

**Correctional Facilities on Tribal Lands Training and Technical Assistance Program
FY 2009 Competitive Grant Announcement
Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)**

1. What is the deadline for applications?

All applications are due by 8:00 pm, e.t., on March 12, 2009.

2. How do I apply for this funding?

All applications must be submitted via www.grants.gov If you have any difficulty with the system, contact Grants.gov at:

Grants.gov Contact Center (Monday–Friday, 7 a.m.-9.p.m. e.t.)

1-800-518-4726

support@grants.gov

It is important that you regularly update your registration information. If your information is not updated, you may not be able to apply for this funding opportunity. If you have not updated your registration information, please do not hesitate to contact grants.gov for more information.

3. Who is eligible to apply for this grant program?

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.

4. Will this award be made to individual states, localities, or tribes for the purpose of receiving reentry training and technical assistance?

No, this grant is only for the eligible applicants listed in question 3. The grantee will provide training and technical assistance to those tribes that have received Correctional Facilities on Tribal Lands grant funding. The grantee will also develop products and deliverables that will be utilized on a national level.

5. What are the expected deliverables for this project?

- a. Develop and deliver planning curricula for tribal representatives
- b. Provide logistical support for up to two Office of Justice Programs (OJP)/Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) events that focus on planning, renovating, and/or constructing correctional facilities on tribal lands.
- c. Develop and deliver at least 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.
- d. Develop and maintain a distance-learning technical assistance capacity to complement classroom training.
- e. 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.
- f. Support OJP's Tribal Justice and Safety web site by establishing and maintaining a section dedicated to assisting tribes effectively plan, renovate, and/or construct facilities

associated with the incarceration and rehabilitation of juvenile and adult offenders subject to tribal jurisdiction.

- g. Provide ad hoc technical assistance to BJA grantees to plan, renovate, and construct correctional facilities. Technical assistance formats should include telephone, written, and/or onsite assistance, as appropriate.

6. Does BJA have a requirement that Training and Technical Assistance (TTA) providers must adhere to in establishing workshop locations?

No. There is no requirement regarding workshop locations. However, BJA encourages training and technical assistance providers under this program to consider locations that have established model facilities using grant funding and are more easily accessible for grantees that will be attending the training/workshop. For example, if the majority of the grantees are located on the western part of the country, it may be more cost effective to host the training closer to the West Coast. In addition, BJA encourages TTA providers to coordinate training/workshops with other national level conferences/events that will be held for tribes.

7. Is the TTA provider required to defray the travel costs for grantees/participants to attend workshops?

Yes. The TTA provider is required to defray the travel costs for grantee representatives to attend training events supported under this cooperative agreement. Therefore, applicants should allocate funds for this cost in the proposed budget.

8. What is the length and amount of the award?

One award, in the amount of \$1 million will be made for a project period of 24 months.

9. Is it a requirement to submit a project timeline outlining how the project will be developed, implemented, and completed?

Yes, it is a requirement, and the timeline should show dates for deliverables being submitted to BJA.

10. Can partnerships between eligible applicants be used to develop the deliverables?

Yes, you can partner with eligible applicants who have criminal justice, public safety, and offender management and accountability experience. They can be subject matter experts, consultants, or other organizations that demonstrate the qualifications. The partners' qualifications, roles, and responsibilities should be outlined in the application.