



Application

Training and Technical Assistance Opportunity for Tribal, State and Local Governments to Develop a Collaborative Joint Jurisdictional Court Initiative

Please prepare an application responding to the questions below. Applications may be prepared in Microsoft Word® or .pdf format and should be submitted via email attachment to leof@ohsu.edu. Applications may be no more than seven pages in length. Font should be 12 pt.

Applications are due Friday, **January 30, 2015** by 5:00 p.m. Pacific Standard Time

The initial written application has a total possible value of 70 points. All applications will be reviewed and applications that score at least 50 out of 70 points on first review will be reviewed by all Project TEAM staff. The five applications with the highest scores based on full review will be designated semifinalists. Identified tribal and local government leaders from semifinalist applications will be contacted the week of February 9, 2015 for completion of a 15 minute community readiness survey and an interview with Project TEAM staff the week of February 16, 2015. Survey completion and interview are worth 30 points, with a total application value of 100 points. Two sites will be chosen for Project TEAM support with TTA services to be provided either during April, June and August 2015, or November 2015, and January and March 2016. All applicants will be notified of their status on March 2, 2015. Applicants not chosen through this process will be considered for future support or will be referred to other Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), U.S. Department of Justice approved training and technical assistance providers for potential TTA support.

Informational Webinar

The National Criminal Justice Association (NCJA) will host a webinar to provide information about this project and answer questions about the application process. The webinar is scheduled for Wednesday, January 7, 2015 at 3:00 pm eastern time. To register for the webinar please click [here](#).

Application Questions

Please answer the following questions clearly and with as much detail as possible.

1. **Identification of project leaders/statement of commitment** (worth 20 points out of 100)

Success of this project will be determined at least in part by the strength of leadership and the degree of commitment from these leaders. Please list an identified leader from both the tribal government or court system and the local government or court system. **All applications must identify designated leaders from both the tribal and local government entities.** Include:

- The designated leaders' names
- Current titles or positions and any past experience relevant to the project
- Full contact information: address, phone number, and email address

Both the tribal and local government leaders must submit a statement of commitment to the project indicating their ability to participate personally and bring supporting staff/participants to the three on-site visits to be scheduled for either April, June and August 2015, or November 2015 and January and March 2016. Leaders should also describe their role in the project and describe the resources and abilities they will bring to the collaboration.

2. **Description of the problem** (worth 10 points out of 100)

Please describe the problem you intend to address through creation of a joint-jurisdiction collaboration. Include:

- A description of the problem faced by the community; and
- How the problem affects both the tribal and non-tribal population.

3. **Description of the proposed joint-jurisdiction collaboration** (worth 20 points out of 100)

Please describe the joint-jurisdiction collaboration you wish to create. Include:

- Goals and objectives of the collaboration;
- Proposed nature of collaboration (e.g., a joint jurisdiction court to handle a specific issue or population);
- Identify key participants and what roles they will play;

- What factors in the environment will encourage project success; and
 - What potential barriers or challenges to implementation exist.
4. **List of proposed participants** (worth 10 points out of 100)
- Collaborations do better when support is broadly based, widespread and balanced between key participants (e.g., representatives from both tribal and local governments and communities.) Please identify the individuals you expect to participate in creating and implementing your collaboration. Where possible, please identify participants by name and provide contact information. If recruitment is ongoing, projected participants may be identified by role (e.g., parole officer).
5. **Description of the existing tribal-local community relationship and information on any existing or past collaborations** (10 points out of 100)
- Please describe the existing relationship between the tribal government and community and the local government and community. Describe how the existing relationship may affect the proposed collaboration or be affected by it. Describe any existing or past collaborative efforts and what happened during those projects. Applications should include materials documenting support from the Tribal Council or other governing tribal authority and any equivalent political or judicial authority in the state or local government that would be required to proceed with the project.
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All applications will be reviewed and those scoring at least 50 out of 70 points based on the answers to the above questions will be contacted for the second stage of the process. The second stage is worth 30 points and consists of the completion of a 15 minute survey to determine collaboration readiness and a phone interview between Project TEAM staff and the designated tribal and local government leaders. Phone interviews will take place the week of February 16, 2015.

Questions about the application process should be directed to Allison Leof at leof@ohsu.edu or (503) 494-3805.



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