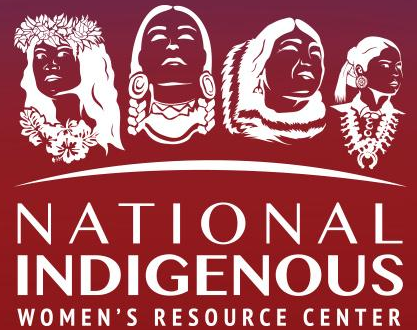


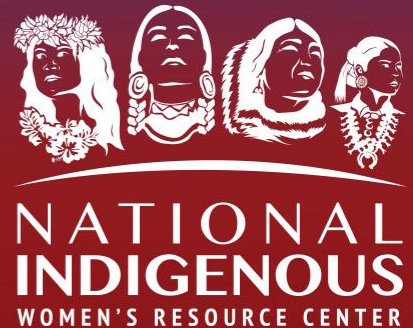
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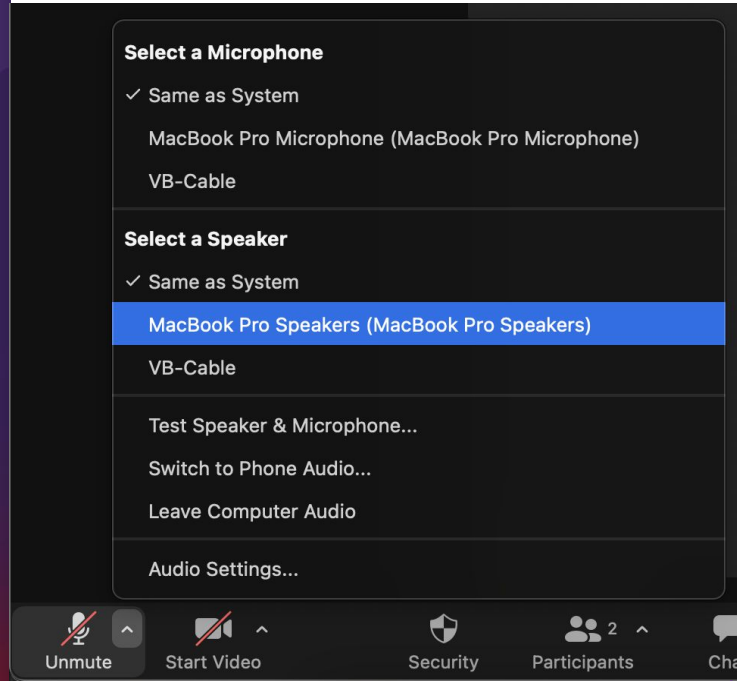
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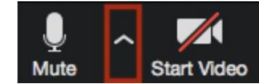
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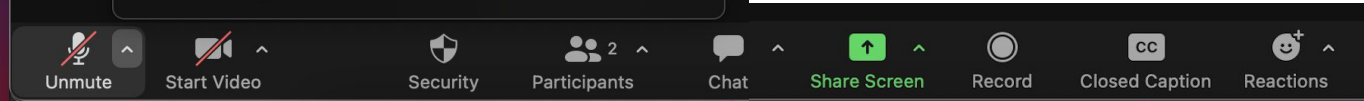
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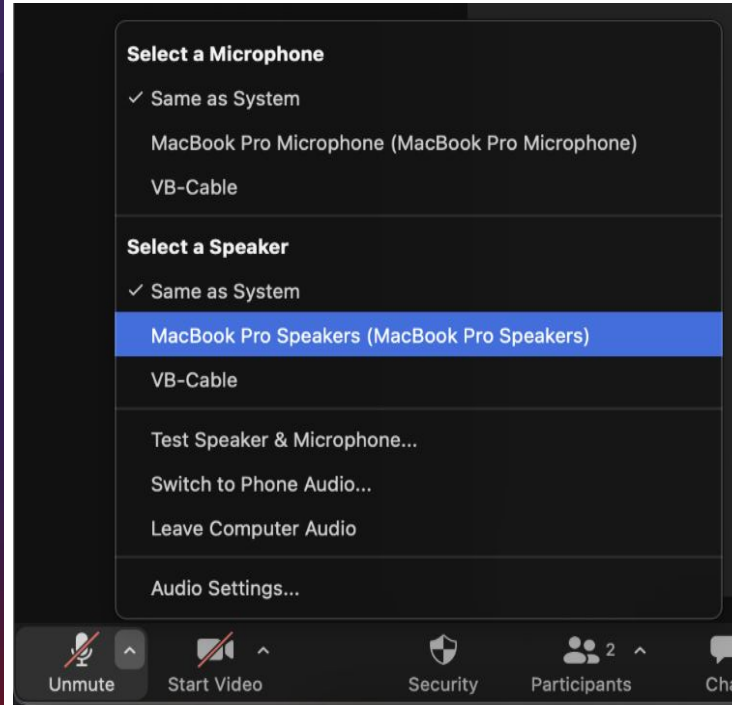
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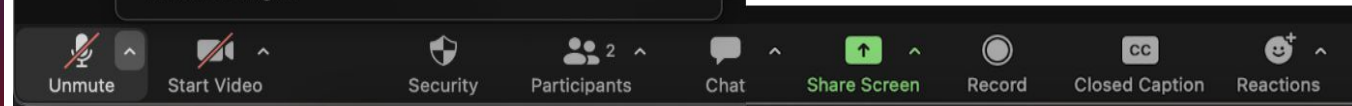
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- (i) offer a comprehensive array of technical assistance and training resources to Indian tribes and tribal organizations, specifically designed to enhance the capacity of the tribes and organizations to respond to domestic violence and the findings of section 901 of the Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005;
- (ii) enhance the intervention and prevention efforts of Indian tribes and tribal organizations to respond to domestic violence and increase the safety of Indian women in support of the purposes of section 902 of the Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005; and
- (iii) coordinate activities with other Federal agencies, offices, and grantees that address the needs of Indians (including Alaska Natives), and Native Hawaiians that experience domestic violence, including the Office of Justice Services at the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Indian Health Service of the Department of Health and Human Services, and the Office on Violence Against Women of the Department of Justice."

View

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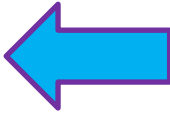
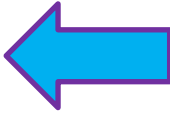
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When and
Where:

The 19th Annual Government-to-Government Violence Against Women Tribal Consultation

When: November 19-21, 2024

Where: Santa Fe, New Mexico
Hilton Santa Fe Buffalo Thunder

**Option for pre-recorded testimony available*

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Tribal Leader Invitation



U.S. Department of Justice

Office of the Associate Attorney General

Associate Attorney General

Washington, D.C. 20530

April 17, 2024

Dear Tribal Leader,

We are honored to invite your participation in the 19th Annual Government-to-Government Violence Against Women Tribal Consultation to be conducted in person November 19-21, 2024, at the Hilton Santa Fe Buffalo Thunder, Santa Fe, NM. The Department of Justice will be joined by other federal stakeholders, including our colleagues from the United States Departments of Health and Human Services and the Interior. We will conduct the tribal consultation over three full days.

Pursuant to 34 U.S.C. § 20126, the purpose of the Violence Against Women Tribal Consultation is to solicit recommendations from Tribal leaders on the following four topics:

- Administering tribal funds and programs;
- Enhancing the safety of Indian women from domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, homicide, stalking, and sex trafficking;
- Strengthening the federal response to such crimes; and
- Improving access to local, regional, state, and federal crime information databases and criminal justice information systems.

A copy of the 2023 Government-to-Government Violence Against Women Tribal Consultation Annual Report of Proceedings will be emailed to you this month and will also be posted on the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) website at: www.justice.gov/ovw/tribal-consultation. OVW will also email and post any consultation framing papers and briefing materials along with OVW's update report on the status of 2023 consultation recommendations. Logistical information about the tribal consultation and registration will be available soon at: www.ovwconsultation.org.

We look forward to seeing and hearing from you in November 2024. If you have questions about the Government-to-Government Violence Against Women Tribal Consultation, please contact OVW's Deputy Director for Tribal Affairs, Sherriann Moore at: Sherriann.Moore@usdoj.gov or (202) 307-6026.

Sincerely,

Benjamin C. Mizer
Acting Associate Attorney General

- The Tribal Leader Letter was sent out on April 17, 2024
- It is available on the consultation website: ovwconsultation.org

Purpose of the VAW Tribal Consultation

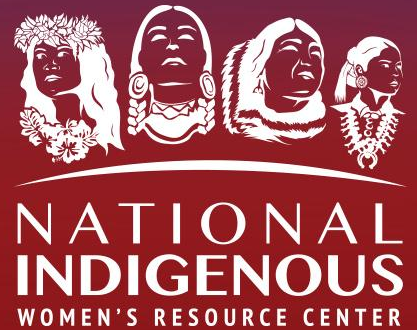
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Significance of the VAW Tribal Consultation

- Provides critical opportunity for government-to-government dialogue and for Indian tribes to identify barriers and implement solutions that will enhance their capacity as governments to protect their citizens.
- Feedback opportunity on what works/doesn't work in how Department of Justice (DOJ), Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), and Department of the Interior (DOI) funds and programs are administered as related to violence against women.
- Raise awareness on current, outstanding and/or emerging issues.
- Help ensure coordination and collaboration with Indian Tribes, DHHS, DOJ, and DOI in addressing intersecting issues.
- Help to design a legal framework for change and removal of barriers, inequity, etc.

2024 Issues of Concern



Tribal Jurisdiction

Limited tribal jurisdiction over non-Indian offenders and Special Tribal Criminal Jurisdiction (STCJ): The most recent VAWA reauthorization did not address protections for elders or serious crimes that co-occur with domestic and sexual violence, such as financial crimes and homicide. To protect Native people from violence, gaps in Tribal jurisdiction must be addressed.

Inadequate funding for restored tribal jurisdiction: Tribal Nations are unable to meaningfully exercise restored jurisdiction and make Indian country safer if the federal government does not live up to its trust responsibility to provide public safety funding and resources to implement the restored jurisdiction.

Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women (MMIW)

The inadequate response to the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women (MMIW) crisis is a breach of the federal trust responsibility. An adequately resourced local Tribal response to prevent abductions and murders is critically important in Indian country and must be supported.

While preventing the occurrence of MMIW should be the primary goal, further steps must be taken to ensure that when crimes occur, both families and the victim are supported in a culturally-appropriate way and at all stages, both during and after a crime.

Castro-Huerta Supreme Court Decision

Tribal Nations are concerned about the federal government reducing much-needed justice-related resources from Indian country following the 2022 Castro-Huerta decision. **The DOJ and DOI must not pull vital resources out of Indian Country.**

Tribal Notification

Federal accountability and compliance with Section 212 of the Tribal Law and Order Act of 2010 (TLOA): Sharing evidence of crimes committed on a reservation is critical to keeping American Indian and Alaska Native women safe. Tribal officials need to be notified in a timely manner when a U.S. Attorney declines to prosecute sexual assault and/or domestic violence cases and why the U.S. Attorney has declined.

Enforcing TLOA, Section 261, prisoner release and re-entry: Section 261 of the TLOA requires the U.S. Bureau of Prisons (BOP) to notify Tribal justice officials when a sex offender is released from federal custody into Indian country. This section must be enforced.

Extractive Industries

The escalation of sexual and domestic violence, including sex trafficking, due to the presence of extractive industries and military construction projects on or nearby Tribal lands must be addressed by the DOJ, DOI, HHS, Department of Homeland Security, and Department of Defense.

FVPSA

The Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) is the only dedicated federal funding source for domestic violence shelters across the country. However, FVPSA authorization expired in 2015 and funding for Tribal Nations and organizations under the bill is limited. FVPSA must:

- Adjust the funding distribution to increase the amount that Tribes receive from 10% to 12.5%;
- Dedicate formula funding for Tribal coalitions to provide culturally appropriate technical assistance to Tribes;
- Provide permanent funding for the national Indian domestic violence hotline;
- Provide permanent funding for the Alaska Tribal Resource Center on Domestic Violence to reduce disparities facing Native victims; and
- Provide permanent funding for the Native Hawaiian Resource Center on Domestic Violence.

Funding Disparities for Tribes in P.L. 280 states

Tribal Nations in P.L. 280 states have fewer resources to develop their Tribal justice systems, including police departments and court systems. States that have concurrent jurisdiction often fail to fulfill their responsibilities to Tribal Nations. These disparities must be addressed in order to protect Native people in P.L. 280 states.

Alaska

Comprehensive Tribal Justice Funding for Alaska Tribes:

The underfunding of our Tribal justice systems is a direct violation of the federal government's trust responsibilities towards Alaska Native and American Indian Tribes that results in lost lives, high rates of criminal victimization, and unaddressed trauma for generations of victims. Congress must fund Alaska Tribes at identified annual needs amount.

VAWA 2022 and Alaska Pilot Project Implementation:

DOJ and OVW must create dedicated Alaska STCJ funding streams that include infrastructure and capital projects. The current, single-agency funding stream doesn't take into consideration the robust needs of Alaska Tribes and current infrastructure challenges to implementation.

Alaska cont.

- **Better Coordination among Federal Agencies.**
- **Expanding Allowable Activities under OVW Tribal Governments Funding:**
Clarify allowable funding activities to include lateral violence/lateral kindness. Project Managers (PMs) consider this bullying and and unallowable. This broad categorization by PMs is incorrect and does not consider the multi-faceted nature of lateral violence/lateral kindness in Tribal communities.

Tribal Leader Caucus

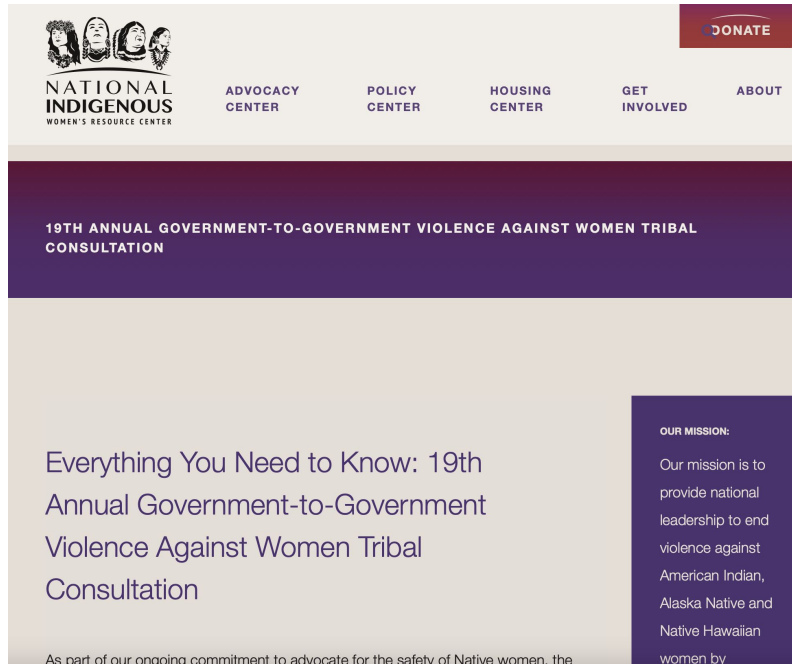
When and Where: November 12 (virtual)
November 18 (hybrid virtual and in person)

Who: Tribal leaders and designated representatives
(no federal partners or media)

NIWRC's OVW Consultation Hub

<https://www.niwrc.org/policy-center/ovw-consultation-hub>

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