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CURRENT NEWS

THE OFFICE FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME (OVC) WELCOMES KRISTINA ROSE AS ITS NEW DIRECTOR

OVC is pleased to announce Kristina Rose as the new Director of OVC, where she oversees programs and services that support crime victims and survivors. Ms. Rose was appointed to this position by President Joe Biden and sworn in on July 12, 2021. Before her appointment, Ms. Rose spent nearly 20 years at the U.S. Department of Justice serving in numerous roles, including Deputy Director at OVC, Acting Director and Deputy Director for the National Institute of Justice, and the Chief of Staff for the Office on Violence Against Women. Learn more [here](#).



OVC'S 2022 NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMS' SERVICE AWARD NOMINATIONS

Submit your nominations for OVC's National Crime Victims' Service Awards. Each year, OVC recognizes individuals, teams, programs, and organizations for their outstanding contributions to the victim services field and unwavering support for victims. National Crime Victims' Service Award recipients are selected from 12 award categories and honored at an awards ceremony during National Crime Victims' Rights Week (NCVRW). OVC will commemorate NCVRW from April 24 to April 30, 2022.

Learn more [here](#). **Deadline:** Monday, August 2, 2021



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CURRENT NEWS CONTINUED

SAVE THE DATE: 17TH NATIONAL INDIAN NATIONS CONFERENCE

The National Indian Nations Conference brings together a wide range of providers, stakeholders, and victims of crime to share their knowledge and develop programs to serve the unique needs of American Indians and Alaska Natives. The 17th National Indian Nations: Justice for Victims of Crime Conference is tentatively scheduled for March 22–25, 2022, on the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians Reservation in California. This conference will focus on American Indian and Alaska Native crime victims and provide

training for victim service providers, law enforcement officials, prosecutors, judges, medical and mental health professionals, social workers, and victim advocates at the Tribal, federal, state, and local levels. Registration information is forthcoming. Learn more [here](#).



16TH ANNUAL OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN (OVW) GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT TRIBAL CONSULTATION

OVW is inviting Tribal Leaders to attend the virtual four-day Tribal Consultation to discuss administering Tribal Jurisdiction Program funds, strengthening the federal response to enhance the safety of Indian women from domestic and dating violence, sexual assault, homicide, stalking, and sex trafficking, and improving access to crime information databases.

Find more information or register [here](#). Dates: Tuesday-Friday, August 17-20, 2021

2021 FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION & SERVICES ACT (FVPSA) GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION

The Family and Youth Services Bureau, Family Violence Prevention and Services Program is inviting all Tribal Leaders to attend the virtual Government-to-Government Consultation, a two-day virtual meeting to build meaningful relationships with federally recognized Tribes receiving FVPSA funding by engaging in open, continuous, and meaningful consultation. The FVPSA Program is inviting Tribal leaders to provide verbal and written testimony on the allocation of FVPSA grant awards for Tribes. The FVPSA Program will also invite Tribal leaders to give verbal and written testimony on establishing a minimum grant award of \$55,000 for each Tribe that applies for FVPSA funding.

Find more information or register [here](#). Dates: Wednesday-Thursday, September 8-9, 2021 from 2pm to 5pm ET



APPLY FOR THE THE TRIBAL ACCESS PROGRAM (TAP)

Submit your application for TAP. The U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) launched TAP in August 2015 to provide Tribes access to national crime information systems for federally authorized criminal and non-criminal purposes. TAP allows federally-recognized Tribes to more effectively serve and protect their nation's citizens by ensuring the exchange of critical data across the

Criminal Justice Information Services systems and other national crime information systems. TAP is hosting several repeated TAP Overview webinars on the following dates:

- August 2, 13, & 19, 2021 from 3pm to 4pm ET
- August 12, & 17, 2021 from 4pm to 5pm ET

Tribes interested in attending a webinar can email TAP.App@usdoj.gov. Learn more and access the application [here](#). Deadline: Tuesday, August 31, 2021

RESOURCES



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE (DV) BROCHURES

The Mending the Sacred Hoop Technical Assistance Project designed 8 DV Tactics brochures. Each brochure illustrates a tactic from the Power and Control Wheel. Readers learn how Power and Control plays like intimidation, isolation, emotional abuse, economic abuse, or using children might look in a relationship. Each DV Tactic brochure also has a corresponding Equality brochure, which illustrates the opposite behavior in a healthy relationship, including respect, trust and support, and honesty and accountability. Access the brochures [here](#).

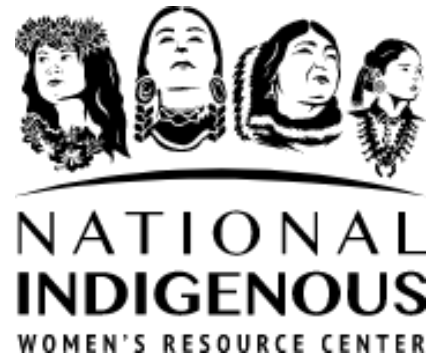


CREATING SISTER SPACE: A GUIDE FOR DEVELOPING TRIBAL SHELTER AND TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAMS

This guide, published by Red Wind Consulting, assists Tribal and Native specific programs in the development of their shelter and transitional housing program. Shelter and transitional housing is an important response to safety and provides options for women seeking safety following domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, or dating violence. Indigenous identity shapes what a shelter or transitional housing program looks like in Tribal communities. Access the guide [here](#).

NATIONAL INDIGENOUS WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER'S (NIWRC'S) ADVOCACY CURRICULUM

The role of an advocate is challenging, multi-faceted, and sometimes overwhelming. NIWRC created this curriculum to support Tribal programs in their efforts to provide advocacy and safety for survivors and make changes to end violence by embracing Indigenous culture. This curriculum provides comprehensive information that programs can use for team building, professional development, public education, and cross-training initiatives. Learn more and request access to the curriculum [here](#).



AUGUST IS BYSTANDER AWARENESS MONTH

Domestic violence and sexual assault persists, in part, due to a lack of knowledge and silence.

Bystanders can use their voice to effectively respond and intervene when they see abuse.

"If we all view ourselves as engaged bystanders and learn strategies for speaking up to challenge the social norms that contribute to the culture of violence, all of us can play an active role in ending domestic violence and sexual assault."*

*The NO MORE Project. (n.d.). Bystander tips and scenarios. NO MORE. Retrieved July 20, 2021, from <https://nomore.org/learn/bystander-scenarios/>



SPECIAL FEATURE RESOURCES



BYSTANDER INTERVENTION TIPS AND STRATEGIES

The National Sexual Violence Resource Center (NSVRC) released a tip sheet explaining the importance of engaged bystanders and includes strategies on how to intervene. An engaged bystander is someone who lives up to the responsibility of intervening before, during, or after a situation when they see or hear behaviors that threaten, harass, or otherwise encourage abuse or violence. Access the tip sheet [here](#).

THE NO MORE PROJECT: BYSTANDER RESOURCES AND SUPPORT

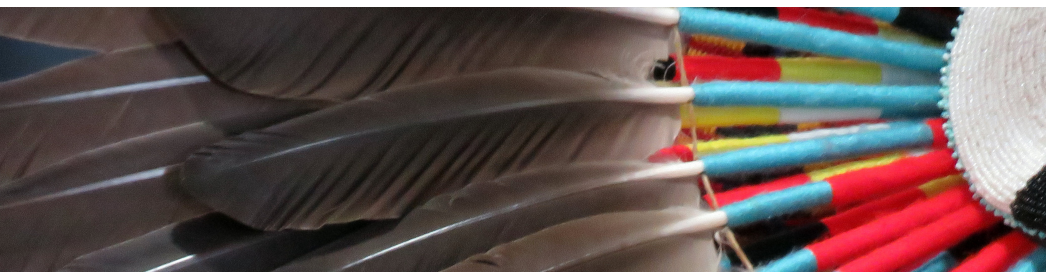
This webpage provides information on intervening, real-life bystander scenarios, and additional online resources on engaged bystanders. Advocates and community members can use the resources found on No More's website to learn about bystander intervention and how to effectively respond to situations involving domestic violence or sexual assault. Learn more [here](#).



IT'S ON US: BYSTANDER INTERVENTION TOOLS

It's On Us has grown into the nation's largest nonprofit program dedicated to college sexual assault awareness and survivor support activating students on hundreds of campuses in awareness and education programs. It's On Us created free resources that are easy to implement and adapt to different communities. They developed each educational tool based on direct feedback and needs addressed by students and drawn from the most up-to-date research and best practices. Educational tools related to bystander intervention and survivor support include presentations on bystander education and survivor support, fact sheets, tips for ensuring culturally relevant training, and guides explaining various ways to advocate for survivors and intervene to stop abuse and violence. Access the tools [here](#).

TRAINING AND EVENTS



ASK THE EXPERT: UNDERSTANDING ADDICTION AND IMPLICIT BIAS

Join this webinar hosted by the National Criminal Justice Training Center of Fox Valley Technical College (NCJTC) for a facilitated discussion and open forum with subject matter experts who will answer practical questions regarding working with implicit biases. Previous webinars helped lay the foundation to understanding addiction, mental health, and breaking down associated stigmas. NCJTC recommends that registrants review these previous webinars if they were unable to attend them live. Links to the previous webinars are available here:

- [Intro to Neurobiology of Addiction](#),
- [Neurobiology of Addiction - Beyond the Basics](#)
- [Co-Occurring Disorders Simplified](#).

Find more information or register [here](#). Date: Wednesday, August 4, 2021 from 2pm-3:30pm ET

PROGRAM MANAGEMENT AND LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP

From NCJTC, this course is designed to equip managers and leaders with practical skills and best practices to effectively manage a program. Participants will learn how managing successful grant projects and programs involves applying effective leadership strategies to improve team development, promote emotional intelligence and open communication techniques, and guide staff through change and conflict. This course will provide targeted training for managers of OVC Tribal Victim Services grant projects. The first and third weeks of the course will include 4-hour, live online, lecture-based sessions. The second and fourth weeks will provide self-review resources, live discussion board interaction, and a live, 1-hour "ask the expert" session.

Find more information or register [here](#). Dates: Wednesday, August 4 & 18, 2021 from 12pm to 4pm ET and Wednesday, August 11 & 25, 2021 from 12pm-1pm ET

CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN CONFERENCE 2021

The Dallas Children's Advocacy Center annually sponsors the Crimes Against Children Conference to provide training to those employed in the fields of law enforcement, child protective services, social work, children's advocacy, therapy, and medicine who work directly with child victims of crime. This virtual three-day training opportunity provides practical and interactive instruction to effectively fight crimes against children and help children heal. Registrants will have access to hundreds of on-demand training sessions from August 9, 2021 until December 17, 2021.

Find more information or register [here](#). Dates: Monday-Thursday, August 9-12, 2021 from 8am to 5pm ET

VIRTUAL MEETINGS HOSTED BY YOUR TTA PROVIDERS



NCJTC'S MONTHLY OVC GRANTEE FORUM – VIRTUAL MEETING: ADDRESSING TRAUMA IN YOUTH

Join this group discussion on how Tribal communities are addressing trauma in youth while serving victims of crime. Trauma and exposure to violence can limit children's potential to thrive in school and increases their likelihood of developing a substance abuse disorder, suffer from depression, anxiety, and posttraumatic stress disorder.

Find more information or register [here](#). Date: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 from 12pm to 1pm ET

UNIFIED'S AUGUST COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE VIRTUAL GATHERING: A CIRCLE OF HEALING FOR NATIVE CHILDREN ENDANGERED BY DRUGS

August's Community of Practice will provide examples of culturally relevant responses for traumatized children in Tribal communities across the Nation. Join subject matter experts and fellow grantee programs to learn more about effectively supporting children endangered by drugs and crime in your community.

Find more information or register [here](#). Date: Tuesday, August 24, 2021 from 2pm to 3:30pm ET

TRAINING AND EVENTS CONTINUED

COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE, SAFETY PLANNING WORKSHOPS: WISÁWCA PROJECT, ENOUGH IS ENOUGH

The Wisáwca Project is an initiative that helps people create their own personal safety plan to ensure they do everything in their power to make it home. Hosted by NCJTC, these workshops will provide participants the opportunity to engage with Kola Shippentower-Thompson, the Wisáwca Project's creator, to develop safety plans. The training on August 12, 2021 is specific to safety efforts for domestic violence, sexual assault, and missing persons advocates and survivors. The training on August 31, 2021 is specific to safety efforts for families with children.

Find more information or register [here](#). Date: Thursday, August 12, 2021 from 3pm to 4:30pm ET

Find more information or register [here](#). Date: Tuesday, August 31, 2021 from 3pm to 4:30pm ET



MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM (MDT) RESPONSE TO CHILD SEX TRAFFICKING (CST) ONLINE

Hosted by NCJTC, this team-based four-day training will guide existing MDTs in improving their response to child sex trafficking and assist those who seek to establish a formal MDT in their communities to respond more effectively to CST cases. Subject matter experts will work with teams to identify gaps and develop short and long-term response plans. To attend this training, you must be part of an MDT and your team members must attend with you.

Find more information or register [here](#). Dates: Monday-Thursday, August 16-19, 2021 from 10am to 1pm and 2pm to 5pm ET



ASK THE EXPERT SERIES: PREVENTING VICARIOUS TRAUMA

Hosted by NCJTC, this webinar will define vicarious trauma, review contributing factors to vicarious trauma, and provide strategies to stay healthy while providing victim services. Subject matter experts will also facilitate an in-depth discussion and question and answer session to deepen participants' understanding of vicarious trauma.

Find more information or register [here](#). Date: Tuesday, August 17, 2021 from 2pm to 3pm ET

TRAINING AND EVENTS CONTINUED



CHILD ABUSE: FROM SUSPICION TO DISCLOSURE

Attend this webinar hosted by NCJTC to learn effective approaches with children who are alleged victims of child abuse in the initial phases of a case after a concern has been identified. Participants will develop the skills and techniques necessary to engage a child in such a way as to minimize suggestibility but still provide support. The webinar will also review best practices in identifying a concern and learning to engage these children in a way that maximizes positive case outcomes and minimizes potential behaviors that can hurt cases.

Find more information or register [here](#). Date: Wednesday, August 18, 2021 from 12pm to 7pm ET

RESTORATIVE JUSTICE SYMPOSIUM

This virtual symposium from the Pennsylvania Office of Victim Advocate will examine restorative justice principles and practices and explore community trauma and community healing. Restorative justice is a collaborative approach to repairing the harm caused by crime. Approaches often include facilitated discussions between those who caused harm and the victims and communities who suffered as a result of the harm.

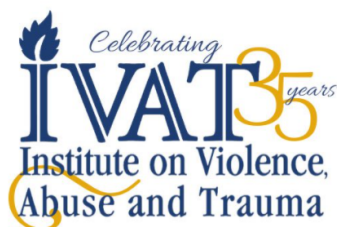
Find more information or register [here](#). Dates: Tuesday, August 24, 2021 from 9am to 3:30pm ET

CHILD SEX TRAFFICKING: FROM SUSPICION TO DISCLOSURE

This webinar, hosted by NCJTC, will teach strategies to enhance the likelihood of obtaining information from possible victims of child sex trafficking. Facilitators will compare and contrast typical child sexual abuse cases with child sex trafficking (CST) cases and address the different points of entry into the criminal justice and welfare system for CST victims. The webinar will also review various disciplines' roles and how they can contribute to a positive outcome of a CST case. Furthermore, participants will examine question strategy, interview dynamics, language use, and interview suggestions, and discuss the business model of child sex trafficking as it relates to a variety of crimes.



Find more information or register [here](#). Date: Tuesday, August 31, 2021 from 10am to 5pm ET



26TH SAN DIEGO INTERNATIONAL SUMMIT ON VIOLENCE, ABUSE & TRAUMA ACROSS THE LIFESPAN: EMPOWERING INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES, AND COMMUNITIES TO OVERCOME COLLECTIVE TRAUMA

The Institute on Violence, Abuse, and Trauma hosts this forum for professionals across all disciplines and philosophies to gather for an in-depth exchange of current information on all facets of violence, abuse and trauma awareness, intervention, and research. The Summit focuses on linking research, practice, policy, and advocacy to promote violence-free living for all. Registrants have the option to attend the Summit in-person in San Diego, CA, or virtually through the Zoom platform.

Find more information or register [here](#). Dates: Sunday-Wednesday, August 29-September 1, 2021 from 11am to 6pm ET

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES



NATIVE YOUTH AND CULTURE FUND GRANT OPPORTUNITY 2021

For more than 40 years, First Nations Development Institute has worked to strengthen American Indian economies to support healthy Native communities by investing in and creating innovative institutions and models that strengthen asset control and support economic development for American Indian people and their communities. This funding is available to programs providing youth opportunities that support the perpetuation of traditional ecological knowledge, spirituality, and the intergenerational transfer of knowledge systems, resulting in compassion, respect, dignity, reverence for nature, and care for each other and the Earth.

Learn more [here](#). Deadline: Thursday, August 19, 2021 at 7pm ET

URBAN INDIAN HEALTH INSTITUTE'S (UIHI'S) COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM

With support from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, UIHI created their Community Grants Program to enhance the evidence base of culturally rigorous chronic disease programs and public health infrastructure among urban Indian populations. For the 2021-2022 grant cycle, UIHI is offering Sage Grants and Sweetgrass Grants to programs addressing chronic disease. UIHI will award at least six Sage Grants of \$90,000-\$95,885 and up to four Sweetgrass Grants of \$10,000. Access a pre-application webinar recording about the Sage and Sweetgrass Grants [here](#).

Learn more [here](#). Deadline: Tuesday, August 31, 2021 at 2:59am ET



TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

OVC PROVIDES SEVERAL TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE (TTA) RESOURCES AT NO COST TO GRANTEEES

Programmatic TTA providers offer training, resources, and information to build grantees' capacity to develop and implement grant-funded victim service projects. Services include help with strategic planning, community needs assessments, policies and procedures, eLearning and in-person training, and much more. Contact your assigned Programmatic TTA provider for more information.

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Financial TTA builds grantees' capacity to administer federal grant funds by assisting with preparing budget modifications, creating financial policies and procedures, and answering general financial questions. Contact the OVC Tribal Financial Management Center (TFMC) for more information.

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