December 13, 2021

Dear Tribal Leader:

The U.S. Department of Justice’s Office of Justice Programs (OJP), Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) invites you to participate in a Consultation on the Tribal Set-Aside from the Crime Victims Fund (Tribal Set-Aside) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 from 2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m., EST on January 13 and January 14, 2022. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, OVC has determined that it would be best to host this event virtually, using an online meeting platform. We believe that this decision can help us safeguard the health and safety of all who plan to participate.

The Consultation will focus on the outcomes for the FY 2021 Tribal Set-Aside Victim Services Formula Grant Program, and the potential expansion of the allowable use of grant award funds to support construction projects in future FYs, and possible enhancements to the grant application process in FY 2022. OVC has created a report on the administration of the FY 2021 Tribal Set-Aside and a framing paper, which provides relevant background information on proposed changes to the administration of the FY 2022 Tribal Set-Aside. It includes questions for tribal leaders’ consideration when preparing their testimony for the upcoming Consultation. OVC has posted the report and the framing paper online on our TVSSA page.

Please register for the Consultation on January 13, 2022 and/or January 14, 2022. If you are unable to join us for the Consultation, we strongly encourage you to submit written testimony to OVC at ovctribalsetaside@usdoj.gov by 11:59 p.m., EST on February 4, 2022. If you have questions or concerns about the Consultation or the Tribal Set-Aside Program, please submit them to ovctribalsetaside@usdoj.gov.

We look forward to seeing and hearing from you next month.

Sincerely,

Kristina Rose
Director