

**Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention**  
**Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice**



**Tribal Youth Program**

**Program Announcement**

**FY 2000**

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**Fiscal Year 2000  
Tribal Youth Program (TYP)  
Identifier Form**

This form must be submitted with your application.

**Tribal Applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Funding Category.** Please identify the category for which you are requesting funding.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Up to \$75,000 to cover a 3-year grant period (1,000 or fewer residents)\*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Up to \$100,000 to cover a 3-year grant period (1,001–5,000 residents)\*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Up to \$250,000 to cover a 3-year grant period (5,001–10,000 residents)\*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Up to \$500,000 to cover a 3-year period (10,001 or more residents)\*

\* For the purposes of this program, OJJDP is relying on the tribal service populations presented in the Bureau of Indian Affairs Indian Labor Force Report: Portrait 1997. This statistic includes nonmember Indians within the service population.

**Program Category.** Please identify one or more of the objectives that will be the focus of your application.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Reduce, control, and prevent crime and delinquency both by and against tribal youth.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Provide interventions for court-involved tribal youth.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Improve tribal juvenile justice systems.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Provide prevention programs focusing on alcohol and drugs.

## **Tribal Youth Program**

### **Purpose**

The purpose of the Tribal Youth Program (TYP) is to support and enhance tribal efforts for comprehensive delinquency prevention and control and for juvenile justice system improvement for Native American youth. This program announcement provides eligible federally recognized Indian tribes<sup>1</sup> the background information necessary to apply for Tribal Youth Program funds. The announcement defines eligibility and sets forth requirements for application and administration of funds made available to an eligible tribe, as set forth under Public Law 106–113 (November 17, 1999) for Tribal Youth Program discretionary grants.

### **Background**

TYP is part of a joint U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) and U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI) Indian Country Law Enforcement Initiative. The purpose of the Initiative is to address the compelling need to improve law enforcement and the administration of criminal and juvenile justice in Indian country. Many of the 1.4 million American Indians living on or near Indian lands do not receive even minimal law enforcement services. Indian communities face chronic underfunding for their justice systems, lack access to meaningful training for law enforcement and justice personnel, and have few comprehensive juvenile delinquency prevention, intervention, and sanction programs. Thus, while violent crime arrest rates have been declining throughout the United States, they continue to rise in Indian country. Of particular concern to tribes and the Federal Government is the increasing number of violent crimes committed by juveniles in Indian country.

At President Clinton's direction, DOJ and DOI are seeking to address these problems through the Indian Country Law Enforcement Initiative, to enhance Indian country law enforcement, and to improve the quality of life in tribal communities. In fiscal year 2000, nearly \$91.5 million in anticrime and delinquency prevention grants will be provided directly to Indian tribal governments through three Office of Justice Programs (OJP) bureaus and offices and DOJ's Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS). In addition to funding available through OJJDP's Tribal Youth Program, other areas of involvement are as follows: Bureau of Justice Assistance—tribal court development and enhancement; COPS—police officers, training and equipment; and Corrections Program Office—detention facility construction. Eligible applicants will receive additional information regarding other components of the Indian Country Law Enforcement Initiative through separate solicitations issued by the other bureaus and offices

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<sup>1</sup> Federally recognized Indian tribes include Alaska Native tribal governments. Under current law (Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2000), the term "Indian tribe," "tribal," or "tribe(s)" in OJP statutes means: "any Indian tribe, band, nation, or other organized group or community, including Alaska Native village or regional or village corporation as defined in or established pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act..., which is recognized as eligible for the special programs and services provided by the United States to Indians because of their status as Indians."

participating in the Initiative. Information is also available from the U.S. Department of Justice Response Center at 800-421-6770.

### **Authority**

The Fiscal Year 2000 Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2000, November 17, 1999 (Public Law 106-113), appropriated \$12.5 million to OJJDP to support and enhance tribal efforts for comprehensive delinquency prevention and control activities and for juvenile justice system improvement for American Indian youth. Of the \$12.5 million appropriated for TYP, OJJDP will use \$1.25 million to support program-related research, evaluation, and statistics; \$250,000 to provide training and technical assistance to tribal programs; and \$7.5 million for discretionary grants, with additional funds going to enhance other tribal efforts and program support.

### **Goal**

To improve the quality of life in tribal communities by addressing the problem of violent crime among American Indian youth.

### **Objectives**

- , **Reduce, control, and prevent crime and delinquency both by and against tribal youth.** Elements relevant to this objective include community needs assessments, risk factor identification, family strengthening, truancy reduction, dropout prevention, parenting, antigang education, conflict resolution, child abuse prevention, gang reduction strategies, youth gun violence reduction, and juvenile sex offender services.
- , **Provide interventions for court-involved tribal youth.** Elements relevant to this objective include graduated sanctions, restitution, diversion, home detention, foster and shelter care, community service, improved aftercare services, mental health services interventions (e.g., crisis intervention, screenings, counseling for suicidal behavior), and mentoring.
- , **Improve tribal juvenile justice systems.** Elements relevant to this objective include indigenous justice; training for juvenile court personnel, including judges and prosecutors; intake assessments; model tribal juvenile codes; advocacy programs; gender-specific programming; probation services; and aftercare programs.
- , **Provide prevention programs focusing on alcohol and drugs.** Elements relevant to this objective include case management, drug and alcohol education, drug testing, substance abuse counseling for juveniles and families, services for co-occurring substance abuse disorders, and training for treatment professionals.

## **Program Strategy**

The \$7.5 million available for the fiscal year 2000 Tribal Youth Program will be awarded through a competitive process. The funding ranges available under TYP are as follows:

<u>Total Indian Service Population On or Near Reservation<sup>2</sup></u>	<u>Funding Range</u>
1,000 or fewer residents	Up to \$75,000 to cover a grant period of 3 years
1,001–5,000 residents	Up to \$100,000 to cover a grant period of 3 years
5,001–10,000 residents	Up to \$250,000 to cover a grant period of 3 years
10,001 or more residents	Up to \$500,000 to cover a grant period of 3 years

Intertribal coalitions are encouraged, when appropriate. Funding will be for a 3-year period.

## **Eligibility Requirements**

Applications are invited from federally recognized tribes and those corporations representing Alaskan Native villages. Intertribal coalitions also are encouraged when appropriate. If partnering with another tribe, the applicant should submit a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the application. Additionally, where more than one tribe is applying in partnership, one tribe must be clearly indicated as the primary agency for correspondence, awards, and management purposes. When partnering with other tribes, applicants must identify a total service population in the application narrative. Tribes may contract for services with other organizations. However, only tribal governments or tribal organizations with the endorsement of the tribal government are eligible to apply for TYP funds.

## **Training and Technical Assistance**

Training and technical assistance (T/TA) will be available to tribal grantees to facilitate strategic planning, program enhancement, and implementation of TYP. The T/TA will be provided through American Indian Development Associates, Inc. (AIDA). Further information on T/TA will be provided to grantees after awards have been made.

## **Project Abstract**

Applications must include a one-page project abstract that provides the following information: (1) location of the project (city/county/State/reservation); (2) description of the setting (reservation,

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urban, or rural); (3) age(s) of target juveniles; (4) type of program, for example, prevention, afterschool, school-based, court-involved youth, year-round. A brief narrative should describe how the activities planned will address one or more of the objectives listed above.

### **Selection Criteria**

Tribes are encouraged to design programs that are culturally based and incorporate traditional practices, where appropriate. The roles of children, parents, and elders in individual tribal communities should be considered in the program design and explained in the context of the juvenile delinquency prevention, intervention, and system improvement activities being proposed. OJJDP encourages applicants to involve tribal youth in the planning and implementation of program activities. Based on the fact that all tribes are unique, OJJDP recognizes that there will be differences in applications based on approach, need, and regional perspectives (including urban and rural communities).

Applicants will be evaluated and rated by a peer review panel according to the criteria outlined below.

#### **Problem(s) To Be Addressed (20 points)**

The problem(s) to be addressed by the project is/are clearly stated.

#### **Goals and Objectives (20 points)**

The goals and objectives of the proposed project are clearly defined and the outcomes are measurable.

#### **Project Design (25 points)**

The project design is sound and contains program elements directly linked to the achievement of project objectives.

#### **Management and Organizational Capability (20 points)**

The project management and overall organizational capability demonstrate the applicant's capacity to successfully operate and support the project.

#### **Budget (15 points)**

Budgeted costs are reasonable, allowable, and cost effective for the activities proposed. Each applicant shall provide a detailed budget worksheet with the budget narrative for each year of the 3-year project period, including the basis for computation of all costs. Budgets should include travel to one OJJDP-sponsored national Tribal Youth Program meeting and one OJJDP-

sponsored Tribal Youth Program regional meeting each year. Budgets should include the purchase of a computer system with Internet access and e-mail capability, if one is not already available.

### **Format**

A program narrative, not to exceed 25 pages (excluding forms, assurances, and appendixes) must be submitted on 8½- by 11-inch paper, double spaced on one side of the paper in a standard 12-point font. The one-page project abstract must also be submitted on 8½- by 11-inch paper, double spaced on one side of the paper in a standard 12-point font. These standards are necessary to maintain fair and uniform standards among all applicants. If the narrative does not conform to these standards, OJJDP will deem the application ineligible for consideration.

### **Construction**

Construction costs are prohibited. However, costs incurred as an incidental and necessary part of a program and limited to renovation, remodeling, maintenance, and repair costs that do not constitute capital expenditures will be allowable but may not exceed 10 percent of total project costs.

### **Nonsupplanting Requirement**

Federal funds cannot be used to supplant State, local, or existing non-Federal tribal funds. The Federal funds must increase the amount of funds that would otherwise be available from State, local, and tribal sources.

### **Match**

There is no match requirement for this program.

### **Award Period**

This project will be funded for a 3-year project and budget period.

### **Award Amount**

Award amounts, which will be made available for a period of 3 years, will vary depending on the number of residents: 1,000 or fewer residents, up to \$75,000; 1,001–5,000 residents, up to \$100,000; 5,001–10,000 residents, up to \$250,000; 10,001 or more residents, up to \$500,000.

### **Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number**

For this program, the CFDA number, which is required on Standard Form 424, Application for

Federal Assistance, is 16.731. This form is included in the *OJJDP Application Kit*, which can be obtained by calling the Juvenile Justice Clearinghouse at 800-638-8736 or sending an e-mail request to [puborder@ncjrs.org](mailto:puborder@ncjrs.org). The *Application Kit* is also available online at [www.ojjdp.ncjrs.org/grants/about.html#kit](http://www.ojjdp.ncjrs.org/grants/about.html#kit).

### **Coordination of Federal Efforts**

To encourage better coordination among Federal agencies in addressing State, local, and tribal needs, the U.S. Department of Justice is requiring applicants to provide information on the following: (1) active Federal grant award(s) supporting this or related efforts, including awards from the U.S. Department of Justice; (2) any pending application(s) for Federal funds for this or related efforts; and (3) plans for coordinating any funds described in items (1) or (2) with the funding sought by this application. For each Federal award, applicants must include the program or project title, the Federal grantor agency, the amount of the award, and a brief description of its purpose.

The term “related efforts” is defined for these purposes as one of the following:

- , Efforts for the same purpose (i.e., the proposed award would supplement, expand, complement, or continue activities funded with other Federal grants).
- , Another phase or component of the same program or project (e.g., to implement a planning effort funded by other Federal funds or to provide a substance abuse treatment or education component within a criminal justice project).
- , Services of some kind (e.g., technical assistance, research, or evaluation) to the program or project described in the application.

### **Delivery Instructions**

All application packages must be mailed or delivered to the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, c/o Juvenile Justice Resource Center, 2277 Research Boulevard, Mail Stop 2K, Rockville, MD 20850; 301-519-5535. **Note:** *In the lower left-hand corner of the envelope, the applicant must clearly write “Tribal Youth Program.”*

### **Due Date**

Applicants are responsible for ensuring that the original and five copies of the application package are received by June 30, 2000.

### **Contact**

For further information, contact Chyrl Andrews, Acting Tribal Youth Program Manager, State

Relations and Assistance Division, 202–307–5924.

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