



# Fact Sheet

U.S. Department of Justice

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## Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation: Fiscal Year 2013

*“Through the Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation we have made it easier for Tribes to tap much-needed federal funding. We are making excellent progress in restoring a healthy government-to-government relationship with Tribal nations, but we are far from finished with our work.”* Acting Associate Attorney General Tony West

In Fiscal Year 2010 The Department of Justice launched the Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS), which encompassed most of the Department's available Tribal government-specific grant programs. Through CTAS the Department has awarded over \$346 million to hundreds of American Indian and Alaskan Native communities. The Tribes are using these funds to enhance law enforcement; bolster adult and juvenile justice systems; prevent and control juvenile delinquency; serve sexual assault, domestic violence, and elder victims; and support other efforts to combat crime.

In an effort to build on the success of CTAS in prior years, DOJ asked Tribes how to further refine and improve CTAS for FY 2013. These responses and suggestions were incorporated into the FY 2013 solicitation, which aims to be more user-friendly.

### **How is the FY 2013 CTAS similar to the prior year solicitations?**

This solicitation and application process will remain open for 90 days. The single application continues to include all available DOJ Tribal government-specific grant programs. The advantage of this coordinated process is that, when the Department reviews a Tribe's single application, it will have a better understanding of a Tribe's overall public safety needs. The grant-making components (the Office of Justice Programs (OJP), the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), and the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) will then coordinate and collaborate in making award decisions that address these needs on a more

comprehensive basis. Each Tribal government-specific competitive grant program is referred to as a “Purpose Area.” An applicant may select the Purpose Area(s) that best address its public safety, criminal and juvenile justice, and victimization needs. The DOJ grant-making components will make and administer multiple awards by Purpose Area, subject to available funding. *Please remember that Tribes or Tribal consortia may be eligible for other, non-Tribal specific DOJ grant funding opportunities and may submit a separate application to any grant programs for which they may be eligible.*

### **What changes were made to CTAS for Fiscal Year 2013?**

The Department made a few changes based on Tribal leaders and Tribal organizations input:

- The solicitation and application process is beginning earlier in the funding cycle by opening in late December, 2012.
- The question-and-answer templates have been coordinated across Purpose Areas to ensure more uniformity and cohesiveness.
- The strategic planning program has been updated so that it can serve as a mechanism for Tribes to more effectively access coordinated comprehensive funding.
- The removal of the OVW Tribal Sexual Assault Services Program.

## **Tribal Community & Justice Profile**

Before applying for funding, applicants should review their community, public safety and justice systems to help identify gaps in services that the grant programs can address. The following areas highlight what eligible tribes need to consider as a part of their FY 2013 CTAS Tribal Community & Justice Profile.

**Executive Summary:** The Executive Summary is designed for the Tribes to identify which DOJ Purpose Area(s) they will apply for and if more than one is selected, how they fit together to address the overall justice and safety needs.

**Tribal Narrative Profile:** This profile helps illustrate the specific characteristics of a Tribe, the community strengths, resources, challenges and needs.

**Demographic Form:** This section is designed to capture unique characteristics of each Tribe to help the Department and reviewers better understand each individual Tribe's needs. Important demographics to

include on this form are the Tribe's enrollment numbers; its current local population; the size of the reservation; the jurisdiction to be served; the unemployment rates; the crime victim services provided; the Tribe's governmental organizational structure; and the "remoteness" of the Tribe.

**Crime Data:** This section is designed to include data on the types of crimes common to the Tribe. If data is not available, anecdotal or alternative information about the problems identified is acceptable.

**Tribal Law Enforcement Information:** This data should illustrate the Tribe's current law enforcement capacity.

**Tribal Facilities, Capacities and Capabilities:** This section focuses on the Tribe's telecommunications technology, as well as the numbers of existing facilities such as courthouses, police stations, jails, treatment facilities, and emergency shelters.

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### **FY 2013 Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation Purpose Areas**

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| 1. Public safety and community policing (COPS Tribal Resources Hiring Grant Program and Tribal Resources Grant Equipment/Training), CFDA #16.710                       |
| 2. Comprehensive Tribal Justice System Strategic Planning (OJP/BJA), CFDA #16.608  |
| 3. Justice systems, and alcohol and substance abuse (OJP/BJA—Tribal Courts Assistance Program and Indian Alcohol and Substance Abuse Prevention Program), CFDA #16.608 |
| 4. Corrections and correctional alternatives (OJP/BJA—Correctional Systems and Correctional Alternatives on Tribal Lands Program), CFDA #16.596                        |
| 5. Violence Against Women (OVW—Tribal Governments Program – Tribal Governments Program), CFDA #16.587  |
| 6. Victims of Crime (OJP/OVC—Children's Justice Act Partnerships for Indian Communities), CFDA #16.582   |
| 7. Victims of Crime (OJP/OVC- Comprehensive Tribal Victim Assistance Program), CFDA#16.528   |
| 8. Juvenile Justice (OJP/OJJDP—Tribal Juvenile Accountability Discretionary Program), CFDA #16.731   |
| 9. Tribal Youth Program (OJP/OJJDP—Tribal Youth Program – TYP), CFDA #16.731   |

### **To apply for CTAS or other DOJ grants**

To apply for CTAS please visit [www.justice.gov/tribal/open-sol.html](http://www.justice.gov/tribal/open-sol.html). For other DOJ resources and information please visit DOJ's dedicated Tribal Justice and Safety web site ([www.justice.gov/tribal/](http://www.justice.gov/tribal/)) or resources government-wide visit ([www.Grants.gov](http://www.Grants.gov)).

For CTAS application assistance, contact the Response Center at 1-800-421-6770 or send an email to [tribalgrants@usdoj.gov](mailto:tribalgrants@usdoj.gov). **The deadline for submitting applications in response to this grant announcement is 9:00 p.m. EST on Tuesday, March 19, 2013.**