Alaska Native Women’s Resource Center
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ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE (ANTRC)

Funded by a 2017 Appropriations for a State Tribal Resource Center to provide:

1. Technical Assistance & Training, including Needs Assessment
2. Public Awareness/Resource Development
3. Policy Development & Systems Advocacy/Engagement
4. Research and Knowledge Development
Organizing & Facilitating a Process of Discussion & Engagement

Facilitating a discussion within village/s to:

- Provide victims with pathways to safety
- Increase the accountability of abusers
- Increase the village response to domestic violence
- Determine changes needed within the village to increase village-wide responses to domestic violence within the village
FVPSA - What is it and what does it do?
The FVPSA Program is committed to:

- Providing shelter and other supportive services for victims and their children
- Coordinating statewide improvements through the leadership of State Domestic Violence Coalitions and FVPSA State Administrators
- Increasing public awareness about the prevalence of domestic violence, dating violence and family violence
- Supporting specialized and comprehensive through a network of national technical assistance resource centers and culturally-specific institutes
How are FVPSA Funds Distributed?

- National and Special Issue Resource Centers: 6%
- State Domestic Violence Coalition Grants: 10%
- Evaluation, Monitoring, and Administration: 2.5%
- Tribal Formula Grants: 10%
- Discretionary: 1.5%
- State and Territorial Formula Grants: 70%
The Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) Grants to Native American Tribes (including Alaska Native Villages) and tribal organizations are formula grants funded through a 10% set aside in the FVPSA appropriation. Funding is available to all Native American Tribes and tribal organizations that meet the definition of “Indian Tribe” or “tribal organization” at 25 U.S.C. 450b and are able to demonstrate their capacity to carry out domestic violence prevention and services programs.

For more information, please see the FVPSA Tribal Domestic Violence Services Fact Sheet: https://www.acf.hhs.gov/fysb/resource/tribal-dv-fact-sheet
In 2018 Alaska Tribes received:

- 2018-there were 37 grantees
- The funding was different based on the formula
- Majority of small Alaska Tribes receive a small amount-in 2018 that was $24,776
- Supplemental Funding $21,604
- This is based on what is appropriated each year.
The purpose of these grants is to assist Tribes in efforts to increase public awareness about, and primary and secondary prevention of, family violence, domestic violence, and dating violence, and to provide immediate shelter and supportive services for victims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, and their dependents.
FVPSA Supports Lifesaving Shelter & Services

In 2015, State Grantees:

- Responded to 2.5 million crisis calls.
- Provided emergency shelter and other services to more than 130,427 adult victims of domestic violence and 111,021 children.
- Provided non-shelter supportive services, such as counseling, support groups and advocacy to 1,040,994 victims and their children.

876,506 women
76,813 men
292,799 children
Of the $135 million appropriated to FVPSA in 2015, $13.5 million in FVPSA formula grants were distributed based on population to 260 different tribes in 28 states.
FVPSA Funding for Tribes
2018 Funded 37 + Tribes
FVPSA Funded Alaska Tribes or Organizations

- Alatna Village Council
- Aleutian/Pribilof Islands Association
- Angoon Community Association
- Anvik Tribal Council
- Arctic Village Council
- Beaver Village Council
- Birch Creek Village Council/ Denduu Gwichin
- Bristol Bay Native Association
- Chugachmiut, Inc.
- Dot Lake
- Eagle Village
- Eastern Aleutian Tribes, Inc.
- Emmonak Women’s Shelter
- Fairbanks Native Association
- Gwichyaa Zhee Gwich' in Tribal Government
- Grayling
- Healy Lake/Mendas Cha-AG
- Holy Cross Tribal Council
- Hughes Village Council
- Hoonah Indian Association
- Huslia Village Council
- Kenaitze Indian Tribe
- Kodiak Area Native Association
- Koyukuk Tribal Council
FVPSA Funded Alaska Tribes or Organizations

- Maniilaq Association
- McGrath Native Village Council
- Minto Tribal Council
- Native Village of Afognak
- Native Village of Eyak
- Nenana Native Council
- Nikolai Edzeno Village Council
- Northway Village Council

- Nulato Tribal Council
- Ruby Tribal Council
- Shageluk IRA Tribal Council
- South Central Foundation
- Sun'aq Tribe of Kodiak
- Telida Village Council
- Tetlin Tribal Council
- Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska
What other Tribal programs are funded by FVPSA?
StrongHearts

Established in 2017
Native centered, empowerment based, trauma informed

STRONGHEARTS
Native Helpline
StrongHearts Service Priorities

- **Who They Serve:**
  - Any American Indian or Alaska Native affected by domestic violence or dating violence

- **What They Provide:**
  - Immediate support, crisis intervention and personalized safety planning
  - Information and education
  - Referrals to culturally appropriate services
  - Available Monday – Friday from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. CST

- Callers after hours are given the option to connect with The Hotline or to call back the next business day.
ALASKA NATIVE TRIBAL RESOURCE CENTER ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE (ANTRC) – What can we do to help?

- Technical Assistance and Training on the application process
- Template for the budget
- Ideas about what could be included in application.
Questions so far?
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DUE DATES:

HHS-2018-ACF-ACYF-FVPS-1349

February 28, 2019
February 28, 2020
This announcement governs the proposed award of mandatory formula grants under the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) to Native American tribes (including Alaska Native Villages) and tribal organizations. The purpose of these grants is to: 1) assist Tribes in efforts to increase public awareness about, and primary and secondary prevention of family violence, domestic violence, and dating violence; and 2) assist tribes in efforts to provide immediate shelter and supportive services for victims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, and their dependents (42 U.S.C. § 10401(b)(1)-(2)).
This FVPSA funding opportunity announcement (FOA), administered through the Administration on Children, Youth and Families’ (ACYF) Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB), is designed to assist tribes in their efforts to support the establishment, maintenance, and expansion of programs and projects to:

■ 1) prevent incidents of family violence, domestic violence, and dating violence;

■ 2) provide immediate shelter, supportive services, and access to community-based programs for victims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, and their dependents; and

■ 3) provide specialized services for children exposed to family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, underserved populations, and victims who are members of underserved populations (45 CFR §1370.10(a)).
Requirements

- Tribal grantees have a critical role in promoting FYSB priorities by incorporating trauma-informed practices and interventions in all of their services funded by FVPSA. In particular, services must be provided on a voluntary basis and no condition may be applied for the receipt of emergency shelter.

- Grantees cannot impose conditions for admission to shelter by applying inappropriate screening methods (45 CFR §1370.10(b)(10)).

- Tribes and tribal organizations are strongly encouraged to leverage the expertise of the FVPSA-funded resource centers that comprise the Domestic Violence Resource Network to infuse programs with best and promising practices on trauma-informed interventions.

- FVPSA-funded programs must establish and implement policies and protocols for maintaining the confidentiality of records pertaining to any individual provided services family violence, domestic violence, and dating violence.
Best Practices

- Coordination and collaboration among victim services providers; community-based, culturally specific, and faith-based services providers; housing and homeless services providers; and tribal, federal, state, and local public officials and agencies are needed to provide more responsive and effective services to victims of family violence, domestic violence, and dating violence, and their families.

- At least one grantee representative should plan to attend FVPSA-sponsored grantee conferences or meetings (including peer-to-peer mentoring) as directed by the FVPSA program throughout the grant’s project period.
Use of Funds

- **Shelter:**
  - Immediate shelter and related supportive services to adult and youth victims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, and their dependents, including paying for the operating and administrative expenses of the facilities for such shelter.

- **Supportive Services**
  - Community-based counseling
  - Developing safety plans
  - Increase awareness of DV
  - Provision of culturally appropriate services
  - Advocacy for case management, medical, legal, safe housing, child care, transportation and related
Examples of how Tribes use these funds
Application Process

- Cover Letter with required information contained—see example
- DUNS #
- Statement of Need, describing 1) service Area 2) # of victims to serve 3) barriers experienced in service area and in accessing services
- 1)capacity of the organization 2) description of staff to assist 3) method of providing services
- Services to be provided
- Budget narrative—see example
- Policies and procedures—describe how you will create
- Signed current Tribal resolution—see example
Contact: HHS Regional X

- Region X: Alaska, Oregon, Idaho, Washington
- Contact: Phone: Email:
- Shena Williams, Senior Program Specialist 202-205-5932 Shena.Williams@acf.hhs.gov
Application Requirements: Checklist

- All pages completed, dated, and signed where indicated
- Cover Letter
- Statement of Need and Narrative
- Budget
- Description of Policies
- Consortium Applicants – MOA other
- Tribal Resolution
- 424 forms: SF 424 Mandatory Form, Certification Regarding Lobbying, Assurance of Compliance with Grant Requirements and Disclosure of Lobbying, if applicable
- Grant application submitted through SAM or exemption obtained and mailed “Certified/Return receipt”
For more information, go to LearnAboutFVPSA.org
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