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# Fiscal Year 2023 Tribal Victim Services Set-Aside Solicitation Webinar Series

## **Phase 1:**

## **Submitting the Population Certification Form**

Thank you for joining. We will begin shortly.

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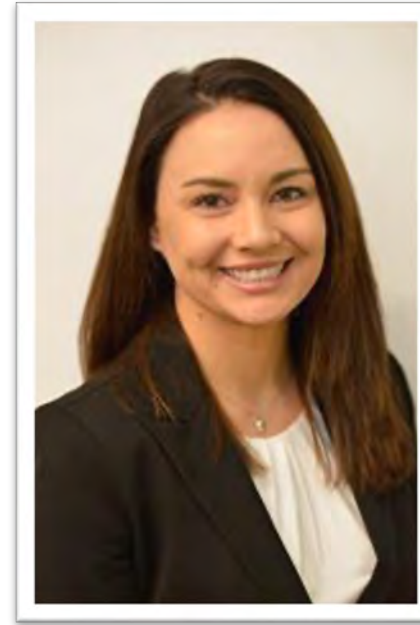


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# Welcome



**Katherine Darke Schmitt**  
Principal Deputy Director  
Office for Victims of Crime



**Jessica Andrew**  
Acting Deputy Director,  
Tribal Division  
Office for Victims of Crime

# Webinar Outline

OVC Overview and Mission

**FY2023 TVSSA Formula Grant Program  
Phase 1- Population Certification Process**

FY2023 TVSSA Formula Grant Program  
Phase 2 – What's Next?

Tools and Resources

Question and Answer

# What is the Office for Victims of Crime?

OVC is committed to enhancing the Nation's capacity to assist crime victims and to providing leadership in changing attitudes, policies, and practices to promote justice and healing for all victims of crime.

# Tribal Division Grant Award Programs

- Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS) Purpose Area 6: Children's Justice Act
- Developing Future Victim Specialists (DFVS) in American Indian and Alaska Native Communities
- Tribal Victim Services Set-Aside (TVSSA) Formula Program
- Project Beacon: Increasing Services for Urban American Indian and Alaska Native Victims of Sex Trafficking
- Microgrant Initiative
- Training and Technical Assistance (TTA) for Tribes



# Presenters



**Barbara "Bonnie" Robertson**  
Victim Justice Program Specialist  
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Senior Project Specialist  
(Contractor)  
T-VSTTA



**Lauren Smiley**  
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(Contractor)  
T-VSTTA

# Polling Question 1

Did you participate in the Tribal Victim Services Set-Aside Formula Grant Program in FY 2022 or years prior?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure





# Key Aspects of TVSSA

Funds are awarded annually using a noncompetitive administrative formula.

Grants may be awarded for (or extended to) a project period of up to 60 months.

TVSSA has a 2-phased application process.

There are 3 application options: An easy checklist, an interview with OVC, or a traditional project narrative.

# Award Amount

**Amounts per Tribe will be determined by a population-based formula:**

**Total amount anticipated to be awarded under solicitation: Est. \$80 million**

**Period of Performance start date:** January 1, 2024

**Period of Performance duration:** up to 5 years (60 months)



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# FY 2023 TVSSA Application Process

**Submission of the  
Population Certification  
Due: February 17, 2023**

**Submission of the Full  
Application into JustGrants  
and Grants.gov  
Due: May 2023**



Let's pause  
for questions.

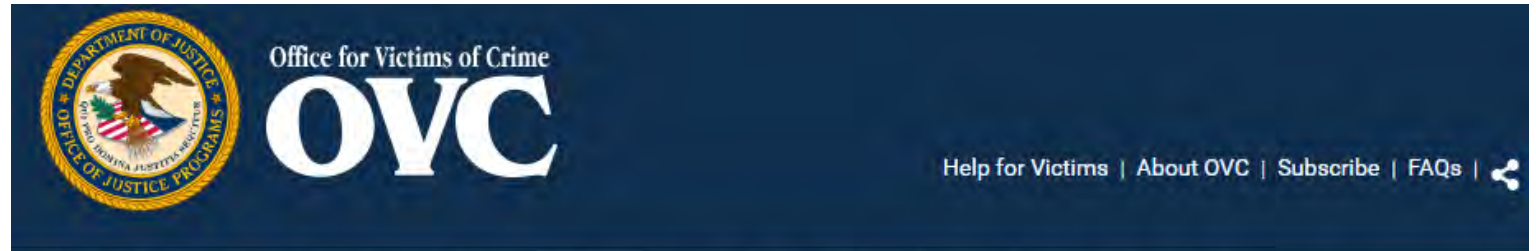


# Phase 1 - Population Certification Form



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# Where to Find the Population Certification Form?



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## American Indian & Alaska Native Victim Services Resources

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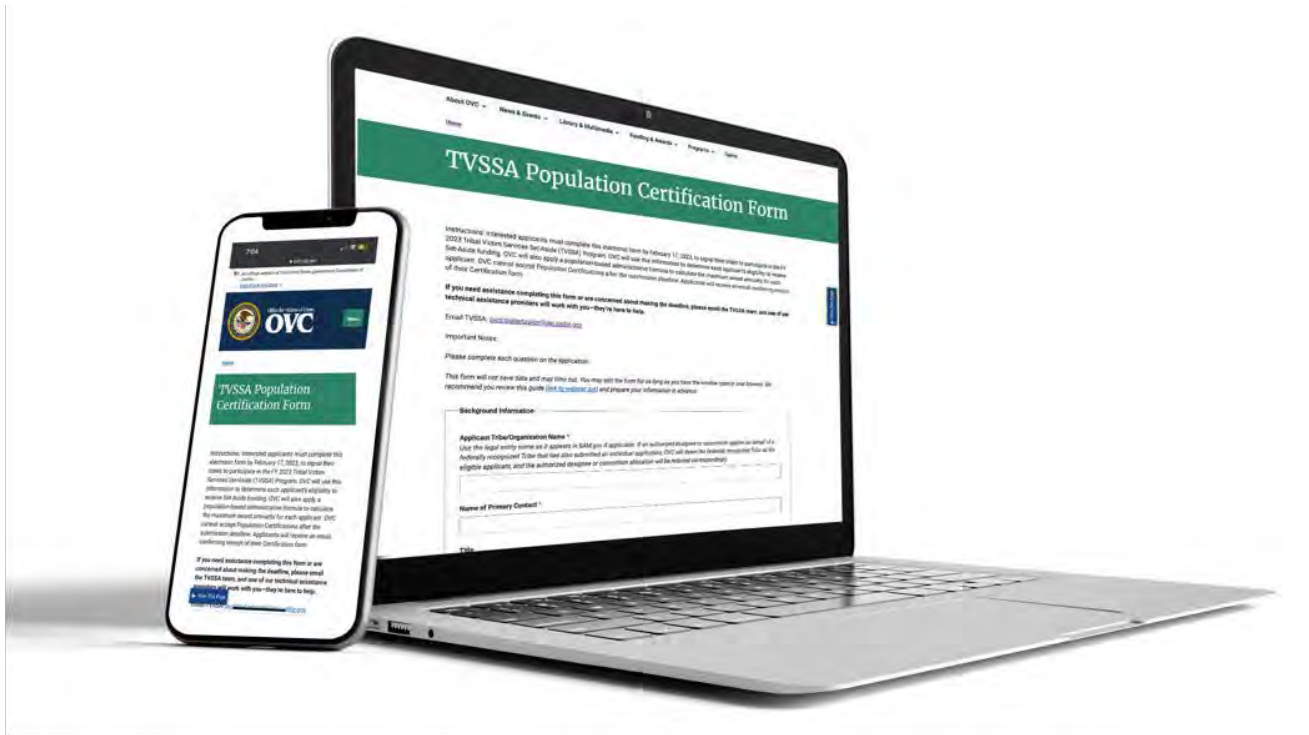
### Tribal Victim Services Set-Aside [🔗](#)

In 2021, Congress authorized set-aside funds from the Crime Victims Fund for a tribal victim services set-aside program which will provide support to tribal communities to enhance services for victims of crime, consistent with the requirements of the Victims of Crime Act. OVC is charged by Congress with administering the Crime Victims Fund.

[Overview](#)

[OVC Support for Tribal Communities](#)

# This Year, We've Gone Digital



Complete the new digital submission form from any device.

Need help connecting? Contact our team, and we'll help you fill it out.

# Entity Background Information

Add the name of the entity and two people within your entity who can serve as points of contact.

Please make sure it is entered as it appears in SAM.gov

**Background Information**

**Applicant Tribe/Organization Name \***  
*Use the legal entity name as it appears in SAM.gov if applicable. If an authorized designee or consortium applies on behalf of a federally recognized Tribe that has also submitted an individual application, OVC will deem the federally recognized Tribe as the eligible applicant, and the authorized designee or consortium allocation will be reduced correspondingly.*

**Name of Primary Contact \***  
*This is the person filling out the form.*

**Title**

**Email Address \***

**Phone Number \***

**Name of Secondary Contact \***

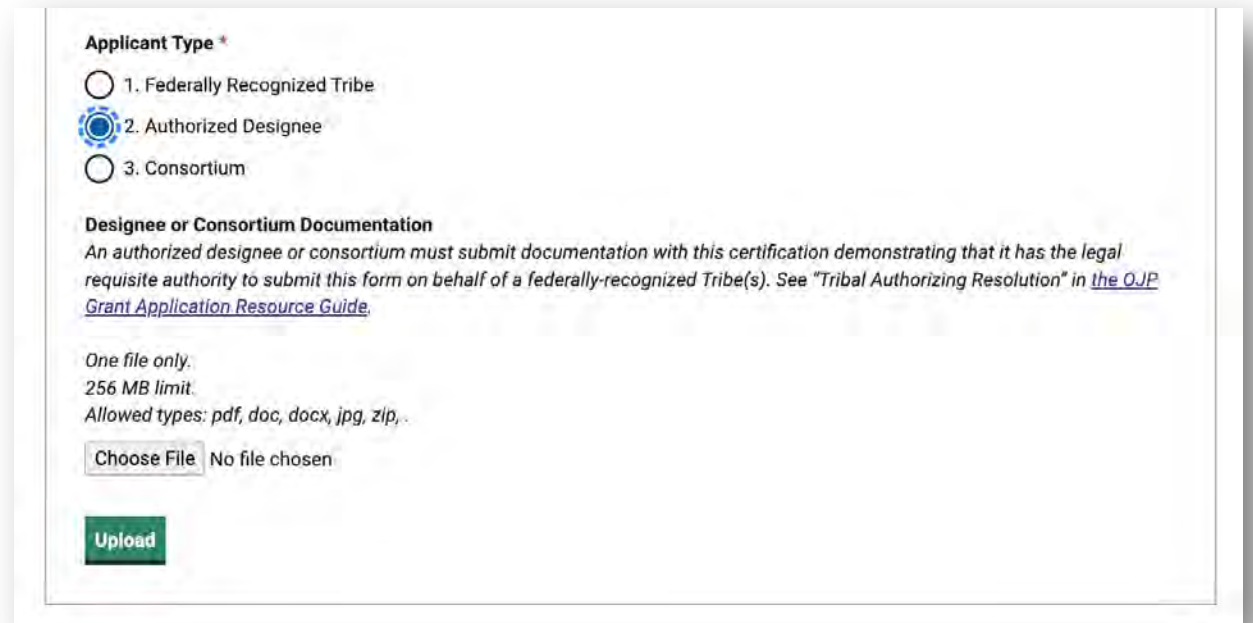


# Applicant Type and Documentation

Select the applicant type. If you choose Authorized Designee or Consortium, you will be prompted to upload documentation.

If you have more than one file, create a zipped folder.

Uploads are limited to 256 MBs, if your file exceeds that size, email [OVCtribalsetaside@ojp.usdoj.gov](mailto:OVCtribalsetaside@ojp.usdoj.gov) to make arrangements to submit documentation.



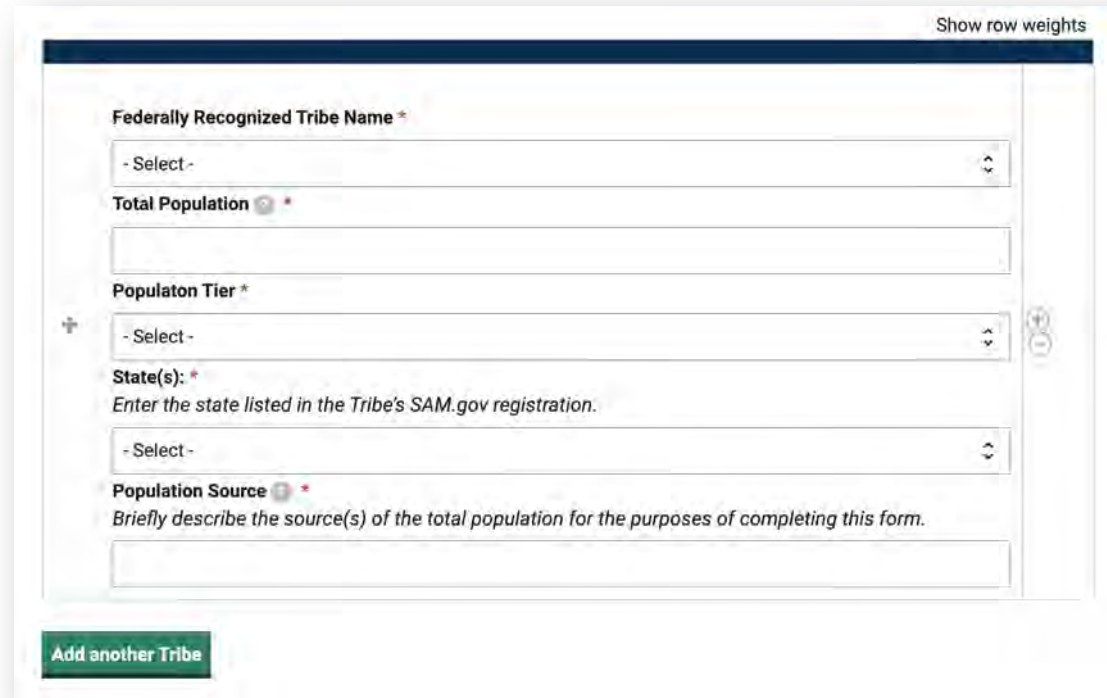
The screenshot shows a web form titled "Applicant Type \*". It contains three radio button options: "1. Federally Recognized Tribe", "2. Authorized Designee" (which is selected), and "3. Consortium". Below these options is a section titled "Designee or Consortium Documentation" with a note: "An authorized designee or consortium must submit documentation with this certification demonstrating that it has the legal requisite authority to submit this form on behalf of a federally-recognized Tribe(s). See 'Tribal Authorizing Resolution' in the [OJP Grant Application Resource Guide](#)." Underneath, it specifies "One file only.", "256 MB limit.", and "Allowed types: pdf, doc, docx, jpg, zip,.". At the bottom of this section is a "Choose File" button and the text "No file chosen". A green "Upload" button is located at the bottom left of the form area.

# Your Population Data

OVC recommends using one of the following as the source of population data (but we will accept others).

- Tribal resident population
- Tribal enrollment
- Service population

Note: You can add as many tribes as you need to your submission, just click on the add another tribe button.



The screenshot shows a web form titled "Show row weights" in the top right corner. The form contains several fields:

- Federally Recognized Tribe Name \***: A dropdown menu with "- Select -" as the current selection.
- Total Population \***: A text input field.
- Population Tier \***: A dropdown menu with "- Select -" as the current selection.
- State(s) \***: A dropdown menu with "- Select -" as the current selection. Below it is a small instruction: "Enter the state listed in the Tribe's SAM.gov registration."
- Population Source \***: A text input field with a small instruction: "Briefly describe the source(s) of the total population for the purposes of completing this form."

At the bottom of the form is a green button labeled "Add another Tribe".

# Certify and Submit

Add the certifying official's contact information, review all your answers carefully, and submit.

## Certification

By entering my information below, and by submitting this certification on behalf of the applicant named above, and in support of its application, I certify to the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC), U.S. Department of Justice, under penalty of perjury, that—

- (1) all of the information provided in the Population Certification (including the population data set out in this form) is true and correct;
- (2) I have the authority to make this certification on behalf of the applicant (that is, the entity applying directly to OVC);
- (3) the applicant has the authority to apply for this grant program, and provide the population data provided herein, on behalf of each tribe for which the applicant applies;
- (4) the applicant will keep on file (see 2 C.F.R. 200.333, generally requiring retention of records for 3 years after grant closeout), and available for inspection or audit, documentation substantiating the population data provided herein (e.g., data sets used, or correspondence from the relevant tribal enrollment official(s) and tribal chair(s), resolution(s), etc. providing or confirming such data);
- (5) I understand that OVC will rely on this certification as a material representation in any decision to make an award to the applicant entity, and
- (6) in the event that, during pre-application review, OVC becomes aware of a reason to question the population data certified herein for the tribe(s), or the certifying authority, the applicant understands and agrees that OVC may (without further notice prior to the OVC action) deny this application (or, for consortia applicants, that tribe's allocation), or use alternative data for that tribe(s) for the FY23 formula calculation.
- (7) I understand and acknowledge that a materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement (or concealment or omission of a material fact) in this certification may be the subject of criminal prosecution, civil penalty, and/or administrative remedies (see 18 U.S.C. §§ 1001, 1621; 34 U.S.C. §§ 10271-10273; 31 U.S.C. §§ 3729-3730, 3801-3812).

Date of Certification \*

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Name of Certifying Official: \*

Title of Certifying Official: \*

Official Email of Certifying Official \*

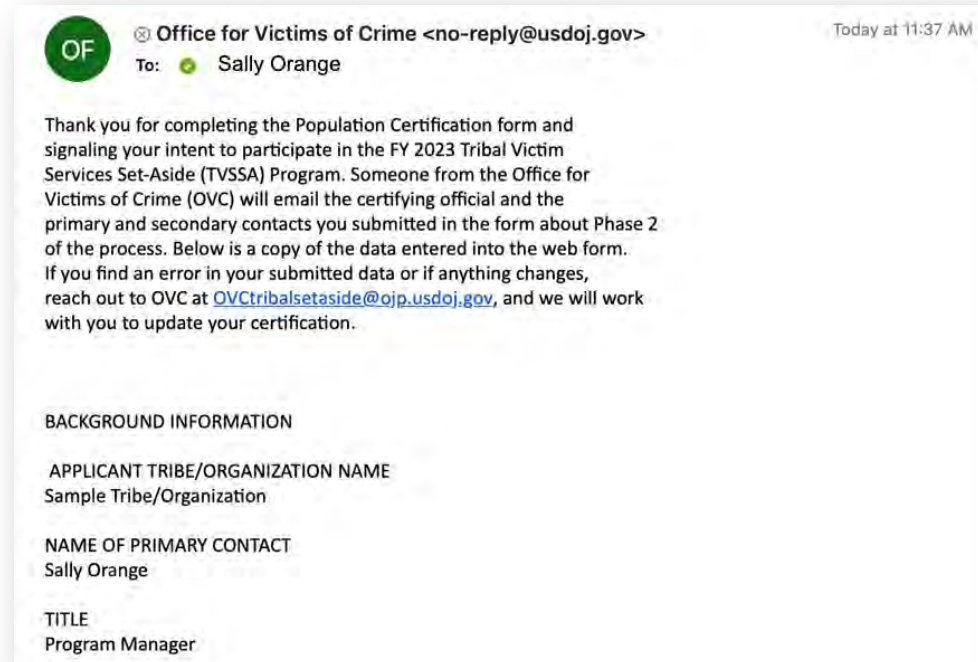


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# Receipt

After you submit your certification, the submitter and both contacts will receive an email with the form answers and submitted documents.

If you find incorrect information, submit another form by the submission deadline. We'll use the most recent version and email the points of contact to confirm.



# Need Help Navigating Population Certification?

- Email OVC at [OVCtribalsetaside@ojp.usdoj.gov](mailto:OVCtribalsetaside@ojp.usdoj.gov) with questions about how the Set-Aside works.
- Email the T-VSTTA team for help with the application process at [contact@ovc-htcbc.org](mailto:contact@ovc-htcbc.org)
- Attend office hours, occurring each Tuesday for the next two weeks:
  - 1/24, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., eastern time
  - 1/31, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., eastern time

Links to Zoom office hours are in the chat—no need to RSVP. Just drop in at a time that works for you.





Let's pause  
for questions.



# What Happens Next?

- OVC will allocate a proportion of the total TVSSA funds to provide a base amount to each tribe.
- Upon receipt of all population certificates, OVC will adjust the “base” amount depending on the number of tribes that apply.
- Funding amounts will be posted on the OVC Tribal Victim Services Set-Aside webpage.
- An email will be sent to the **certifying official** regarding Phase 2, and the applicant will be invited to submit a full application under a subsequent solicitation to be released later in 2023.

# Get to Know T-VSTTA



OVC created the Tribal Victim Services Training and Technical Assistance (T-VSTTA) program to provide resources for American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) communities serving victims and survivors of crime.

Our no-cost support helps grantees and potential grantees navigate administrative requirements and increase their capacity to walk alongside victims and survivors of crime in their healing journey.



# Meet the Team

Over 100 years of combined experience in capacity building, victim services, program management, and AI/AN community support.



**Elsie Boudreau**



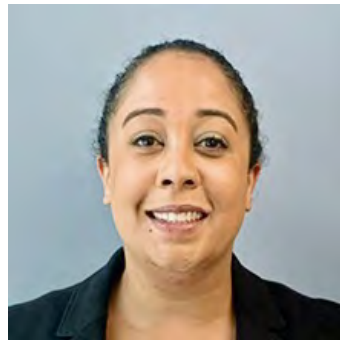
**Amy Filko**



**Sheree Hukill**



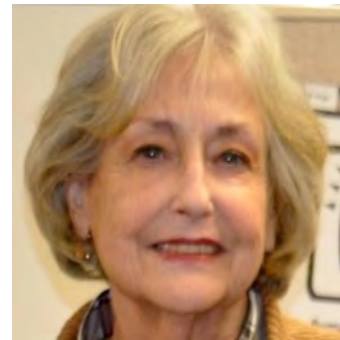
**Melissa Lopez**



**Susannah Numa**



**Ashley Pina**



**Linda Self**



**Lauren Smiley**



**Shannon Swimmer**

# Additional Resources



The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) website. On the left is the OVC logo, which includes the Department of Justice seal and the text 'Office for Victims of Crime' and 'OVC'. To the right of the logo are links for 'Help for Victims', 'About OVC', 'Subscribe', and 'FAQs'. A search bar is located on the right side of the navigation bar. Below the navigation bar is a horizontal menu with dropdown arrows for 'About OVC', 'News & Events', 'Library & Multimedia', 'Funding & Awards', 'Programs', and 'Topics'. The main content area features a breadcrumb trail: 'Home / [American Indian & Alaska Native Victim Services Resources](#)'. Below the breadcrumb trail is a large, semi-transparent grey box with the text 'American Indian & Alaska Native Victim Services Resources' in a large, black, serif font.

**Visit OVC's dedicated Tribal website for up-to-date information:**

- Webinars and Current Funding Opportunities;
- Fact Sheets and Frequently Asked Questions;
- Publications; and more.

# Other Funding Opportunities

## Three Great Places to Look:

1. Grants.Gov: <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html>
2. OVC Website: <https://ovc.ojp.gov/funding/current-funding-opportunities>
3. Office of Justice Programs Website:  
<https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/CurrentFundingOpportunities.htm>



# Grants Supporting Justice for Children

## CTAS Solicitation - Children's Justice Act Partnership for Indian Communities (PA 6)

**Goal:** Improves the investigation, prosecution, and handling of cases of criminal child abuse and neglect, and particularly child sexual abuse cases.

**Serves:** child victims of crime

**Closing Date:** March 28, 2023

**Solicitation Link:** <https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/O-BJA-2023-171471.pdf>



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# Key Takeaways

- Any federally recognized Tribe, Authorized Designee, or Consortia is eligible to apply for TVSSA, even if they currently have other DOJ grants—or have had them in the past.
- If you applied in FY 2022, you could resubmit the Population Certification form if the data are still accurate.
- The Population Certification must be submitted no later than **11:59 p.m., Alaska Time Friday, February 17, 2023.**
- The **certifying official** and **the primary contact** will receive an email about Phase 2.
- Project start dates begin on January 1, 2024.



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# TVSSA Specific Webinars





**Reminder: The deadline to submit your Population Certification is 11:59 PM, Alaska Time, Friday, February 17, 2023.**