Strengthening Tribal Response to Violence Against Native Women

This initiative - **Strengthening Tribal Response to Violence Against Native Women** - provides training, technical assistance and resources designed to help individual tribal governments and tribal communities enhance victim safety and more effectively address offender accountability.

Capacity building training and technical assistance support are available to any tribal government or tribal community not currently receiving Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) grant funding. Initiative partners provide individualized training, technical assistance and resources to strengthen the response of tribal governments to effectively address sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking.

Initiative training, technical assistance, and resources will focus on:

- Legal response—tribal protection orders
- Coordinated Community Response (CCR)
- Shelter and safe housing

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**Initiative Partners**

- **Tribal Law and Policy Institute**
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  The Tribal Law and Policy Institute (TLPI) is a Native American operated non-profit corporation organized to design and deliver education, research, training, and technical assistance programs which promote the enhancement of justice in Indian country and health, well-being, and culture of Native peoples.

- **Tribal Judicial Institute (TJI)**
  www.law.und.edu/n pilc/TJI

- **Alliance of Tribal Coalitions to End Violence (ATCEV)**
  www.ATCEV.org

- **Alaska Native Women’s Resource Center (AKNWRC)**
  www.AKNWRC.org

**Direct Service Providers:**

- Emmonak Women’s Shelter (Emmonak, Alaska)
  www.EmmonakShelter.org

- Native Alliance Against Violence (OK Coalition)
  www.OKNAAV.org

- Domestic Violence Program Seminole Nation (OK)
  www.sno-nsn.gov/services/dv

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Alaska Native Women’s Resource Center
Legal Response Focusing on Tribal Protection Orders
Initiative partners provide individualized training, technical assistance and resources designed to enhance victim services and assist tribal criminal justice systems to more effectively address victim safety and offender accountability including:

- Effective responses to domestic violence and sexual assault across jurisdictions
- Training on tribal protection orders including drafting, enforcing and full faith and credit

Coordinated Community Response
Initiative partners provide individualized training, technical assistance, and resources to design and implement a Coordinated Community Response (CCR) that addresses victim safety and offender accountability including:

- CCR planning, engagement, development and implementation
- Tribal Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) development and implementation
- Community & systems-based victim advocacy
- Community education and awareness

Shelter and Safe Housing
Initiative partners provide individualized training, technical assistance and resources designed to assist tribal governments and tribal communities strategize ways to access and sustain shelter or safe housing for victims fleeing violence.

Common Questions:
“*We are thinking about starting a Tribal Sexual Assault Response Team. What’s the first thing we need to do?*

“Our community lacks resources for accessing and sustaining shelter or safe housing for victims fleeing violence. Can you help us address this issue?”

“The state is not enforcing the protection orders issued by our tribal court because they say that our protection orders are not valid. Can you help us ensure that our protection orders are enforced by the state?”

Does your community need assistance with:

- Identifying gaps in your response to violence against Native women?
- Sustaining shelter/safe homes?
- Developing or revising your court forms for tribal protection orders?
- Building relations and coordination with existing systems and jurisdictions to ensure enforcement of tribal protection orders?

*We can help!*

Contact Us:

Email: TribalResponse@TLPI.org

Visit [www.TribalResponse.org](http://www.TribalResponse.org) now to learn more!

Features of the website include:

- Critical resources and tips for strengthening responses that prioritize victim safety & offender accountability
- Resources for tribal protection orders
- Critical resources for victim safety planning
- Resources to design and implement community education and awareness
- Information on community and systems-based victim advocacy
- Resources to increase tribal capacity to develop and sustain shelter and safe housing

Initiative Website

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