

OJJDP

TRIBAL INITIATIVES



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OJJDP's Tribal Youth Programs and Services funds programs, training, and technical assistance that help Tribal communities address victimization and delinquency among youth, and improve their juvenile justice systems.

Funding

Between fiscal years 2017 and 2023, OJJDP awarded over \$88.3 million to help improve outcomes for Tribal youth.

OJJDP participates in the Justice Department's Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS), which allows any of the 574 federally recognized Tribes to submit a single application for most of the Department's Tribal grant programs. OJJDP supports two purpose areas within the CTAS solicitation—the Tribal Youth Program and Tribal Youth Healing to Wellness Courts Program.

Programs

Tribal Youth Program

The Tribal Youth Program helps American Indian and Alaska Native communities improve their juvenile justice systems and implement prevention, intervention, and treatment approaches that benefit youth. OJJDP designed the funding to be flexible to accommodate each Tribe's unique culture, needs, and capacities.

Tribal Youth Healing to Wellness Courts Program

This program helps participating courts develop or strengthen policies, procedures, and services that address underage drinking and substance misuse.

The courts often combine judicial intervention with Tribal values to treat youth.

Training and Technical Assistance

[Tribal Youth Resource Center](#) – The center, supported by the [Tribal Law and Policy Institute](#), provides federally recognized Tribes with training and technical assistance (TTA) on several topics including culturally based approaches to prevention and intervention, program implementation, evaluation, and trauma-informed care, and more.

The institute and their partner, the National Native Children's Trauma Center, provide TTA to OJJDP Tribal grantees and all federally recognized Tribes to increase Tribal communities' knowledge about programs, building capacity to develop effective and sustainable programs for reducing justice-involved youth and increasing youth potential in Tribal communities.

[The Resource Basket](#) – This resource provides TTA to OJJDP Tribal grantees in Alaska. The Resource Basket, is supported by the Alaska Native Youth Training and Technical Assistance Project (FY22–FY25), and is a program of the Rural Alaska Community Action Program, Inc. Its mission is to help rural communities support healthy, successful, and culturally connected Alaska Native youth.

Learn more about OJJDP's programs for Tribal youth at [OJJDP.ojp.gov/programs/tribal-youth-programs-and-services](https://ojjdp.ojp.gov/programs/tribal-youth-programs-and-services).



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