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### Funding Opportunities

#### Department of Justice Grants Program Plan

##### Fiscal Year 2023 DOJ Program Plan

The Department of Justice offers funding opportunities to support law enforcement and public safety activities in state, local, and tribal jurisdictions; to assist victims of crime; to provide training and technical assistance; to conduct research and collect national statistics; and to implement programs that improve the criminal, civil, and juvenile justice systems. The DOJ Program Plan is a tool to help find potential funding opportunities (solicitations) from DOJ's grant-making Components, the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), and Office on Violence Against Women (OVW). The Program Plan provides summary details of the funding opportunities each DOJ grant-making Component is expecting to release or has released in a particular fiscal year.

To Search, click Use Search Filters, enter the search criteria and then click Show. Click on any solicitation title for more information. From there click Results to return to your Search results or click Use Search Filters to enter new or refined search criteria. You can filter by the grant-making component or office (i.e., COPS, OJP program offices, and OVW), keywords, eligible applicant categories, and expected release date.

On the solicitation details page, the Opportunity ID will say "TBD" for any program that has not yet been published. For those that have been published, if you are interested in applying for funding, you can copy the Opportunity ID into the Search box on <https://www.grants.gov/>.

You can also find more details on open opportunities as they become available on these pages:

- [Office of Justice Programs Current Funding Opportunities](#)
- [Office on Violence Against Women Open Solicitations](#) (also see below)
- [Office on Community Oriented Policing Services Grants](#)

**The FY23 DOJ Program Plan is under review and is anticipated to be available in the coming weeks.**

##### Search for OVW Funding Opportunities

The OVW website includes an anticipated [FY 2023 Solicitation Release Plan](#) with information about each OVW grant program, expected solicitation opening and closing dates, and expected dates for peer review.

View all open OVW solicitations at <http://www.justice.gov/ovw/open-solicitations>.

OVW is looking for peer reviewers who can objectively review, evaluate, and score applications for our grant programs. Peer reviewers consist of active or recently retired practitioners with on-the-ground experience responding to the crimes of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking. We prioritize recruiting peer reviewers from diverse communities and geographical regions. **Prior experience as a peer reviewer is not required and you cannot peer review for grants you are currently applying for.** For more information or to apply, email a copy of your current resume or curriculum vitae and a completed [Peer Reviewer Recruitment Form](#) to [OVW.peerreview@usdoj.gov](mailto:OVW.peerreview@usdoj.gov).

## Applying for DOJ Funding Tip Series

### Submit Grants.gov Forms SF-424 and SF-LLL

The first step in the Department of Justice (DOJ) application process requires applicants to submit an initial application in Grants.gov. Applicants will complete and submit two standard government forms in their Grants.gov Workspace:

- Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424)
- Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (SF-LLL)

Once submitted in Grants.gov, the information from these forms will be transmitted to JustGrants where applicants will complete the remaining sections of their application. Applicants will be able to update information sourced from the SF-424, such as project title and funding request, in the JustGrants application. [Grants.gov](#) offers helpful online resources, including [Applicant Training Resources and Videos](#) as well as [Applicant FAQs](#)

### Completing an Application in JustGrants

The training and resources available on the [JustGrants Training: Application Submission](#) page will help you get ready to complete your application in JustGrants. Access the [DOJ Application Submission Checklist](#), [Application Submission Job Aid Reference Guide](#), and a new Application Mechanics eLearning video that contains step-by-step instructions on how to complete your application. These resources are available to help you through each step of the application submission process from start to finish.

### New Enhancements to JustGrants

JustGrants is constantly improving its user experience for applicants. This year, JustGrants has included the following functionalities enabling users to –

- add up to three application submitters per application, and
- recall an already-submitted application prior to the deadline.

Applicants are also encouraged to attend an [application mechanics training](#), which is held every Wednesday from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. ET. These virtual sessions walk users through the application submission process, and provide demonstrations of each JustGrants application section.

Register to attend a training session [here](#).

### Onboard and Access JustGrants

Once JustGrants receives the initial application submitted in Grants.gov, prospective applicants will need to log in to JustGrants to complete and submit the full application.

For both new and returning users to JustGrants, [step 3 of the DOJ Application Submission Checklist](#) outlines what to expect when onboarding and accessing JustGrants. Every entity will have a unique JustGrants entity profile based on their SAM.gov unique entity identifier (UEI), which contains all Department of Justice (DOJ) applications and awards for that entity.

### Accessing JustGrants: Existing Entities

If an entity already has a JustGrants account, the application submitter will find the draft JustGrants application waiting in their "Worklist" upon logging in. Entity users can also view applications within their entity profile.

### Accessing JustGrants: New Entities

If you're new to JustGrants, your entity's System for Award Management (SAM) electronic business primary point of contact (E-Biz POC) and the individual identified in Section 8.F of the SF-424 will receive an email from [DIAMD-NoReply@usdoj.gov](mailto:DIAMD-NoReply@usdoj.gov) with instructions on how to create an account in JustGrants.

For more information on how to get started in JustGrants after submitting the SF-424 and SF-LLL in Grants.gov, review the [DOJ Application Submission Checklist](#) today. You may also review the [JustGrants Entity Management Training page](#), which provides a collection of resources to help entities establish and maintain their entity profile and users in JustGrants

### How To Complete a Budget in JustGrants

A detailed budget proposal that documents every expected cost associated with a proposal is a critical piece of your application.

For specific budget instructions related to your application, applicants should first review the solicitation for further details. If a budget detail form is required, this [JustGrants training video](#) will provide instructions on how

to complete the form, and the [Application Submission Job Aid Reference Guide](#) will show you how to add the associated costs to your proposal.

The budget summary section of the budget detail form is the space where applicants review the breakdown of total project costs across any requested federal funding, match, or program income. For support in entering match and program income, be sure to review the [Budget Summary Matching Quick Reference Guide](#).

#### **Submit Your Application in JustGrants**

The final step to applying for Department of Justice (DOJ) funding is to submit your completed application in JustGrants. Every funding opportunity has a JustGrants submission deadline, and applicants are encouraged to submit in advance to provide ample time to address potential gaps or errors.

#### **Check for Errors Early and Often**

Every funding opportunity describes unique application requirements that then translate to your JustGrants application. Those requirements are generally marked by an asterisk, and users are prompted to address those requirements within each application section (when selecting the "Continue" button on each section). Users can also check for errors in the final section of the application on the "Certify and Submit" page. Learn more about error checks and how to make corrections in the [Application Submission: Resolving Validation Errors Quick Reference Guide](#).

#### **Successful Submission**

Once your application has been successfully submitted, a confirmation message will appear at the top of the page, the application status will change to "Submitted," and users will receive an email confirming successful submission.

For more information on submitting an application, refer to the [JustGrants Application Submission Training page](#)

### **1. OVC FY 2023 Anti-Trafficking Housing Assistance Program (Services and Training and Technical Assistance) –**

OJP is committed to advancing work that promotes civil rights and racial equity, increases access to justice, supports crime victims and individuals impacted by the justice system, strengthens community safety and protects the public from crime and evolving threats, and builds trust between law enforcement and the community. To enhance capacity to identify, assist, and provide services to all victims of human trafficking, OVC leads the Nation in supporting victim-centered and trauma-informed programs, policies, and resources that promote justice, access, and empowerment. With this solicitation, OVC seeks to provide funding for housing services for victims of human trafficking, as defined by 22 U.S.C. § 7102(11).

Grants.gov deadline: May 30, 2023 8:59 PM ET

JustGrants deadline: June 5, 2023 8:59 PM ET

To view the solicitation, visit [here](#).

### **2. OWV Fiscal Year 2023 Tribal Sexual Assault Services Program – Solicitation –**

The Tribal Sexual Assault Services Program (TSASP) (CFDA # 16.024) supports efforts to create, maintain, and expand sustainable sexual assault services provided by Tribes, tribal organizations, and nonprofit tribal organizations within Indian country and Alaska Native villages. TSASP supported projects provide intervention, advocacy, accompaniment (e.g., accompanying victims to court, medical facilities, or police departments), support services, and related assistance for adult, youth, and child victims of sexual assault, non-offending family and household members of victims, and those collaterally affected by the sexual assault.

Grants.gov deadline: June 5, 2023 11:59 PM ET

JustGrants deadline: June 8, 2023 9:00 PM ET

To view the solicitation, visit [here](#).

### **3. NIJ FY23 Research on Juvenile Justice Topics**

With this solicitation, NIJ seeks proposals for rigorous research and evaluation projects that inform policy and practice in the field of juvenile justice in three. Specifically, this solicitation seeks proposals for studies that advance knowledge and understanding in the following three categories:

1. Research and evaluation of legislative and administrative policy changes affecting youth involved in the justice system. Applicants must address one or more of the following addressing one of three specified juvenile justice issues:

- Providing community-based alternatives to youth incarceration, with a focus on very high- need/risk youth who have traditionally been held securely
- Sealing and expunging juvenile justice records
- Reducing racial and ethnic disparities in the juvenile justice system

2. Research to assess data capacity and service delivery for dual system youth across the juvenile justice and child welfare systems

3. Analysis on the use of the valid court order exception

Applicants must register with [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov) and [JustGrants](https://www.justgrants.gov) prior to submitting an application.

This solicitation is competitive; therefore, NIJ staff cannot have individual conversations with prospective applicants. Any questions concerning the solicitation should be submitted to the OJP Response Center: 800-851-3420; TTY at 301-240-6310 (for hearing impaired only); or email [grants@ncjrs.gov](mailto:grants@ncjrs.gov). See also NIJ's [solicitation FAQ webpage](#).

The following application elements must be included in the application to meet the basic minimum requirements to advance to peer review and receive consideration for funding:

- Proposal Narrative
- Budget Web-Based Form (The web-based form includes the budget details and the budget narrative.)  
Curricula Vitae/Resumes for Key Personnel (For purposes of this solicitation, "key personnel" means the principal investigator and all co-principal investigators.)

Grants.gov deadline: May 29, 2023 11:59 PM ET

JustGrants deadline: June 12, 2023 8:59 PM ET

To view the solicitation, visit [here](#).

#### **4. OJJDP FY 2023 Second Chance Act Addressing the Needs of Incarcerated Parents and Their Minor Children –**

OJJDP's guiding philosophy is to enhance the welfare of America's youth and broaden their opportunities for a better future. To bring these goals to fruition, OJJDP is leading efforts to transform the juvenile justice system into one that will Treat Children as Children; Serve Children at Home, With Their Families, in Their Communities; and Open Up Opportunities for System-Involved Youth. OJJDP encourages all proposed applications that work with youth to highlight how the proposed program aligns with these priorities. OJJDP envisions a juvenile justice system centered on the strengths, needs, and voices of youth and families. Young people and family members with lived experience are vital resources for understanding and reaching persons involved or at risk of involvement with youth-serving systems. OJJDP asks stakeholders to join us in sustainably integrating bold, transformative youth and family partnership strategies into our daily work. OJJDP believes in achieving positive outcomes for youth, families, and communities through meaningful partnership and active partnerships, ensuring they play a central role in collaboratively developing solutions.

Grants.gov deadline: May 30, 2023 11:59 PM ET

JustGrants deadline: June 12, 2023 8:59 PM ET

To view the solicitation, visit [here](#).

#### **5. BJA FY 23 The National Sexual Assault Kit Initiative: Training and Technical Assistance Program**

The overall goal of the National Sexual Assault Kit Initiative TTA Program is to build state and local capacities to address violent crime associated with unsubmitted SAKs, sexually motivated homicides, and corresponding crime scene evidence by supporting the needs of SAKI sites and, as resources allow, other jurisdictions engaged in community-based sexual assault reform. Purpose Area 2: Eligible applicants are states (including territories), units of local government (including federally recognized Indian tribal governments as determined by the Secretary of the Interior), nonprofit and for-profit organizations (including tribal nonprofit or for-profit organizations), and institutions of higher education (including tribal institutions of higher education).

Grants.gov deadline: June 5, 2023 8:59 PM ET

JustGrants deadline: June 12, 2023 8:59 PM ET

To view the solicitation, visit [here](#).

#### **6. BJA FY 23 Smart Reentry: Expanding Jail Programs and Services –**

With this solicitation, BJA seeks to fund units of local government and federally recognized Indian tribal governments to plan, implement, or expand effective reentry practices and service delivery systems within local correctional facility (nonprison) settings, including jails, and for incarcerated persons transitioning from these facilities to the community. This funding is available to support the development and provision of innovative evidence-based reentry programming and services that address individuals' needs of individuals returning to the community from jail and that reduce recidivism for the local population. Services can be provided in a wide range of local correctional settings, including jails, halfway house, and in the community.

Grants.gov deadline: June 5, 2023 8:59 PM ET

JustGrants deadline: June 12, 2023 8:59 PM ET

To view the solicitation, visit [here](#).

#### **7. OVC FY 2023 Field-Generated Solicitation: Increasing Options and Expanding Access for Victims of Crime –**

OJP is committed to advancing work that promotes civil rights and racial equity, increases access to justice, supports crime victims and individuals impacted by the justice system, strengthens community safety and protects the public from crime and evolving threats, and builds trust between law enforcement and the community. With this solicitation, OVC seeks field-generated proposals that offer innovative solutions that will increase the service options available to crime victims, expand access for underheard and underrepresented communities, or improve the way information is delivered to crime victims. Applicants will be asked to state the problem they are aiming to solve and present an innovative solution that will generate new or promising practices for the field. Each applicant must propose a research partner to conduct project evaluation. Further information can be found under "Note on Project Evaluations" in the OJP Grant Application Resource Guide.

Grants.gov deadline: June 5, 2023 11:59 PM ET

JustGrants deadline: June 12, 2023 8:59 PM ET

To view the solicitation, visit [here](#).

#### **8. OVC FY 2023 Integrated Services for Minor Victims of Human Trafficking –**

OJP is committed to advancing work that promotes civil rights and racial equity, increases access to justice, supports crime victims and individuals impacted by the justice system, strengthens community safety and protects the public from crime and evolving threats, and builds trust between law enforcement and the community. To enhance capacity to identify, assist, and provide services to all victims of human trafficking, OVC leads the Nation in supporting victim-centered and trauma-informed programs, policies, and resources that promote justice, access, and empowerment. With this solicitation, OVC will fund programs to enhance the quality and quantity of services available to assist minor victims of human trafficking, as defined by the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA), as amended, by providing services that are developmentally appropriate and tailored to the individual needs of young trafficking victims.

Grants.gov deadline: June 6, 2023 11:59 PM ET

JustGrants deadline: June 13, 2023 8:59 PM ET

To view the solicitation, visit [here](#).

## 9. NIJ Youth Mentoring Research and Evaluation

Mentoring is a prominent delinquency prevention and victimization recovery strategy for at-risk youth. With this solicitation NIJ seeks applications for rigorous youth mentoring research and independent evaluation projects that address one or both of the following two topical areas:

- Barriers to accessing mentoring services for youth involved in the justice system
- Mentoring programs that serve youth involved in the justice system

Applications will be submitted in a two-step process, each step with its own deadline:

Applicants must register with [Grants.gov](#) and [JustGrants](#) prior to submitting an application.

This solicitation is competitive; therefore, NIJ staff cannot have individual conversations with prospective applicants. Any questions concerning the solicitation should be submitted to the OJP Response Center: 800-851-3420; TTY at 301-240-6310 (for hearing impaired only); or email [grants@ncjrs.gov](mailto:grants@ncjrs.gov). See also NIJ's [solicitation FAQ webpage](#).

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Grants.gov deadline: May 30, 2023 11:59 PM ET

JustGrants deadline: June 13, 2023 8:59 PM ET

To view the solicitation, visit [here](#).

## 10. State-Tribal Partnerships to Implement Best Practices in Indian Child Welfare –

The purpose of this notice of funding opportunity is to create and implement intergovernmental partnership models to improve implementation of child welfare best practices that are culturally appropriate for federally recognized AI/AN children to prevent maltreatment, removal from families and communities, and improve safety, permanency, and well-being. Recipients will serve as demonstration sites to design and implement projects to effectively implement culturally appropriate best practices in Indian child welfare, including research and evaluation of improvements in child welfare practice, Indian child welfare codes, legal and judicial processes, case monitoring, case planning, data collection, in-home family preservation services, infrastructure, and systems change. Partnerships must include the state Court Improvement Program, the state child welfare agency, and one or more tribal governments or tribal consortia including corresponding tribal court(s). The "Tribal government" partner(s) may be tribal child welfare agencies where appropriate under tribal law or custom.

Deadline: June 13, 2023

To view the solicitation, visit [here](#).

## 11. \*\*\*FY 2023 Tribal Court Improvement Program

The Administration for Children and Families, Children's Bureau announces the availability of awards to provide tribes and tribal consortia the opportunity to compete for grants to enable tribal courts to design and implement projects and/or activities to assess, expand, or enhance the effectiveness of tribal courts and/or legal representation in cases related to child welfare, family preservation, family reunification, guardianship, and adoption. In doing this work, grantees are required to engage in and demonstrate "meaningful, ongoing collaboration" with the tribal social service agencies. The funding is intended for tribal courts to: (1) Conduct assessments of how courts handle child welfare proceedings; (2) Implement changes to address the results of court assessments; (3) Ensure that the safety, permanency, and well-being needs of children are met in a timely and complete manner; and (4) Continuously improve the quality of court hearings and legal representation, including engagement of parties.

Deadline: June 13, 2023

To view the solicitation, visit [here](#).

## **12. OJJDP FY 2023 Youth Violence Prevention Program –**

OJJDP envisions a juvenile justice system centered on the strengths, needs, and voices of youth and families. Young people and family members with lived experience are vital resources for understanding and reaching persons involved or at risk of involvement with youth-serving systems. OJJDP asks stakeholders to join us in sustainably integrating bold, transformative youth and family partnership strategies into our daily work. OJJDP believes in achieving positive outcomes for youth, families, and communities through meaningful engagement and active partnerships, ensuring they play a central role in collaboratively developing solutions.

Grants.gov deadline: June 12, 2023 11:59 PM ET

JustGrants deadline: June 26, 2023 8:59 PM ET

To view the solicitation, visit [here](#).

## **13. OVC FY 2023 Developing Future Victim Specialists to Serve American Indian/Alaska Native Victims of Crime**

With this solicitation, OVC seeks to develop a workforce of victim service providers to serve American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) victims of crime in isolated locations. By identifying and training prospective victim service professionals in, or from, the communities to be served, Tribal and Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) victim service programs will be better able to fill these positions in remote Indian Country and Alaska Native locations, and in turn ensure that victims in these locations get the services they need.

Grants.gov deadline: June 12, 2023 11:59 PM ET

JustGrants deadline: June 20, 2023 8:59 PM ET

To view the solicitation, visit [here](#).

## **14. BJA FY 23 Rural and Small Department Violent Crime Reduction Program –**

OJP is committed to advancing work that promotes civil rights and racial equity, increases access to justice, supports crime victims and individuals impacted by the justice system, strengthens community safety and protects the public from crime and evolving threats, and builds trust between law enforcement and the community. With this solicitation, BJA seeks to support small and rural agencies in their efforts to combat violent crime.

Grants.gov deadline: June 13, 2023 8:59 PM ET

JustGrants deadline: June 20, 2023 8:59 PM ET

To view the solicitation, visit [here](#).

## **15. BJA FY 23 Reimagining Justice: Testing a New Model of Community Safety –**

With this solicitation, BJA seeks to fill a gap within OJP's current funding plan by seeding the development, implementation, and testing of new or innovative approaches to achieving community safety that are alternatives to a traditional enforcement model for communities experiencing a precipitous increase in less serious and lower-level crimes. This solicitation will fund applications proposing an innovative strategy or model to improve community safety, build trust, limit unnecessary involvement in the criminal justice system, and improve residents' perceptions of law enforcement and procedural fairness and legitimacy.

Grants.gov deadline: June 20, 2023 8:59 PM ET

JustGrants deadline: June 27, 2023 8:59 PM ET

To view the solicitation, visit [here](#).

## **16. Victims of Human Trafficking in Native Communities (VHT-NC) Demonstration Program**

The VHT-NC Demonstration Program funds organizations to build, expand, and sustain organizational and community capacity to deliver comprehensive services to Native American adults and children who have

experienced human trafficking. The VHT-NC Demonstration Program is informed by a whole family approach that focuses equally and intentionally on services and opportunities for clients and their immediate family members living within their households.

Grants.gov deadline: June 30, 2023, 11:59 p.m. ET

To view the solicitation, visit [here](#).

### **17. Domestic Victims of Human Trafficking Services and Outreach (DVHT-SO) Program –**

The Office on Trafficking in Persons (OTIP) within the Administration for Children and Families (ACF) is announcing funding for the Domestic Victims of Human Trafficking Services and Outreach (DVHT- SO) Program. The goal of the DVHT-SO Program is to fund organizations that will build, expand, and sustain organizational and local capacity to deliver services to domestic victims of severe forms of human trafficking as defined by the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended through victim outreach, identification, case management, direct services, assistance, and referrals. Under the DVHT-SO Program, the following activities are required: 1) comprehensive case management and services to adults and children who have experienced human trafficking; and 2) outreach to increase identification of adults and children who have experienced sex and labor trafficking. The DVHT-SO Program is informed by a whole-family approach that focuses equally and intentionally on services and opportunities for individuals who have experienced human trafficking and their immediate family members living within their households. OTIP encourages community partnerships, meaningful engagement of individuals who have experienced human trafficking, and hiring qualified professionals from the communities being served under the DVHT-SO Program. Recipients will undergo a 12-month project implementation period to establish partnerships, on-board new staff, and develop a victim service protocol and a sustainability plan.

Grants.gov deadline: June 30, 2023 11:59 PM ET

To view the solicitation, visit [here](#).

### **18. \*\*\*Family Counseling and Support for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer/Questioning, Intersex+ Youth and their Families –**

The purpose of this program is to prevent health and behavioral health risks (e.g., suicide, depression, homelessness, drug use, HIV) and to promote well-being for LGBTQI+ youth in the context of their families/caregivers, cultures, and communities by establishing LGBTQI+ family counseling and support programs and training providers on family counseling and support interventions. Eligible applicants are States and Territories (American Samoa, Guam, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Northern Mariana Islands, Palau, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands), including the District of Columbia; political subdivisions of States (i.e. county, city, state); Indian tribes, or tribal organizations (as such terms are defined in section 5304 of title 25); health facilities, or programs operated by or in accordance with a contract or award with the Indian Health Service; or other public or private non-profit entities.

Grants.gov deadline: June 30, 2023 11:59 PM ET

To view the solicitation, visit [here](#).

### **19. \*\*\*OVW Fiscal Year 2023 Research and Evaluation Initiative Solicitation –**

The purpose of the Research and Evaluation (R&E) Initiative is to research and evaluate approaches to combatting domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking (hereafter referred to as “VAWA crimes”). By generating more knowledge about strategies for serving victims and holding offenders accountable, communities that benefit from VAWA funding will be better equipped to align their work with practices that are known to be effective, and they will be more capable of generating empirical knowledge on the efficacy of new and promising ways of doing things. The initiative is designed to support researcher-practitioner partnerships and a broad range of research and evaluation methods, including qualitative, mixed-method, quasi-experimental, and experimental designs. Because OVW has very limited funds to support research and evaluation, this initiative prioritizes topics for which a stronger evidence base would help OVW grantees use federal funds most effectively.

Grants.gov deadline: June 29, 2023 11:59 PM ET

JustGrants deadline: July 5, 2023 9:00 PM ET



To view the solicitation, visit [here](#).

20. **\*\*\*This is NOT a Funding Opportunity – There is a deadline to apply\*\*\***  
**Free Sign Language Interpretation Service for Victims Service Providers**

Activating Change is launching a new service that provides remote sign language interpretation services – free of charge – to victim service providers in the United States. Victim service providers must meet eligibility requirements and apply to participate.

About Our New Service

Activating Change's Sign Language Interpreting Service for Deaf Victims closes the communication gap for Deaf victims of crime by providing qualified, trauma-informed remote sign language interpretation services – using safe and secure technology – free of charge to victim service providers serving Deaf victims of crime.

The service also provides expert guidance, tools, and resources to strengthen organization's capacity to effectively secure, prepare and work with sign language interpreters of different specializations, including Deaf Interpreters and trilingual interpreters.

Who Is Eligible

Any victim services organization in the United States is eligible to apply to participate in the service. However, priority consideration will be given to:

- Organizations with an immediate need for interpretation services
- Organizations in rural and remote communities
- Organizations in communities with limited to no sign language interpreters qualified to interpret in victim services
- Organizations that lack financial resources to pay for interpretation services

At this time, we cannot provide sign language services in the following settings:

- Law enforcement including initial response and victim interview
- Prosecution and courts
- Health care including forensic exams

How to Apply

If your organization is interested in receiving interpretation services from Activating Change, you will need to submit an online application. **Activating Change will begin accepting applications on Tuesday, June 13 and applications are due by Friday, July 7.**

We will release the application via email and our social media, so be sure to [follow us](#) to stay up to date with our announcements.

Attend Our Informational Webinar

Sign Language Interpretation Service Informational Webinar

Tuesday, June 13  
3:00-4:30 p.m. ET

Esther Fass and Nancy Smith will provide an overview of Activating Change's new remote sign language interpretation service for victim service providers. They will cover who is eligible to receive services, how the service works, and the technology providers need to connect with interpreters remotely. They will also provide information on how to apply and review important dates. In addition, you will be able to ask Esther and Nancy questions about participating in the service and the application process.

Register [here](#)

**21. \*\*\*OVW Fiscal Year 2023 Training and Technical Assistance Initiative Solicitation –**

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 existing 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.

Grants.gov deadline: July 11, 2023 11:59 PM ET

JustGrants deadline: July 13, 2023 9:00 PM ET

To view the solicitation, visit [here](#).

**22. \*\*\*BJA FY 23 The Price of Justice: Rethinking the Consequences of Fines and Fees –**

With this solicitation, BJA seeks to fund a training and technical assistance provider (TTA), to work in partnership with five states, local, and/or tribal criminal justice agencies or systems ("jurisdictions") to address the use of fines and fees and ensure they are being imposed in a constitutional and nondiscriminatory way. The provider will work with sites to address common barriers to creating a more equitable justice system by addressing how sites use and apply fines and fees.

Grants.gov deadline: July 6, 2023 8:59 PM ET

JustGrants deadline: July 18, 2023 8:59 PM ET

To view the solicitation, visit [here](#).

**23. \*\*\*Support for 988 Tribal Response Cooperative Agreements –**

The purpose of these cooperative agreements is to provide resources to improve response to 988 contacts (including calls, chats, and texts) originating in Tribal communities and/or activated by American Indians/Alaska Natives. With this program, SAMHSA aims to: (1) ensure American Indians/Alaska Natives have access to culturally competent, trained 988 crisis center support through existing and/or new 988 Lifeline centers; (2) improve integration and support of 988 crisis centers, Tribal nations, and Tribal organizations to ensure there is navigation and follow-up care; and (3) facilitate collaborations with Tribal, state and territory health providers, Urban Indian Organizations, law enforcement, and other first responders in a manner which respects Tribal sovereignty.

Grants.gov deadline: July 18, 2023

To view the solicitation, visit [here](#).

**24. \*\*\*Affordable Connectivity Outreach Grant Program – Tribal Competitive Outreach Program (TCOP) Round 2 –**

TCOP provides funding for outreach activities to increase awareness of and encourage participation in the ACP for households on Tribal Lands. This new funding opportunity for TCOP is intended to provide additional funding beyond the outreach-targeted grant awards announced by the Commission in March 2023. Additional outreach grant funding will allow targeted eligible entities to receive grant awards to conduct this necessary outreach to increase participation among those Americans most in need of affordable connectivity.

Grants.gov deadline: July 31, 2023 11:59 PM ET

To view the solicitation, visit [here](#).

**25. \*\*\*OJJDP FY 2023 Juvenile Justice Emergency Planning Demonstration Program for Juvenile Justice Residential Facilities –**

With this solicitation, OJJDP seeks to support emergency planning for state, local, and Tribal juvenile justice residential facilities. For youth that reside in residential facilities it is crucial that applicants plan for and facilitate continued meaningful engagement with family and other supportive members of their community. Applicants

are encouraged to ensure that these activities and strategies are prioritized in any emergency planning effort. Examples of ways that applicants could partner with youth and families includes establishing or utilizing an existing advisory group that includes family members of and/or youth that are currently or have previously been housed in the facility. These members could be involved in the drafting and reviewing of existing and new emergency planning procedures, to include evacuation strategies, and plans to ensure ongoing notification and communication procedures.

Grants.gov deadline: July 24, 2023 11:59 PM ET

JustGrants deadline: August 7, 2023 8:59 PM ET

To view the solicitation, visit [here](#).

## **26. \*\*\*(deadline extended) OVW Fiscal Year 2023 Special Tribal Criminal Jurisdiction Grant Program – Solicitation**

This program is authorized by the Indian Civil Rights Act of 1968 (codified as amended at 25 U.S.C. § 1304(h)(2)). The OVW Special Tribal Criminal Jurisdiction Grant Program (Tribal Jurisdiction Program) (CFDA# 16.025) supports tribes in their efforts exercise special Tribal criminal jurisdiction (STCJ) over non-Indians who commit “covered crimes” within the Tribe’s jurisdictional boundaries and provides technical assistance for planning and implementing changes in their criminal justice systems necessary to exercise the jurisdiction. “Covered crimes” are limited to assault of Tribal justice personnel; child violence; dating violence; domestic violence; obstruction of justice; sexual violence; sex trafficking; stalking; and violation of a protection order. Grant recipients are committed to exercising the jurisdiction to ensure that victims find safety and justice and that non-Indians who commit covered crimes within their jurisdiction are held accountable.

### **New This Year**

In the Violence Against Women Act Reauthorization Act of 2022 (VAWA 2022), Congress recognized the inherent authority of Tribes to exercise STCJ over non-Indians who commit an expanded set of “covered crimes.” In addition to domestic violence, dating violence, and violation of certain protection orders, these “covered crimes” now include: assault of tribal justice personnel (without requirement that victim be Indian), child violence, obstruction of justice (without requirement that victim be Indian or connection to covered crime), sexual violence, sex trafficking, and stalking. VAWA 2022 amended the statutory provisions governing the Tribal Jurisdiction Program to enable grantees to address all covered crimes.

### **Important Dates and Information**

To submit an application, all applicants must register online with the System for Award Management (SAM) and with Grants.gov. To ensure sufficient time to complete the registration process, applicants should register online with SAM and with Grants.gov immediately, but no later than April 20, 2023.

Contact: [OVW.TribalJurisdiction@usdoj.gov](mailto:OVW.TribalJurisdiction@usdoj.gov) or 202-307-6026

Grants.gov deadline: August 15, 2023 11:59 PM ET

JustGrants deadline: August, 17 2023 9:00 PM ET

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### **Upcoming Events**

Advocate Check In Calls – Every Second Thursday of the Month - 10:00am EST

Tribal Trafficking/MMIP Work Group – Every Other Third Thursday of the Month – 1:00pm EST

For more information about any upcoming events, reach out to UTFAV Training Coordinator at [vpatzwald@utfav.org](mailto:vpatzwald@utfav.org)