



The [U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs' Bureau of Justice Assistance](#) is pleased to announce that it is seeking applications for funding under the Construction of Correctional Facilities on Tribal Lands Discretionary Grant Program. This program will further the Department's efforts to assist tribes in developing effective strategies to cost effectively plan facilities associated with the incarceration and rehabilitation of juvenile and adult offenders subject to tribal jurisdiction.

Planning Correctional Facilities on Tribal Lands Training and Technical Assistance Program Competitive Grant Announcement

Eligibility

Applicants are limited to tribal and non-tribal for-profit (commercial) organizations, non-profit organizations, faith-based and community organizations, institutions of higher learning, and consortiums with demonstrated national level experience in working with tribal representatives to plan and construct correctional facilities that serve local and regional needs.

(See "Eligibility," page 1)

Deadline

All applications are due by 8:00 p.m. e.t. on August 20, 2007.

(See "Deadline: Applications," page 1)

Contact Information

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This application must be submitted through Grants.gov. For technical assistance with submitting the application, call the Grants.gov Customer Support Hotline at 1-800-518-4726.

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Planning Correctional Facilities on Tribal Lands Training and Technical Assistance Program CFDA #16.596

Overview of the Planning Correctional Facilities on Tribal Lands Training and Technical Assistance Program

The Planning Correctional Facilities on Tribal Lands Training and Technical Assistance Program will assist tribes in developing strategies to cost effectively plan facilities associated with the incarceration and rehabilitation of juvenile and adult offenders subject to tribal jurisdiction. This program is authorized under the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994, Title II, Subtitle A, Public Law 103-322, 105 Stat. 1796, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 13701 et seq.

Deadline: Registration

Registering with Grants.gov is a one-time process; however, if you are a first-time registrant, it could take up to several weeks to have your registration validated and confirmed and to receive your user password. It is highly recommended you start the registration process as early as possible to prevent delays in submitting your application package to our agency by the deadline specified. There are three steps that you must complete before you are able to register: 1) register with Central Contractor Registry (CCR), 2) register yourself as an Authorized Organization Representative (AOR), and 3) be authorized as an AOR in your organization. For more information, go to www.grants.gov/. **Note: Your CCR registration must be renewed once a year. Failure to renew your CCR registration will prohibit submission of a grant application through Grants.gov.**

Deadline: Applications

The due date for applying for funding under this announcement is 8:00 p.m. e.t. on August 20, 2007.

Eligibility

Tribal and non-tribal for-profit (commercial) organizations, non-profit organizations, faith-based and community organizations, institutions of higher learning, and consortiums with both demonstrated national- level and onsite experience in working with tribal representatives to plan and construct correctional facilities that serve local and regional needs are eligible to apply. For-profit organizations must agree to waive any profit or fees for services.

Under this solicitation, applicants may submit only one application; they cannot submit an individual application and be part of a consortium that has submitted a separate application. For applications submitted by a consortium, one organization must serve as the applicant agency and written authorization from each consortium member must be included with the submission.

Faith-Based and Other Community Organizations

Consistent with President George W. Bush's Executive Order 13279, dated December 12, 2002, and 28 C.F.R. Part 38, it is Department of Justice (DOJ) policy that faith-based and other community organizations that statutorily qualify as eligible applicants under DOJ programs are invited and encouraged to apply for assistance awards to fund eligible grant activities. Faith-based and other community organizations will be considered for awards on the same basis as other eligible applicants and, if they receive assistance awards, will be treated on an equal basis with all other grantees in the administration of such awards. No eligible applicant or grantee will be discriminated for or against on the basis of its religious character or affiliation, religious name, or the religious composition of its board of directors or persons working in the organization.

Faith-based organizations receiving DOJ assistance awards retain their independence and do not lose or have to modify their religious identity (e.g., removing religious symbols) to receive assistance awards. DOJ grant funds, however, may not be used to fund any inherently religious activity, such as prayer or worship. Inherently religious activity is permissible, although it cannot occur during an activity funded with DOJ grant funds; rather, such religious activity must be separate in time or place from the DOJ-funded program. Further, participation in such activity by individuals receiving services must be voluntary. Programs funded by DOJ are not permitted to discriminate in the provision of services on the basis of a beneficiary's religion.

Applicants are encouraged to review the Civil Rights Compliance section under Additional Requirements in this announcement.

Planning Correctional Facilities on Tribal Lands Training and Technical Assistance Program-Specific Information

All awards are subject to the availability of appropriated funds and any modifications or additional requirements that may be imposed by law.

The training and technical assistance provider will be required to:

- Develop and deliver planning curricula for tribal representatives:
 - Establishing/enhancing (tribal/non-tribal) multi-agency cooperation and collaborations.
 - Conducting communitywide assessments to ensure that community-based resources/efforts are used effectively and that new or expanded facilities are developed only when warranted.
 - Developing a comprehensive master plan that encompasses the design, use, capacity, and cost of adult and/or juvenile justice sanctions and services.
 - Exploring a range of correctional building options including prototypical or quasi-prototypical concepts/designs for local correctional facilities, multi-service centers, and regional facilities.
 - Applying community-based alternatives to help control and prevent jail overcrowding due to problems involving alcohol, substance abuse, and methamphetamine.
- Provide logistical support for up to six Office of Justice Programs (OJP)/Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) events that focus on planning correctional facilities on tribal lands. Logistical support includes agenda production, meeting facilitation, and providing travel and accommodation support for tribal participants not having access to federal grant resources.

- Develop and deliver not less than 10 training/briefing sessions on an *ad hoc* BJA-assigned basis. Trainings/briefings include OJP/BJA staff orientations and special presentations and workshops at DOJ-, OJP- and BJA-sponsored national, regional, and local events.
- Develop and maintain a distance-learning technical assistance capacity to complement classroom training, as appropriate.
- Develop and disseminate written materials that support and complement the training sessions. No less than two new publications, determined in conjunction with BJA, must be produced and disseminated during the grant period.
- Support OJP's Tribal Justice and Safety web site by establishing and maintaining a section dedicated to assisting tribes effectively plan facilities associated with the incarceration and rehabilitation of juvenile and adult offenders subject to tribal jurisdiction.

Priority Consideration

The Department recognizes the critical role of planning in establishing tribal correctional facilities that are appropriate for the intended population, supportive of cultural and traditional values, safe and secure when completed, and adhere to current Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) standards regarding correctional operations, programs, and design. Priority consideration will be given to applicants that demonstrate:

- Substantial experience working with tribes to plan facilities associated with the incarceration and rehabilitation of juvenile and adult offenders subject to tribal jurisdiction.
- Substantial experience in developing comprehensive master plans that encompass community need, the design, use, capacity, and cost of adult and juvenile justice sanctions and services.
- An understanding of detention and correctional building options including prototypical or quasi-prototypical concepts/designs for tribal correctional facilities, multi-service centers, and regional facilities.
- A history of working effectively with tribal officials, tribal project managers, the BIA, the National Institute of Corrections, and other federal agencies.
- An ability to develop curricula and modify training and technical assistance delivery to meet specific needs of tribal communities.
- Access to an established cadre of criminal justice professionals with substantial experience in Indian Country who can execute tasks associated with this program.
- An operational readiness within 90 days of the award.

Amount and Length of Award

One cooperative agreement for up to \$1,000,000 will be awarded for a project period of 30 months.

Performance Measures

To assist in fulfilling the Department’s responsibilities under the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA), Pub. L. 103-62, the applicant who receives funding under this solicitation must provide data that measures the results of their work. Performance measures for this solicitation are as follows:

Program Goals	Performance Measures	Data Grantee Provides
<p>To enhance tribal strategies to cost efficiently plan correctional facilities associated with the incarceration and rehabilitation of juvenile and adult offenders.</p>	<p>Percent of post-training evaluations demonstrating self-reported improvement in planning correctional facilities.</p>	<p>During the reporting period, the number of individuals completing both pre- and post-training course evaluations that demonstrate self-reported improved understanding and planning abilities.</p> <p>During the reporting period, the number of individuals completing both pre- and post-training course evaluations that did <u>NOT</u> demonstrate self-reported improved understanding and planning abilities.</p> <p>During the current reporting period, the number of tribes trained or receiving technical assistance through the program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of technical assistance events. • Number of training/briefing sessions conducted. • Number of individuals trained.

How To Apply

DOJ is participating in the e-Government initiative, one of 25 initiatives included in the President’s Management Agenda. Part of this initiative—Grants.gov—is a “one-stop storefront” that provides a unified process for all customers of federal grants to find funding opportunities and apply for funding.

Grants.gov Instructions: Complete instructions can be found at www.grants.gov. If you experience difficulties at any point during this process, please call the Grants.gov Customer Support Hotline at **1-800-518-4726**.

CFDA Number: The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for this solicitation is 16.596, titled “Correctional Grant Program for Indian Tribes,” and the funding opportunity number is BJA 2007-1650.

A DUNS number is required: The Office of Management and Budget requires that all businesses and nonprofit applicants for federal funds include a DUNS (Data Universal Numeric

System) number in their application for a new award or renewal of an award. Applications without a DUNS number are incomplete. A DUNS number is a unique nine-digit sequence recognized as the universal standard for identifying and keeping track of entities receiving federal funds. The identifier is used for tracking purposes and to validate address and point of contact information. The DUNS number will be used throughout the grant life cycle. Obtaining a DUNS number is a free, simple, one-time activity. Obtain one by calling 1-866-705-5711 or by applying online at www.dunandbradstreet.com. Individuals are exempt from this requirement.

What an Application Must Include

Standard Form 424

Program Narrative (Attachment 1)

Applicants must submit a program narrative that describes the proposed activities for the grant period and responds to the below Selection Criteria in the order given. The narrative should be double-spaced, using a standard 12-point font (Times New Roman preferred) with 1-inch margins, and must not exceed 20 pages. Please number pages "1 of 20," "2 of 20," etc.

Budget and Budget Narrative (Attachment 2)

Applicants must provide a budget that is complete, allowable, and cost effective. Applicants must submit a budget worksheet and budget narrative in one file. A fillable budget detail worksheet form is available on OJP's web site at www.ojp.usdoj.gov/Forms/budget_fillable.pdf.

Project Timeline, Resumes, and Letters of Support (Attachment 3)

Attach a project timeline with each task, expected completion date, and responsible person or organization; resumes for key positions; and letters of support that outline the partners' responsibilities (if applicable).

Selection Criteria

1. Statement of the Problem (15 points)

Demonstrate a thorough understanding of the issues confronting corrections in Indian Country and the planning elements tribal jurisdictions should address to meet their individual needs, including communitywide assessments, a facility development process, planning team development/decision-making, mission statement development, incorporation of additional space for programs and services, new facility staffing and training, direct supervision, site evaluation, and development of policies, guidelines, and procedures.

2. Program Design and Implementation (20 points)

Describe the structure and implementation of delivering all the training and technical assistance activities requested (see page 2). Include a project timeline (see Attachment 3).

3. Capabilities/Competencies (35 points)

Describe the management structure, staffing, and in-house or contracted capacity to complete each of the potential tasks or projects outlined. Address the Priority Considerations (see pages 2 -3). Provide information that illustrates the ability to manage complex activities (both type and expertise) effectively. Clearly outline the organization's ability to conduct the individual activities and the organization's and staff's experience in delivering training and technical assistance to tribal representatives to plan and construct correctional facilities that serve local and regional needs.

4. Budget (15 points)

Provide a budget that is complete, allowable, and cost effective (see Attachment 2).

5. Impact/Outcomes and Evaluation (15 points)

Describe the process for measuring project performance, including meeting timelines and deliverables, as well as obtaining input and feedback from customers and stakeholders. Identify who will collect corrections data, who is responsible for performance measurement, and how the information will be used to guide the program.

Review Process

All applications will be peer reviewed. The BJA Director will then make award recommendations to OJP's Assistant Attorney General, who will make final determinations.

Additional Requirements

- Civil Rights compliance.
- Confidentiality and Human Subjects Protections regulations.
- Anti-Lobbying Act.
- Financial and Government Audit requirements.
- National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) compliance.
- DOJ Information Technology Standards.
- Single Point of Contact Review.
- Non-Supplanting of State or Local Funds.
- Criminal Penalty for False Statements.
- Compliance with Office of the Comptroller *Financial Guide*.
- Suspension or Termination of Funding.

We strongly encourage you to review the information pertaining to these additional requirements prior to submitting your application. Additional information for each can be found at www.ojp.usdoj.gov/funding/otherrequirements.htm.