse economic impacts for communities. Therefore, inclusion of resilience principles in the project is a necessary step to improve the capacity of the region to recover more quickly from future disaster events. Applicants must include a narrative attachment as a part of their application materials, describing in detail the nexus between their proposed project scope of work and disaster recovery and resilience efforts. The strength of the nexus to the disaster is drawn from the consequences of the relevant disaster(s) and the intended project outcomes that fulfill the community's specific post-disaster needs.

### [Guidance for Invited Applications for Antiterrorism and Emergency Assistance Program for Crime Victim Compensation and/or Assistance](#)

**U.S. Department of Justice  
Office of Justice Programs  
Office for Victims of Crime**

**Deadline: Open**

The Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) supports victims of mass violence and terrorism through the Antiterrorism and Emergency Assistance Program (AEAP). This program is designed to supplement the resources and services of entities responding to these acts when a jurisdiction has been overwhelmed after such an incident. Funding for this program comes from the Antiterrorism Emergency Reserve (the Emergency Reserve).

This is a restricted invitation because the program is intended to respond to specific cases of terrorism and mass violence. Only after OVC has consulted with an eligible organization can an application be submitted. Further program guidance is set out in the AEAP Guidelines (available from OVC, or at in the Federal Register at 67 Fed. Reg. 4822 (Jan. 31, 2002) and 79 Fed. Reg. 59298 (Oct. 1, 2014)). (See <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR2002-01-31/pdf/02-2299.pdf> for details.)

### [Incorporating cost effectiveness & societal outcomes into FDA opioids model \(U01\)](#)

**Department of Health and Human Services  
Food and Drug Administration  
FOR-FD-20-008**

**Deadline: Not Listed**

The purpose of this funding opportunity is to incorporate social outcomes (quality of life, untreated pain, etc.) and cost effectiveness into FDA's existing model and policy analysis tool. Work resulting from this funding opportunity should provide more holistic insight into the opioid crisis and enhance decision makers' ability to propose and consider policy options. Such work will require the integration of new structural components, new data, and new analyses into the model. Given the paucity of data surrounding opioids interventions, this effort will also require studies to collect information about the costs, social outcomes, and other details associated with potential policies.