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## IN THE NEWS

[Foster Alliance aims to serve rural Arizona, tribes with new Flagstaff location](#) (Includes video)

AZFamily – June 04, 2024

There are almost 400,000 foster children in the United States, and there are about 14,000 children in the Arizona foster care system. However, many in rural northern Arizona's foster care system don't have access to the resources they need. Matt Lipan lives and works in Flagstaff for the Foster Alliance, so he sees foster families' struggles firsthand. "As we speak, there are hundreds of kids in the foster care community as we speak in just the northern region," Lipan said. "Including with some of the tribal nations, it's over a thousand. So I think the challenge that we set out to kind of try and figure out is how to solve, how do we create better access."

[Former federal investigator explains how criminal investigations on Tribal land work](#)

12 News Arizona – June 4, 2024

Federal investigators are working with Gila River Police Department to figure out what happened the night a police officer and woman were killed in a shooting.

[The Latest Constitutional Challenge to Indian Child Welfare Law is Struck Down in Minnesota Appeals Court](#)

Imprint – June 06, 2024

In a case challenging the constitutionality of the Indian Child Welfare Act, a Minnesota appeals court has allowed white foster parents to continue seeking custody of two Red Lake Nation children, while striking down the couple's claim that they were discriminated against because of their race. The ongoing case was brought by Kellie and Nathan Reyelts of Fairmont, who have fostered more than 30 children. They appealed to the higher court after a November ruling allowed the twins they had once cared for to remain with biological relatives -- a decision made in accordance with state and federal laws that prioritize kinship placements for Native American children.

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**Baldwin Introduces Bipartisan Bill to Better Protect Native Children and Families** (Press release)

Office of Tammy Baldwin, U.S. Senator for Wisconsin – June 06, 2024  
Today, U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin (D-WI) introduced bipartisan legislation to protect Native children and promote the stability and security of tribes and families. The Strengthening Tribal Families Act bolsters a crucial law, the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA), that helps create better outcomes for Native youth and rights the wrongs of a history of removing Native children from their families and tribes. "For years, native children were unjustly separated from their families, disconnecting them from their communities and cultures," said Senator Baldwin. "We took a significant step forward to address this longstanding problem - but there's more work to do. My legislation will ensure states have tools and resources to preserve and strengthen tribal families and communities for generations to come."

**Congressional Lawmakers Seek Stricter Enforcement of the Indian Child Welfare Act**

Imprint – June 11, 2024

A bipartisan bill now before Congress would bolster the Indian Child Welfare Act by helping state and county child welfare agencies identify challenges and providing technical assistance "to shore up any weaknesses." Since the 1978 passage of the law known as ICWA, extra efforts must be made to protect Native American families from separation in the foster care system. But enforcement has been spotty, and tribal children continue to be far more likely than others to be separated from their homes and communities.

Also: [H.R.3461 - Strengthening Tribal Families Act of 2023](#)

**US Catholic bishops approve outreach to Native Americans and acknowledge boarding school 'traumas'** (Includes video)

Associated Press – June 14, 2024

U.S. bishops on Friday approved new guidelines for ministering to Indigenous Catholics, a long in-the-works effort to reinvigorate the ministry and assure those communities that they don't need to feel torn by their Native identity and their Catholic one. "You are both. Your cultural embodiment of the faith is a gift to the Church," states the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' document. It was completed as new details emerged during the past two years of widespread abuses inflicted on Native children over many decades at Catholic-run boarding schools. "The Church recognizes that it has played a part in traumas experienced by Native children," according to the new "Keeping Christ's Sacred Promise: A Pastoral Framework for Indigenous Ministry." The document received overwhelming support at this week's USCCB meeting in Louisville, Kentucky.

**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.

**Why so many California Indians lack the federal recognition given to other Native Americans**

LA Times – June 15, 2024

California has more tribes that are not federally recognized than any other state, raising questions about California Indians' history with the U.S. government, the politics of Native American identity and the problems of the Department of the Interior's proffered path to recognition, known as the federal acknowledgment process. Eighty-one California tribes have sought acknowledgment since 1978, but just one has secured federal recognition.

**US boarding school truth inches forward**

ICT News – June 19, 2024

The U.S. is beginning to face its Indian boarding school history. Both the U.S. Congress and the Catholic Church took visible steps forward last week in officially taking action on an issue that has long been ignored in the U.S. Unlike Canada, which embarked on addressing its residential school history in 2007, the U.S. has largely overlooked its Indian boarding school history, which served as the inspiration for Canada's schools with forced attendance and harsh assimilationist policies. On Thursday, June 13, a bill pending in Congress that would create a U.S. Truth and Healing Commission on Indian Boarding School Policies passed through the markup procedure in the House Education and Workforce Committee - a big step forward on its journey through Congress.

**House Members Introduce ICWA Enhancement Measure**

Cherokee Phoenix – June 20, 2024

Recently, a bipartisan group of federal lawmakers announced their introduction of legislation intended to add some reinforcement to the Indian Child Welfare Act. The "Strengthening Tribal Families Act of 2024" would require the Department of Health and Human Services to create a technical assistance plan using six metrics of data to assess the strengths and weaknesses of states' implementation plans of the Indian Child Welfare Act.

**Cowichan Tribes retake control of child welfare in agreement with B.C., feds** (Includes video)

Global News – June 24, 2024

British Columbia's largest First Nation has signed a landmark agreement with the provincial and federal governments restoring its authority over child welfare and family services. Cowichan Tribes Chief Cindy Daniels, B.C. Minister of Children and Family Development Grace Lore and federal Minister of Indigenous Services Patty Hadju inked the coordination agreement on Monday.

**PUBLICATIONS**

**Defer Your Deference: How Courts Should Approach the Intersection of the Indian Canons of Construction and Chevron Deference**, Nicholas R. Walter, Baylor Law Review, Vol. 76, No. 1 (2024)

Within the complex landscape of statutory interpretation, many guiding pillars stand tall, each providing the judiciary with unique directives. However, these pillars occasionally cast contrasting shadows. The intersection of the Indian canons of construction and *Chevron* deference illuminates this inherent tension in statutory interpretation, presenting judges with contradictory guidance when interpreting an ambiguous statute. Historically, circuit courts have taken a black-and-white approach to decide whether to apply the Indian canons or *Chevron* deference, championing one doctrine while bolstering competing policy considerations.

**Indian Country Lawyers: A South Dakota Survey**, Hannah Haksgaard, Bryce Drapeaux, 69 South Dakota Law Review (forthcoming 2024).

South Dakota's reservations are rural and suffer from a shortage of lawyers. Relatedly, there are very few Native American licensed attorneys in South Dakota. This essay confronts the rural lawyer shortage on South Dakota's reservations by documenting the lawyers practicing on South Dakota's reservations. In addition, this essay addresses the access to justice crisis amplified on South Dakota's reservations by this lawyer shortage. The essay provides some insight into the difficulties of placing more lawyers onto the reservations, while also offering potential pathways to remedy this crisis.

**Tribes and Trilateral Federalism: A Study of Criminal Jurisdiction**, Alaexandra Fay, Arizona State Law Journal, Vol. 56, No. 1 (2024).

In 1789, the people of thirteen young American states defined a new sovereign. By ratifying the Constitution, the citizens of the states formed a national government to reign supreme over the United States of America. The two preexisting sovereigns of this American territory—states and tribes—would ultimately bow before the supremacy of the national government. The states formally accepted their subordination through ratification conventions. And they have jealously guarded the remaining attributes of their independent sovereignty

throughout the ensuing centuries. In contrast, tribes and their citizens were absent from the drafting convention and ratification process. America's Native nations were subjected to subordination by treaties and conquest.

**[Practice Brief 17: Evidence-Supported, Culturally Responsive Mental Health Care for Native Children and Families in the CAC Setting](#)**, Native Child Advocacy Resource Center, January 2024.

National Children's Alliance (NCA) Accreditation Standard 6 requires that Child Advocacy Centers (CACs) connect children and families to licensed mental health providers who have been trained in the delivery of trauma-focused, evidence-supported clinical treatments. CACs can either offer these services onsite or through linkage agreements with external providers. Not all mental health providers have been trained in the delivery of treatments meeting this standard, however. In this Practice Brief, we will explain what it means to meet the standard as well as an overview of considerations for implementing these kinds of treatment models with Native American children and families.

**[Practice Brief 18: Always Ready to Help: An Interview with Salli Kerr, WRCAC Training Specialist and Tribal Liaison](#)**, Native Child Advocacy Resource Center, February 2024.

NCARC's Jennifer Calder interviewed Salli Kerr, Training Specialist and Tribal Liaison at the Western Regional Children's Advocacy Center (WRCAC), to discuss the operations of a regional CAC and the unique characteristics of the Western Region. The interview has been edited for length and clarity.

**[Practice Brief 20: Words of Wisdom from Tribal CAC Directors](#)**, Native Child Advocacy Resource Center, March 2024.

In our work with Tribal Child Advocacy Centers (CACs) and Native Nations, NCARC has observed that some of the most meaningful learning occurs in peer-to-peer contexts. Stakeholders attempting to form a new Tribally operated multidisciplinary team (MDT), or MDT leaders interested in developing a CAC, want to hear from others who have accomplished these goals before them.

**[Wisconsin Lawyer, State Bar of Wisconsin, June 10, 2024](#)** Special Indian Law Issue. Articles include:

[Indian Law in Wisconsin: A Primer](#), Paul William Stenzel

The author provides an overview of the 11 federally recognized tribes in Wisconsin and their relationships to and with the federal and state governments and laws.

[Be a Good Friend: Tips for Effective Amicus Briefing](#), Daniel D. Lewerenz

Amicus practice is particularly common in federal Indian law cases. Here are examples that demonstrate some of the more nuanced elements of strategic amicus practice.

**[SB 562 Tribal Customary Adoption Report to the Interim Committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the Judiciary](#)**, March 15, 2024. [Oregon]. Oregon. Department of Human Services. 2024

**[The Link Between Individual Domestic Violence and Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women: VAWA Is Not Enough](#)**, Emily Knowlan, University of St. Thomas Law Journal Vol. 20 (2), p. 466, May 2024.

**[Harvard Civil Rights – Civil Liberties Law Review](#)**, Vol. 59, No. 2, Spring 2024, *Symposium—Indigenizing Civil Rights and Civil Liberties*

[Chief Justice Angela R. Riley and Professor Suzette Malveaux in Conversation at the Eleventh Annual John Paul Stevens Lecture: The Third Sovereign: Tribal Courts and Indian Country Justice](#)

by Angela R. Riley & Suzette Malveaux

[Responsible Governance and Tribal Customary Rights](#)

by Kekek Jason Stark

[Access to Justice in the Shadow of Colonialism](#)

by Kirsten Matoy Carlson

[Where's Mr. Postman? The Struggles of Voting by Mail in Indian Country](#)

by Torey Dolan

[Native Nation Resistance to the Machinations of Settler Colonial Democracy](#)

by Nazune Menka

**[Capacity Building Center for Tribes Prevention Brief](#)**, Capacity Building Center for Tribes. 2024

**[Truth and Healing Commission of Indian Boarding School Policies Act of 2023 Report](#)** – Ordered to be printed June 20, 2024

[\*\*Chief Justice Angela R. Riley and Professor Suzette Malveaux in Conversation at the Eleventh Annual John Paul Stevens Lecture: The Third Sovereign: Tribal Courts and Indian Country Justice\*\*](#), Harvard Civil Rights-Civil Liberties Law Review, Vol. 59, No.2 (2024).

[\*\*Access to Justice in the Shadow of Colonialism\*\*](#), Kirsten Matoy Carlson, Harvard Civil Rights-Civil Liberties Law Review, Vol. 59, No. 2 (2024).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### [\*\*The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Celebrates LGBTQI+ Pride Month\*\*](#)

OJJDP is committed to supporting LGBTQI+ youth across all its funded programs. OJJDP recently launched the [\*\*Pride Justice Resource Center\*\*](#). The center offers training and technical assistance to juvenile justice practitioners to enhance their capacity, knowledge, and skills to improve outcomes for LGBTQI+ and Two-Spirit youth involved in the juvenile justice system. OJJDP has also developed a framework to guide its approach to serving LGBTQI+ and Two-Spirit youth, including guidelines for their treatment in the juvenile justice system.

### [\*\*Children's Justice Project\*\*](#)

OJJDP and the [\*\*National Center for Missing & Exploited Children\*\*](#) (NCMEC) have launched the Children's Justice Project to identify the remains of youth and children across the country who have been found deceased but never identified. The National Institute of Justice's National Missing and Unidentified Persons System reports an estimated 1,000 cases of unidentified children remain unresolved.

## ONLINE RESOURCES

### **Capacity Building Center for Tribes:**

- [\*\*Digital and Visual Strategies to Improve Tribal Child Welfare Practice \(Webinar Recording\)\*\*](#) On June 5th, the Capacity Building Center for Tribes hosted a webinar about the Tribal Information Exchange, including over 500 resources that receive over 200,000 downloads each year on topics including ICWA, prevention, title IV-B and IV-E, healing, data, child welfare practice, and tribal-state partnerships.
- [\*\*Introduction to AFCARS for Tribal Child Welfare Programs\*\*](#), outlines the requirements for direct title IV-E agencies to submit AFCARS data to the federal government. The data helps the Children's Bureau understand child welfare trends, inform policy decisions, and address the unique needs of tribal child welfare systems.
- The new [\*\*prevention resources page\*\*](#) on the Tribal Information Exchange is live! Visit the page to locate resources related to tribal child welfare prevention programs, including definitions of prevention, examples of prevention programs in tribal communities, and resources to support prevention program development.
- [\*\*Decolonizing the History of the Gender Binary in Service of Supporting Gender Diverse Indigenous Youth\*\*](#): Last fall, the Capacity Building Center for Tribes and Arc Telos Saint Amour hosted Decolonizing the History of the Gender Binary in Service of Supporting Gender Diverse Indigenous Youth, a three-part webinar series that supports tribal child welfare professionals in building knowledge and identifying strategies to increase their understanding, acceptance, and support of LGBTQIA2S+ youth and families.

### [\*\*Center for Excellence in Family Finding and Engagement ICWA Resources\*\*](#)

News and announcements from the Center for Excellence related to the Indian Child Welfare Act.

## UPCOMING CONFERENCES, WEBINARS, AND TRAININGS

### [\*\*Ask the Expert: Cultural Reconnection and Resource Resilience in Tribal Communities\*\*](#)

July 9, 2024, 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm CT (Webinar) National Criminal Justice Training Center

Join this session for a facilitated discussion and open forum with subject matter experts who will answer your practical questions regarding working with clients who are experiencing substance use disorder or co-occurring disorders as they are aiming to successfully reenter and reintegrate into their tribal community post-treatment or post-incarceration.

### **National Indian Country Training Initiative Online Training Announcement**

Title: [\*\*2024 Tribal Justice Safety and Wellness Summit\*\*](#)

**Dates: July 9-11, 2024, 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM ET**

**Registration Deadline: July 5, 2024**

OLE Notification Deadline: July 8, 2024

The National Indian Country Training Initiative is pleased to host the 2024 Tribal Justice Safety and Wellness Summit sponsored by the Department of the Interior and Department of Justice. The Summit is virtual and will be held the afternoons of July 9 - 11, 2024. The Summit is intended for federal, state, and tribal law enforcement, prosecutors, advocates, court staff, victim/witness services staff, and tribal leaders.

**2024 Virtual POWER Act Event** – July 19, 2024, 1:00 PM, EST

Designed to promote pro-bono services to empower survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. This virtual program highlights the impact of pro bono representation and advocacy in the lives of victims and survivors of violence and abuse. **Guest Speakers Include:**

Ginger T. Rex, actress and writer

Trina Clemans, survivor and activist

Brenda Golden, enrolled citizen of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, lawyer, outspoken activist, advocate, and seeker of justice for native people

Erin Helfert-Moesse, internationally recognized advocate for girls and women's empowerment

**July 21-24, 2024 (Phoenix, Arizona)**

**87th Annual Conference National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges (NCJFCJ)**

**July 21-25, 2024 (New Orleans, LA)**

**National Association for Court Management 2024 Annual Conference**

**July 31-August 2, 2024 (Hybrid)**

**6th Annual Noojimo'iwin: The VAWA and ICWA Training**

**August 18-21, 2024 (Denver, CO)**

**National Association for Presiding Judges and Court Executive Officers 2024 NAPCO Conference**

**September 18-20, 2024 (Phoenix, Arizona)**

**2024 Tribal Healing to Wellness Court Implementation and Enhancement Training**

**October 1-3, 2024 (Central Valley, CA. Exact Location TBA)**

**31<sup>st</sup> Annual California State ICWA Conference – Harmony in Culture – Strength in Resilience**

**October 22-24, 2024 (Las Vegas, Nevada)**

**55<sup>th</sup> Annual National Tribal Judicial and Court Personnel Conference**

**November 19-21, 2024 (Washington, DC)**

**2024 OJJDP National Conference on Youth Justice: Shaping the Next 50 Years**

**December 10-13, 2024 (Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians Reservation, CA)**

**18<sup>th</sup> Indian Nations Conference**

#### **COVID-19 SPECIFIC GRANT OPPORTUNITIES**

##### **FEMA COVID-19 FUNERAL ASSISTANCE**

FEMA will continue to provide funeral assistance until Sept. 30, 2025, to those who have lost loved ones due to this pandemic.

#### **NEW GRANT OPPORTUNITIES**

##### **Expanding Access to Sexual Assault Forensic Examinations**

U.S. Department of Justice

Office of Justice Programs

Office for Victims of Crime

Step 1: Application Grants.gov Deadline: July 8, 2024

Step 2: Application JustGrants Deadline: July 22, 2024

OVC seeks to support (1) the development or expansion of Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner/Sexual Assault Forensic Examiner (SANE/SAFE) programs using a coordinated community response strategy and (2) the provision of training and technical assistance (TTA).

**Rural Community Development Initiative (RCDI)**

**Department of Agriculture**

**Rural Housing Service**

**USDA-RD-HCFP-RCDI-2024**

**Deadline: July 10, 2024**

The RCDI structure requires the intermediary (grantee) to provide a program of financial and technical assistance to recipients to develop their capacity and ability to undertake projects related to housing, community facilities, or community and economic development.

**National Sexual Assault Kit Initiative**

**U.S. Department of Justice**

**Office of Justice Programs**

**Bureau of Justice Assistance**

**Step 1: Application Grants.gov Deadline: July 29, 2024**

**Step 2: Application JustGrants Deadline: August 5, 2024**

BJA seeks to support the Department's priorities of reducing violent crime and supporting law enforcement officers and prosecutors by: • Providing jurisdictions (including rural and tribal) with resources to address unsubmitted sexual assault kits (SAKs) (including partially tested kits) in their custody that have not been submitted to a forensic laboratory for testing with Combined DNA Index System (CODIS)-eligible DNA methodologies. • Improving investigations and prosecutions in connection with evidence and cases resulting from the SAK testing process, as well as other violent cold case crimes. • Providing sites with resources to collect DNA samples from qualifying individuals who should have a sample in CODIS, but from whom a sample has never been collected or submitted to a laboratory for testing, as well as developing/reforming policies for arrestee collections, if legally permissible in the awardee's jurisdiction.

**Law Enforcement Training and Technical Assistance**

**U.S. Department of Justice**

**Office of Justice Programs**

**Bureau of Justice Assistance**

**O-BJA-2024-172189**

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

**Step 2: Application JustGrants Deadline: August 12, 2024**

BJA seeks to fund four national training and technical assistance (TTA) programs to support law enforcement and criminal justice stakeholders in Task Force Leadership, Operations and Management (Category 1), Specialized Units TTA (Category 2), Crime Gun Intelligence Center TTA (Category 3) and Police Recruiting and Retention Among Underrepresented Groups (Category 4).

**Harold Rogers Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP)**

**Department of Justice**

**Bureau of Justice Assistance**

**O-BJA-2024-172184**

**Step 1: Application Grants.gov Deadline: August 9, 2024**

**Step 2: Application JustGrants Deadline: August 16, 2024**

BJA seeks to enhance the capacity of regulatory and law enforcement agencies and public health officials to collect and analyze controlled substance prescription data and other scheduled chemical products through a centralized database administered by an authorized agency.

**Broadband Technical Assistance**

**Department of Agriculture**

**Rural Utilities Service**

**RUS-BTA-2024**

**Deadline: August 20, 2024**

Program funds must be used to support broadband technical assistance activities that promote the expansion of broadband into rural areas. Examples of broadband technical assistance projects may include conducting feasibility studies, completing network designs, and developing broadband financial assistance applications.

**Eviction Protection Grant Program**

Department of Housing and Urban Development  
Department of Housing and Urban Development  
FR-6800-N-79

**Deadline: August 20, 2024**

The Eviction Protection Grant Program (EPGP) through this NOFO will fund nonprofit organizations and government entities to provide no cost legal assistance to low-income tenants at risk or subject to eviction.

**Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) Competitive Grant Program**

Department of Housing and Urban Development  
Department of Housing and Urban Development  
FR-6800-N-48

**Deadline: August 29, 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. Grant funds must be used to primarily benefit low-income Indian families.

**PREVIOUSLY REPORTED GRANT OPPORTUNITIES**

**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.

**Special Tribal Criminal Jurisdiction (STCJ) Grant Program**

Department of Justice  
Office on Violence Against Women  
O-OVW-2024-171919

**Deadline to submit SF-424 and SF-LLL in Grants.gov: July 9, 2024**

**Deadline to submit full application in JustGrants: July 11, 2024**

The program supports tribes in preparing to exercise or exercising the jurisdiction to ensure that victims find safety and justice and that non-Indians who commit covered crimes within their communities are held accountable.

**Tribal Court Improvement Program**

Department of Health and Human Services  
Administration for Children and Families - ACYF/CB  
HHS-2024-ACF-ACYF-CS-0053

**Deadline: July 9, 2024**

The Administration for Children and Families, Children's Bureau will make up to four projects for up to 48 months each. Projects will help tribal courts assess and improve how they handle American Indian and Alaska Native child welfare cases. Recipients will use this award to conduct assessments or use the results of prior assessments to improve tribal court hearings and legal representation.

**National Tribal Child Welfare Center for Innovation and Advancement**

Department of Health and Human Services  
Administration for Children and Families - ACYF/CB  
HHS-2024-ACF-ACYF-CZ-0067  
**Deadline: July 11, 2024**

Funding Opportunity Goal(s) CB's goals are: (1) to assist tribes in achieving sustainable, systemic change that results in greater safety, permanency, and well-being for children, youth, and families. and (2) to dramatically improve the experiences of children, youth, and families when contact with the child welfare system is necessary and (3) to deliver effective, high-quality technical assistance to tribal child welfare agencies.

**Emergency and Transitional Pet Shelter and Housing Assistance Grant Program**

U.S. Department of Justice

Office of Justice Programs

Office for Victims of Crime

O-OVC-2024-172145

**Step 1: Application Grants.gov Deadline: July 15, 2024**

**Step 2: Application JustGrants Deadline: July 22, 2024**

OVC seeks to provide funding for shelter and transitional housing and other assistance to victims of domestic violence and their companion animals, which under this program means pets, service animals, emotional support animals, and horses.

**Smart Reentry: Housing Demonstration Program Assistance**

U.S. Department of Justice

Office of Justice Programs

Bureau of Justice Assistance

O-BJA-2024-172144

**Step 1: Application Grants.gov Deadline: July 18, 2024**

**Step 2: Application JustGrants Deadline: July 25, 2024**

BJA seeks to fund state, local, and tribal governments to enhance or implement evidence-based activities or services to improve reentry and reduce recidivism by expanding and/or increasing access to housing for people who are currently or formerly involved in the criminal justice system.

**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.