



T-VSTTA

OVC TRIBAL VICTIM SERVICES TRAINING
AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Tribal Victim Services Training and Technical Assistance (T-VSTTA) is a capacity-building program for American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) communities. T-VSTTA provides tailored, victim-centered, and trauma-informed assistance to OVC Tribal grantees and potential grantees as they develop sustainable victim service programs.

The U.S. Department of Justice, Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) funds the T-VSTTA program, which is available at no cost to those who qualify.

How T-VSTTA Can Support You

Building a victim services program can be a complex and challenging process. With over 100 years of experience in victim services, the T-VSTTA team is dedicated to supporting you every step of the way, offering a variety of services to build on the resilience within AI/AN communities and make a positive impact on the victims you serve.

T-VSTTA can help you achieve your goals, providing—

Tailored, Individual Support provides you with guidance on program evaluation, program requirements, workforce development, and collaborative partnerships, addressing your identified challenges.

Coaching Sessions match your specific needs with targeted support, helping you navigate any challenges you may face.

Office Hours offer you deeper conversations and answers to specific grant management questions, keeping you on track with reaching program goals.

Talking Circles connect you with practitioners and other grantees, both virtually and in-person, on topics related to Tribal victim services, honoring traditions with opening and closing prayers.

Gatherings provide an opportunity for you to come together in-person with other grantees, OVC grant managers, and training and technical assistance (TTA) providers, offering a platform for impactful problem-solving, relationship building, and program planning.

Peer Learning Opportunities facilitate conversations between you and other grantees across Tribal communities, coordinating time to learn together and share developments in victim services.

Communities of Care Conversations create hands-on learning spaces to apply knowledge, focusing on improving outcomes for victims and survivors of crime within your community.

T-VSTTA's Guiding Principles

T-VSTTA builds a foundation of support based on the following principles—

- Offer victim-centered, trauma-informed support.
- Use the healing process as a touchstone.
- Deliver high-quality, culturally relevant resources, training, and gatherings.
- Ground service offerings in an understanding of sovereignty and history.
- Make it easier for grantees to develop victim services programs.

Ask T-VSTTA About

T-VSTTA offers support on topics related to victimization, crime, and other topics necessary to implement OVC-funded projects successfully.

Victim Services

- Child physical abuse and neglect
- Child sexual abuse
- Domestic violence
- Elder abuse
- Human trafficking
- Missing or Murdered Indigenous Persons
- Polyvictimization
- Sexual assault

Capacity Building

- Community needs assessments
- Data tools, processes, practices, and client feedback mechanisms
- Outreach and awareness
- Policies and procedures
- Program design and short-range strategic planning
- Staff care and training
- Trauma-informed and survivor-informed services

Sustainability

- Braided funding
- Community engagement and education
- Integrated traditional healing/victim services practices
- Long-range strategic planning
- Program assessment and evaluation plans
- Public awareness campaigns
- Staff development, resiliency, vicarious trauma

Partnership Development

- Healing-centered collaboration
- Strengthening partnerships to support direct victim services
- Uplifting grantee experiences through peer learning
- Wrap-around support of victims

Grant Navigation

- Performance Measurement Tool (PMT) reporting
- Program documentation
- Tribal Victim Services Set-Aside (TVSSA) grant applications



Contact Information

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