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### IN THE NEWS

[‘Our stolen relatives’: This investigator digs into cold cases for California’s largest tribe](#)

San Francisco Chronicle – January 2, 2024

Julia Oliveira has one of the most sprawling territories of any law enforcement officer in California. An Indigenous person originally from Oklahoma, she investigates cold cases — unsolved killings and disappearances — for the Yurok Tribe of Northern California, whose reservation stretches through the soaring sequoias of rural Humboldt and Del Norte counties. Indigenous people, particularly women, experience violent crime at higher rates than the rest of the U.S. population, and California has the most Indigenous people of any state. California tribal leaders, courts and government officials have described the rape and killing of Native people as an epidemic. A [2020 study](#) found 105 instances of missing and slain Indigenous people in Northern California alone.

[Amid Ongoing Sovereignty Debate, Legislature Considers Office on Tribal-State Relations](#)

Native News Online – January 10, 2024

House Speaker Rep. Rachel Talbot Ross (D-Portland) presented the Judiciary Committee on Wednesday with a proposal for the new office, which would be primarily tasked with monitoring legislation that pertains to the tribes.

[Senators Introduce Bipartisan Legislation to Advance Tribal Parity in Federal Law](#)

Native News Online – January 11, 2024

U.S. Senators Alex Padilla (D-Calif.) and James Lankford (R-Okla.) yesterday introduced bipartisan legislation to strengthen Tribal parity for the transfer of surplus federal property. The *GSA Disposal Process Tribal Parity Act of 2024* would allow Tribal governments to participate in an existing process that allows the General Services Administration (GSA) to transfer surplus federal property to state and local governments below market value if those properties will be used for specified public purposes.

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**[NM Supreme Court rules tribal courts have jurisdiction over casino injury and damage cases](#)**

Albuquerque Journal – January 16, 2024

The New Mexico Supreme Court says personal injury lawsuits brought against tribal casinos can no longer be heard by state courts.

**[California tribal police gain access to statewide criminal database to protect reservation citizens](#)**

Sacramento Bee – January 22, 2024

Federally recognized tribes now have access to the California Law Enforcement Telecommunications System, known as CLETS, a computer network that holds criminal histories, driver records and other databases from across the state.

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Tribal/State Programs Link:

<http://www.courts.ca.gov/programs-tribal>

**[Generational Foster Care in Native American Communities](#)**

(Commentary)

Imprint - January 23, 2024

Foster care is generational in many Native American communities. It started with the residential Indian boarding schools. Since then, we have been overrepresented in the foster care system nationwide, according to the National Center for Juvenile Justice. A lot of people don't know this, but this is another form of genocide. It's known as "cultural genocide," and I've experienced it in foster care. Due to my experiences in foster care, I forgot how to dance in powwows, as well as other traditions, teachings and stories.

**[California Legislators Hear about Rejected Requests and Needed Changes for Year-Old Feather Alert MMIP System](#)**

Native News Online – January 26, 2024

When Yurok citizen Taralyn Ipina's sister went missing in the San Francisco area last year, her hope rested on the state's newly implemented Feather Alert system. Launched Jan. 1, 2023, the statewide alert system for missing Indigenous people held the promise of aiding in search and recovery efforts. After six days with no word nor sighting of her sister, Ipina's request for the Feather Alert was rejected. Local law enforcement officials, who review the alert requests before sending them to the California Highway Patrol, ruled that Ipina's request didn't meet the system's criteria.

**[Feather Alert for MMIP in California praised after first year](#)**

National News – January 26, 2024

One-year-old alert system raises awareness about missing Indigenous people in California.

**[Native teens are facing a mental health crisis-here's what's behind the numbers](#)** (Includes video)

KTVZ - January 29, 2024

Between the historical trauma of the genocide and mass relocations experienced by their ancestors and the current trauma of ongoing discrimination, American Indian and Alaska Native people have suffered systemic harm. Currently, Indigenous teenagers are facing a mental health crisis that is worsening despite federal efforts.

**FORUM LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS**

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<http://www.courts.ca.gov/3065.htm>

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.

[New DNA technique could bring closure for families of missing and murdered Indigenous people](#) (May require subscription)

High Country News - January 31, 2024

Shirley Soosay became one of the first Indigenous Jane Does in North America to be identified through Investigative Genetic Genealogy (IGG), a tool used by Canadian and U.S. law enforcement agencies. Her family was one of the few of the thousands of Indigenous families in the U.S. and Canada with missing loved ones who finally achieved any closure. Investigators believe this new DNA process has huge potential to solve cases involving missing Indigenous people. IGG comes with risks, though. The more people share their genetic profiles with online databases like GEDmatch, the more effective the technique becomes. But experts warn that the private companies that own these databases, or the investigators who use them, could use the information to violate people's constitutional rights. Ultimately, it could become a new kind of colonial extractive industry, amounting to a loss of genetic sovereignty for Indigenous communities. Law enforcement agencies and groups that use IGG do not always disclose how the DNA data will be used, while recent database breaches by hackers and genealogists reveal how the lack of regulatory oversight leads to violations. And, for some Indigenous communities, there may also be a level of risk to traditions and customs. All this creates a new risk to Indigenous self-determination.

## PUBLICATIONS

### [Policy Issues Overview: Kinship Services in Tribal Child Welfare Materials Developed by the National Indian Child Welfare Association \(2023\)](#)

While kinship care is a relatively new and evolving area of practice in contemporary child welfare, family caring for family has historically been the foundation of child safety in Indigenous communities. When children cannot be safely raised by their parents either temporarily or permanently, kinship care has been the custom in tribal communities since time immemorial. Today, relative caregivers remain the most important resource for child safety in Indian Country, both as support to the child's parents and as a placement resource for the child when safety becomes a concern. Despite relative caregivers being central to child safety and well-being, little attention has been paid to child welfare policies that honor and support the integrity of extended family systems. The Kinship Services in Child Welfare Policy Toolkit Policy Issues Overview and Guidance for Policy Language examines issues for consideration in policies and procedures with trauma-informed policy guidance to support the development of tribally specific child welfare policy.

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### [Tribal Sovereignty and Preemption](#), Michael Dolan, Brooklyn Law Review, V. 89, Issue 1 (December, 2023)

In June of 2022, the US Supreme Court held in *Oklahoma v. Castro-Huerta* that a state may prosecute a non-Indian for a crime committed against an Indian within Indian country. That decision effectively overruled *Worcester v. Georgia*, an 1832 landmark case in which Chief Justice Marshall said that state law "can have no force" in Indian country. Although the conventional wisdom about *Castro-Huerta* sees the case as a radical departure from first principles of federal Indian law, this article argues that *Castro-Huerta* is the natural—although deeply deplorable—next step in a long line of Supreme Court cases expanding state governmental authority within Indian country. Additionally, this line of cases mirrors a separate line restricting tribal governmental authority within Indian country.

### [Advancing Health Equity in Rural, Tribal, and Geographically Isolated Communities FY2023 Year in Review](#). United States. Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. 2023.

[The Sovereignty Problem in Federal Indian Law](#), Matthew Fletcher, University of Michigan Law School, January 2024

**Abstract:** There is a sovereignty problem in federal Indian law, namely, that the federal government's sovereign defenses prevent tribal nations and individual Indian people from realizing justice in the courts. Often, compelling tribal and Indian claims go nowhere as the judiciary defers to the interests of the United States, even where Congress has expressly stated its support for tribal interests. Conversely, tribal judiciaries allow claims to proceed to the merits, invoking customary and traditional law to hold tribal governments accountable.

**UCLA School of Law, [Indigenous Peoples' Journal of Law, Culture & Resistance Volume 8, Issue 1](#)**  
(January 2024)

Featured articles include:

[Revitalizing Stewardship and Use of Tribal Traditional Territories: Options for Improving California Policy and Law in State-Managed Lands and Waters](#), Curtis Berkey, Erica Costa and Aviva Simon.

**[ABA Human Rights Magazine Vol. 49, No. 3: Native American and Alaska Native Rights and Issues](#)**  
(January 2024)

Articles include:

[The Future of Native American Civil Rights](#), by John Echohawk

[The Supreme Court and Tribal Water Rights](#), by Leonard R. Powell

[Empowering Tribal Nations: The Transformative Impact of VAWA 2013 and 2022 on Tribal Jurisdiction](#), by Chia Halpern Beetso, Virginia Davis, and Kelly-Stoner

[Creating Pathways to the Judiciary for Native Americans and Alaska Natives through Tribal Courts](#), by Hon. Carrie Garrow and A. Nikki Borchardt Campbell

[Haaland v. Brackeen Affirms the Constitutionality of ICWA](#), by Grace Carson

**[ICWA Implementation Partnership Grant Project Overview & 2023 Summit Report \(December 2023\)](#)**

This project report highlights three teams' work over the last seven years to improve the implementation of ICWA in their jurisdictions, states, and nationwide through development, application, and dissemination of their efforts.

**[Recruiting and Supporting Families Resource List](#)**

Resource families include relatives, near-kin caregivers, or recruited families that provide safe and stable connections for children. This resource list provides tools and strategies to recruit, retain, and support resource families in tribal communities.

**[American Indian Law Journal Vol.12, Issue 1](#)** (December 2023)

Articles include:

[Case Law on American Indians: October 2022 - August 2023](#) Thomas P. Schlosser

[Seeking Higher Ground: Developing a Tribal Model Code for Disaster and Emergency Management in a Complex Jurisdictional Environment](#) Brian Candelaria

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

New List of [Indian Tribal Entities Within the Contiguous 48 States Recognized by and Eligible to Receive Services from the United States Bureau of Indian Affairs](#) published in the Federal Register on January 8, 2024.

**[National Human Trafficking Awareness Day, January 11, 2024](#)**

**National Center for Youth Law (NYCL)**

A day that serves as a critical reminder of the urgent need to combat commercial sexual exploitation (CSE) and sex trafficking and empower vulnerable populations, particularly children and youth. In California alone, between 2015 and 2022, more than 70,000 calls were made to the child protection hotline with concerns that a young person was being commercially sexually exploited or trafficked. Nearly 11,000 of those allegations were substantiated, meaning the child welfare agency investigated and determined that more likely than not the exploitation occurred.

Please take a moment and get engaged. Below are a few ways to support children and youth who have been impacted by CSE:

1. **Learn about the issue of commercial sexual exploitation:** Hear from NCYL's team of experts alongside two members of the Commercially Sexually Exploited Children (CSEC) [Action Team's Advisory Board](#) at a recently recorded [Child Welfare roundtable](#).
2. **Celebrate the artistic expressions of survivors and lived experience experts:** Join a [live, virtual art gallery](#) on January 31st at 11 AM PST to hear from California artists, leaders and lived experience experts and experience their creative expressions.
3. **Improve your ability to work with young people and families impacted by CSE:** Join the upcoming virtual [CSEC Action Team](#) meeting on [March 6th](#) at 1:30 PM PST to learn from survivor leaders about how to ethically employ, support, and partner with people with lived expertise.

### [Stalking Awareness Month](#)

#### **Office of Justice Programs**

Legal definitions vary from one jurisdiction to another. Still, stalking is generally defined as a pattern of behavior directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to feel fear. A crime in all 50 states and at the federal level, stalking is dangerous and potentially lethal. In 2019, about 1.3% of Americans ages 16 and older (3.4 million people) were victims of stalking, according to a report from the Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS).

The following are some topical resources:

- [Longitudinal Follow-up in the National Survey for Teen Relationships and Violence \(STRiV2\)](#)
- [Office on Violence Against Women \(OVW\) | Stalking \(justice.gov\)](#)

## ONLINE RESOURCES

### [Tribal Title IV-B Supports](#)

This toolkit provides resources to help tribes develop their Child and Family Service Plans (CFSPs) and Annual Progress and Services Reports (APSRs), including federal guidance and information about documents that must be submitted to apply for and maintain Title IV-B funding.

### [We R Native](#)

We R Native is a comprehensive health resource created for Native youth, by Native youth that provides culturally specific content and stories about the topics that matter most to them. Resources include a Q&A service through which youth can ask 'mind, body or spirit' questions, free 24/7 crisis counseling support, and more. We R Native's sister site, [Healthy Native Youth](#), provides training and tools for tribal health educators, teachers, parents, and caring adults to access and deliver effective, age-appropriate programs.

### [New Video Series for Human Trafficking Prevention Month](#)

In recognition of National Human Trafficking Prevention Month, the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) is highlighting [Sergio's Story](#) from our [Child Victims and Witnesses Support Materials](#). Sergio's Story describes the experience of a young boy who was a victim of labor trafficking and is part of a federal case. We are featuring videos every week throughout the month of January that have been developed from the [graphic novel](#) and the [accompanying audiobook](#). The first video is out today, so follow this series on the [OVC website](#) and the following OVC channels: [X Platform](#), [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#). For more information and resources about anti-trafficking efforts, please visit the OVC [website](#).

### [Capacity Building Center for Tribes Podcasts](#)

The **Capacity Building Center for Tribes Podcast** connects with child welfare experts across Indian Country to address the importance of building tribal child welfare programs that are reflective of their community values and culture – reclaiming the narrative from a dominant system to one that reflects Indigenous worldviews and emphasizes responsibilities to children.

## UPCOMING CONFERENCES, WEBINARS AND TRAININGS

February 4-6, 2024 (Orange County, CA)

[National Association for Court Management 2024 Mid-Year Conference](#)

February 8, 2024, 9:00 am – 10:30 am (Virtual)

[Crossing State or Tribal Lines with Children in Domestic Violence Cases](#)

February 25 - 28, 2024 (Seattle, WA & Virtual Option)  
[American Probation and Parole Association 2024 Winter Training Institute](#)

February 29-March 2, 2024 (Manistee, MI)  
[54th Annual Native American Critical Issues Conference](#)

March 17-20, 2024 (Cleveland, OH)  
[2024 National Conference on Juvenile Justice](#)

April 4-5, 2024 (Albuquerque, NM)  
[Indian Law Conference – Federal Bar Association](#)

April 5-7, 2024 (New York, NY)  
[American Judges Association 2024 Midyear Conference](#)

April 7-10, 2024 (Seattle, WA)  
[43rd Annual National Indian Child Welfare Association Protecting Our Children Conference](#)

May 22-25, 2024 (Anaheim, CA)  
[National Association of Drug Court Professionals RISE 24 Conference](#)

June 16-20, 2024 (Cherokee, NC)  
[23rd Annual National Tribal Child Support Association Conference](#)

July 21-24, 2024 (Phoenix, AZ)  
[The NCJFCJ's 87th Annual Conference](#)

July 21-25, 2024 (New Orleans, LA)  
[National Association for Court Management 2024 Annual Conference](#)

August 18-21, 2024 (Denver, CO)  
[National Association for Presiding Judges and Court Executive Officers 2024 NAPCO Conference](#)

October 22-24, 2024 – (Las Vegas, Nevada)  
[55<sup>th</sup> Annual National Tribal Judicial and Court Personnel Conference](#)

### COVID-19 SPECIFIC GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

#### [STTARS Indigenous Safe Housing Center \(STTARS\)](#) **ARP Housing 90EV0537 25**

*Increase the availability of COVID-19 testing, vaccines, and other COVID-19 mitigation strategies for survivors.* NIWRC will allocate pass through funds to tribal organizations addressing housing and domestic violence that we have previously connected with through our National Workgroup on Safe Housing for American Indian and Alaska Native Survivors of Gender-Based Violence. These funds will be utilized for COVID-19 mitigation activities (such as testing, PPE, staff related needs, health and wellness supplies for advocates and survivors, and additional resources to specifically address COVID-19 impacts and ongoing advocate pandemic fatigue). Applications will be reviewed in a timely fashion and on an on-going/rolling basis.

#### [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.

**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](#).

### [GOLDEN STATE GRANT PROGRAM](#)

Attention CalWORKs families with an approved case status as of March 27 will receive a one-time Golden State Grant payment of \$600. The payment is to help families who may have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. This payment is not a CalWORKs grant payment and not subject to hearing rights.

### [FEMA COVID-19 FUNERAL ASSISTANCE](#)

If you've have lost someone to COVID-19, FEMA may be able to help with funeral expenses starting in April 2021.

## NEW GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

### [National Juvenile Court Data Archive](#)

U.S. Department of Justice  
Office of Justice Programs  
National Institute of Justice  
O-NIJ-2024-171947

**Step 1: Application Grants.gov Deadline: March 5, 2024**

**Step 2: Application JustGrants Deadline: March 19, 2024**

NIJ, in collaboration with the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP), seeks applications to support the National Juvenile Court Data Archive, which collects, maintains, and makes accessible the nation's primary source of detailed information on juvenile court case processing of delinquency and status offense cases.

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

Department of Justice  
Office on Violence Against Women  
O-OVW-2024-171918

**Deadline to submit SF-424 and SF-LLL in Grants.gov: March 7, 2024**

**Deadline to submit full application in JustGrants: March 12, 2024**

The primary purpose of the OVW Training and Technical Assistance Initiative (TA Initiative) (CFDA 16.526) is to provide direct training and technical assistance to current and potential OVW recipients and subrecipients to enhance their efforts to successfully implement projects supported by OVW grant funds. OVW's TA Initiative is designed to strengthen and build the capacity of civil and criminal justice system professionals and victim service providers across the nation to respond effectively to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking and foster partnerships among organizations that have not traditionally worked together to address these crimes.

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

Department of Housing and Urban Development  
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FR-6700-N-48

**Deadline: March 19, 2024**

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.

### [Longitudinal Research on Delinquency and Crime](#)

U.S. Department of Justice  
Office of Justice Programs  
National Institute of Justice  
O-NIJ-2024-171957

**Step 1: Application Grants.gov Deadline: April 16, 2024**

**Step 2: Application JustGrants Deadline: April 29, 2024**

NIJ, in collaboration with the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP), seeks proposals for funding to conduct an expansion or extension of one, or more ongoing/existing longitudinal research studies that focus on delinquency and crime,

throughout the life-course. Longitudinal studies support interdisciplinary research on the emergence, persistence, and desistance of delinquency and criminal offending. This research will inform the design of more effective strategies for prevention and intervention in delinquent, and criminal behavioral trajectories.

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

**Department of Health and Human Services**

**Administration for Children and Families**

**HHS-2024-ACF-ECD-TH-0135**

**Deadline: April 18, 2024**

Funds will support 5-year cooperative agreements between ACF and federally recognized Indian tribes (or a consortium of Indian tribes), tribal organizations, or urban Indian organizations interested in developing, implementing, sustaining, or expanding an evidence-based home visiting program serving expectant families and families with young children aged birth to kindergarten.

**[Standing Announcement for Tribal Title IV-E Plan Development Grants](#)**

**Department of Health and Human Services**

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

**HHS-2022-ACF-ACYF-CS-0079**

**Deadline: April 19, 2024**

Grant funds under this NOFO may be used for the cost of developing a title IV-E plan under section 471 of the Social Security Act (the Act) to carry out a program under section 479B of the Act. The grant may be used for costs relating to the development of case planning and case review systems, foster care licensing and standards for tribal foster homes and childcare facilities, quality assurance systems, court structure and procedures, data collection systems, cost allocation methodology development, financial controls and financial management processes, or any other costs attributable to meeting any other requirement necessary for approval of a title IV-E plan.

**[Staff Sergeant Fox Suicide Prevention Grant Program](#)**

**Department of Veterans Affairs**

**Office of Mental Health and Suicide Prevention**

**VA-FOX-SP-FY2024**

**Deadline: April 26, 2024**

This grant program assists in further implementing a public health approach that blends community-based prevention with evidence-based clinical strategies through community efforts.

**PREVIOUSLY REPORTED GRANT OPPORTUNITIES**

**[2024 Legal Assistance for Victims](#)**

**Department of Justice**

**Office on Violence Against Women**

**O-OVW-2024-171904**

**Deadline to submit SF-424 and SF-LLL in Grants.gov: February 13, 2024**

**Deadline to submit full application in JustGrants: February 15, 2024**

The Legal Assistance for Victims (LAV) Grant Program (CFDA 16.524) is intended to increase the availability of civil and criminal legal assistance needed to effectively aid victims (ages 11 and older) of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking by providing funds for comprehensive direct legal services to victims in legal matters relating to or arising out of that abuse or violence.

**[2024 Legal Assistance for Victims Grant Program Expanding Legal Services Initiative](#)**

**Department of Justice**

**Office on Violence Against Women**

**O-OVW-2024-171905**

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**[The Youth Homelessness System Improvement \(YHSI\) Grants](#)**

**Department of Housing and Urban Development**

**FR-6700-N-96**

**Deadline: February 15, 2024**

The grants will focus on systems change to create and build capacity for Youth Action Boards; collect and use data that work with at-risk youth; develop strong leaders within a community; and improve the coordination, communication, operation, and administration of homeless assistance projects to better serve youth, including prevention and diversion strategies.

**[Systems-Level Risk Detection and Interventions to Reduce Suicide, Ideation, and Behaviors in Youth from Underserved Populations](#)**

**Department of Health and Human Services**

**National Institutes of Health**

**RFA-MH-25-125**

**Deadline: February 20, 2024**

The purpose of this R34 NOFO is to provide resources for evaluating the feasibility, acceptability, and safety of novel approaches that are uniquely tailored to the risk profiles of these populations, that will improve outcomes and modify health risk behavior.

**[VA Legal Services for Homeless Veterans and Veterans At-Risk for Homelessness Grant](#)**

**Department of Veterans Affairs**

**Legal Services for Veterans**

**VA-LSV-H-2024**

**Deadline: February 23, 2024**

The goal of the Grant Program is to assist homeless and at-risk Veterans who have unmet needs for legal services, which may create barriers to housing stability.

**[Missing and Murdered Indigenous People \(MMIP\) Grant Program, Cohort 2](#)**

**Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC)**

**Deadline: March 15, 2024**

This grant program was developed with input from members of California’s tribal community and supports a broad range of activities. Tribes are encouraged to develop programs that address their community’s needs.

**[Fiscal Year \(FY\) 2024 AmeriCorps State and National Native Nation Grants](#)**

**AmeriCorps**

**AC-08-19-23**

**Deadline: April 5, 2024**

AmeriCorps improves lives, strengthens communities, and fosters civic engagement through service and volunteering. AmeriCorps brings people together to tackle some of the country’s most pressing challenges through national service and volunteerism. AmeriCorps members and AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers serve with organizations dedicated to the improvement of communities and those serving. AmeriCorps helps make service a cornerstone of our national culture.

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

**Department of Health and Human Services**

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

**HHS-2024-ACF-ACYF-YZ-0042**

**Deadline: May 20, 2024**

The Maternity Group Home (MGH) program provides safe, stable, and appropriate shelter for pregnant and/or parenting youth and young adults ages 16 to under 22 who have runaway or are experiencing homelessness, 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 and young adults 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).

**[Initiation of a Mental Health Family Navigator Model to Promote Early Access, Engagement and Coordination of Needed Mental Health Services for Children and Adolescents](#)****Department of Health and Human Services****National Institutes of Health****PAR-23-094****Applications accepted now****Deadline: July 5, 2024**

Applicants are required to develop and test the navigator model's ability to promote early access, engagement, coordination and optimization of mental health treatment and services for children and adolescents as soon as symptoms are detected. Applicants are also required to identify and test components of navigator models that drive improvements in mental health care; detect and interrogate tailoring variables that optimize the 'personalized match' between the unique mental health needs of youth to the appropriate level of intensity and frequency of mental health services; and utilize emerging novel technologies to track and monitor the trajectory of clinical, functional and behavioral progress toward achieving intended services outcomes.

**[Engaging Survivors of Sexual Violence and Trafficking in HIV and Substance Use Disorder Services](#)****Department of Health and Human Services****National Institutes of Health****RFA-DA-25-018****Deadline: August 5, 2024**

The goal of this concept is to support exploratory research and preliminary interventions to address the interrelated and compounding contextual factors that contribute to substance use and HIV risk among sexual trafficking survivors. This would be accomplished through research that builds new interventions and models of care that can effectively engage ST survivors in care for SUD, HIV, trauma, and other mental health outcomes and addresses key structural and social determinants of health that contribute to risk for ST as well as barriers to and facilitators of escaping continued exploitation.

**[NIDA Research Center of Excellence Grant Program](#)****Department of Health and Human Services****National Institutes of Health****PAR-23-076****Open Date (Earliest Submission Date): August 25, 2023****Deadline: November 18, 2025**

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to provide support for research Centers that (1) conduct substance use and addiction research in any area of NIDA's mission, including the intersection of substance use/addiction and HIV, (2) foster outstanding innovative science, (3) are multidisciplinary, thematically integrated, and synergistic, and (4) serve as national resource(s) to provide educational and outreach activities to relevant research communities, educational organizations, the general public, and policy makers.

**[HEAL Initiative: Research to Increase Implementation of Substance Use Preventive Services](#)****Department of Health and Human Services****National Institutes of Health****RFA-DA-24-066****Earliest Submission Date: December 17, 2023****Expiration Date: January 17, 2026**

The goal of this initiative is to support research that can improve public health and respond to the opioid crisis by increasing knowledge pertaining to the delivery and sustainability of prevention services. This notice of funding opportunity (NOFO) solicits applications to address understudied areas of opportunity that, if researched, could create the foundation needed to inform a prevention infrastructure for ongoing delivery and sustainment of interventions to prevent opioid and other substance misuse and use disorders.