



# Introducing the NCAI Fund Victim Services Micro-grant Program

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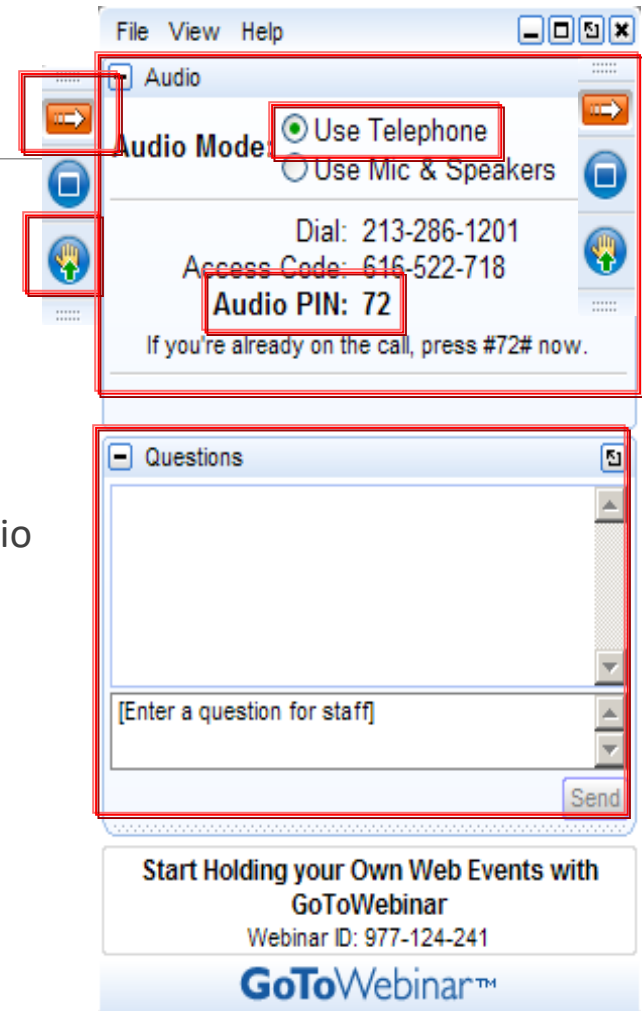
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# Welcome

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Today's Goal: to provide an overview of a new crime victim services funding opportunity for eligible tribal nations.

## Panelists:

- Virginia Davis, Senior Advisor, National Congress of American Indians
- Lonna Hunter, Tribal Victim Resource Specialist, Tribal Law and Policy Institute
- Kelly Crowe, Project Director, FirstPic, Inc.

# AI/AN Crime Victims

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- American Indians/Alaska Natives (AI/AN) are the victims of violent crime at a rate of two times the national average.<sup>1</sup>
- More than four in five AI/AN adults (83 percent) have experienced some form of violence in their lifetime.<sup>2</sup>
- Over 80% of AI/AN will experience intimate partner violence, sexual violence, or stalking in their lifetime.<sup>3</sup>
- More than half of AI/AN women (56.1 percent) have experienced sexual violence in their lifetime, and 1 in 7 will experience sexual violence every year.<sup>4</sup>
- When AI/AN experience violent victimization, they are *more* likely to need services as a result of the victimization and *less* likely to have access to those services.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>1</sup> U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, *Broken Promises: Continuing Federal Funding Shortfall for Native Americans*, 31 (December 2018). Available at: <https://www.usccr.gov/pubs/2018/12-20-Broken-Promises.pdf>.

<sup>2</sup> National Institute of Justice, *Five Things About Violence Against American Indian and Alaska Native Women and Men*, 1 (May 2016). Available at: <https://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/249815.pdf>.

<sup>3</sup> Rosay, André, PhD, *National Institute of Justice Research Report: Violence Against Indian and Alaska Native Women and Men 2010 Findings from the National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey*, p. 2-3 (May 2016) U.S. Dept. of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, available at: <https://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/249736.pdf>

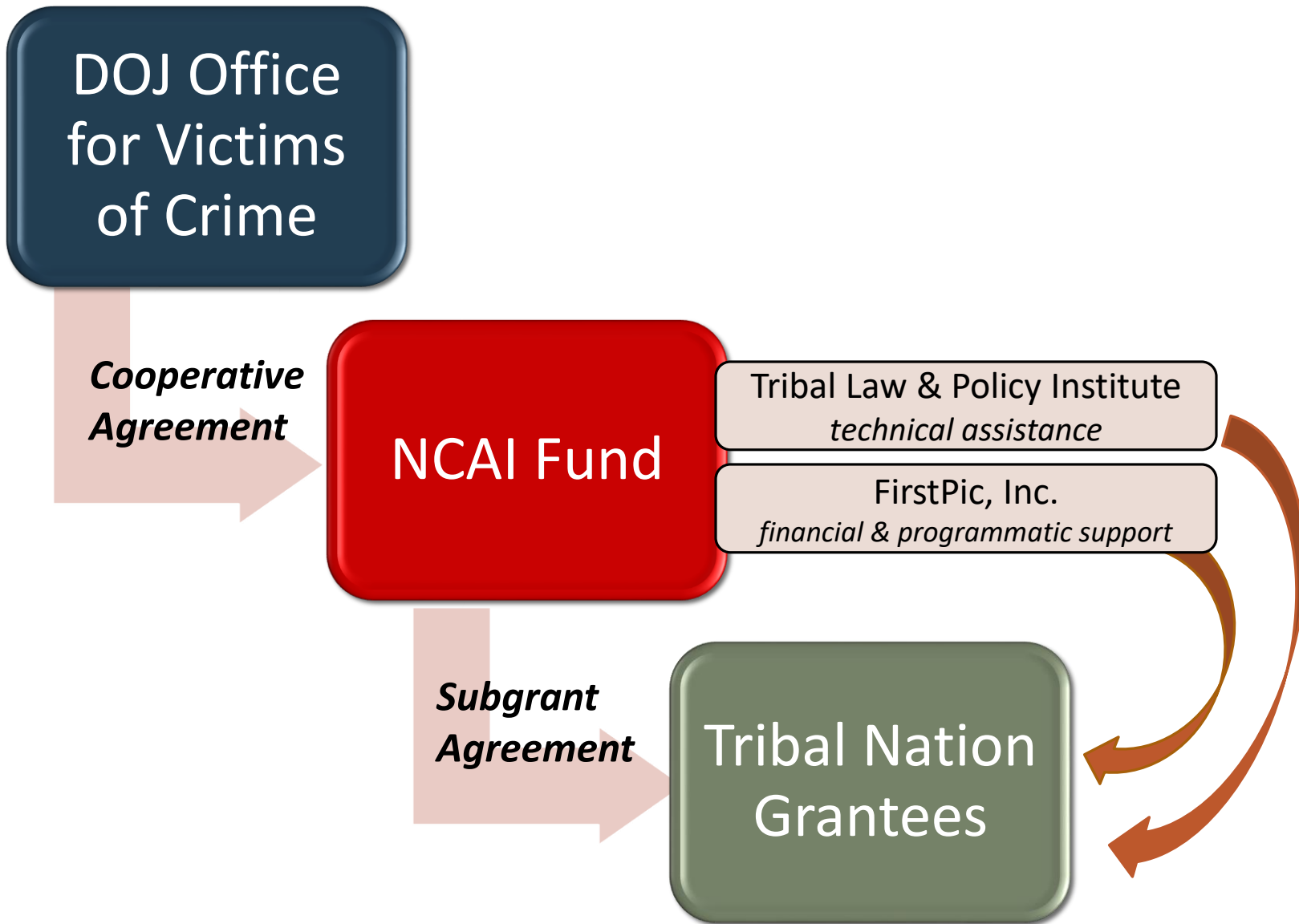
<sup>4</sup> Id.

<sup>5</sup> Id. at 66-67.

# 2020 NCAI Fund Victim Services Micro-grant Program

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- The NCAI Fund received an award from the Department of Justice (DOJ) Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) as part of the FY19 tribal set-aside funding from the Crime Victims Fund.
- The NCAI Fund will provide pass-through funding to tribal governments outside Alaska who did not receive tribal set-aside funding from:
  - OVC FY 2019 Tribal Victim Services Set-Aside Program;
  - FY 2019 Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (Purpose Area 7 Tribal Victim Services); or
  - FY 2018 Tribal Victim Services Set-Aside Program.
- The total award amount per applicant cannot exceed \$350,000. The grant period will be Oct. 1, 2020-June 30, 2022.



# Who is Eligible?

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- Federally recognized tribal nations, located outside Alaska, who did NOT receive victim services funding from DOJ's OVC in FY 18 or FY 19 may apply for funding.

Tribes in Alaska will have a similar opportunity through the Denali Commission. (Information is available at [www.denali.gov/grants](http://www.denali.gov/grants).)

- Applicants may be:
  - Individual tribal nations;
  - Consortia applicants (two or more eligible tribes who are interested in receiving funding as a consortium),
  - Designees (an organization who has been authorized by a tribal nation to apply on behalf of the tribe).

Consortia and designee applicants will be asked to provide appropriate authorization documentation prior to receiving an award.

# Application Process

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## **Application Step 1: Statement of Interest-Due: Friday, June 26, 2020**

- All applicants must complete a Statement of Interest to indicate the applicant's intention to apply for funds.
- Step 1 includes a summary statement of the proposed use of funds and an estimate of how much funding the applicant may request.
- The Statement of Interest does not require a fully developed proposal.

## **Application Step 2: Full Application-Due-August 21, 2020.**

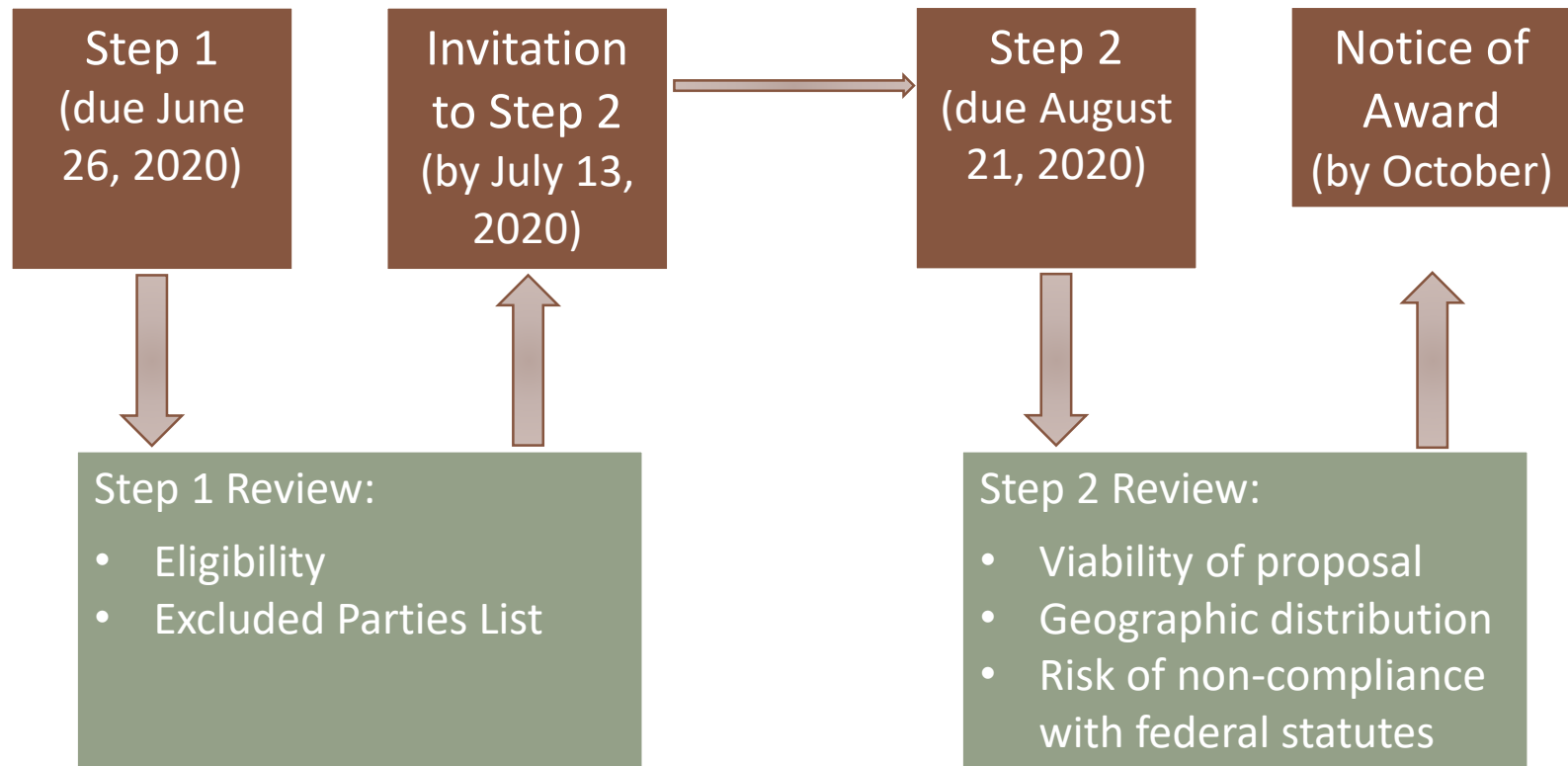
- Step 2 of the application will be released on **Monday, July 13, 2020**
- Step 2 includes a summary project proposal and summary budget.

**TLPI will be providing technical assistance to tribes as they apply.**



# Application Process (cont'd)

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# What can funding be used for?

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- Assess the need for additional programming and services for victims of crime
- Develop a strategic plan to improve or expand existing victim services
- Purchase equipment and supplies necessary for victim services programming
- Provide victim services grant management
- Implement program activities, including personnel costs, to support victims of crimes
- **Funding Amounts:** Micro-grant awards will not exceed \$350,000.

A chart of allowable and unallowable costs can be found at  
[https://tribalvictimservices.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/AppendixA\\_allowablecosts.pdf](https://tribalvictimservices.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/AppendixA_allowablecosts.pdf)

# Training and Technical Assistance Available

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- Have you applied for OVC funds and been denied?
- Not sure what is allowable or unallowable?
- Do you have ideas or thoughts about victim service programming but not sure what area(s) can be funded?

The Tribal Law and Policy Institute is available to answer questions as you go through the funding process, please contact Lonna Hunter at [Lonna@tlpi.org](mailto:Lonna@tlpi.org).

# Interested in applying for funding, what's next?

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- Visit [www.TribalVictimServices.org](http://www.TribalVictimServices.org) locate the tab Request Funding
- Scroll down to **Step 1: Complete a Statement of Interest**
- The **Statement of Interest DOES NOT** require a fully developed proposal. It is simply letting us know you are interested.

# Technical Assistance

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- Once you complete the **Statement of Interest**, you will be contacted by the Tribal Law and Policy Institute to follow up and answer any questions.
- The goal is to provide TA to eligible applicants as they complete their project proposals and budgets.
- Need assistance today? Please visit [www.TribalVictimServices.org](http://www.TribalVictimServices.org) and click on Technical Assistance tab to find a list of FAQs
- Contact [Lonna@tlpi.org](mailto:Lonna@tlpi.org)

# The Statement of Interest

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Proposed use of funds:

- Are you seeking funding for a new or existing victim services program?
- Please describe how you would like to use the requested funding, in 3-5 sentences.

***Example:** Our tribe would like to develop a victim services program. As a first step, we would like to conduct a community needs assessment and begin a strategic planning process. We plan to hire a consultant to assist in the development of the needs assessment and strategic plan.*

# The Statement of Interest

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## Proposed use of funds:

- Do you plan to use the funding to purchase a vehicle to transport victims to access necessary services or attend court proceedings?
- Has your tribe, consortium or designee organization previously completed a needs assessment or strategic plan around victim services?

***Example:** We propose to purchase supplies for two victim advocates to facilitate remote work, including laptops, cell phones, and office furniture (desk, office chair). We will also purchase a vehicle to transport victims to necessary services and a security system and generator for the tribal Domestic Violence shelter program.*

# The Statement of Interest

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## Proposed use of funds:

- Estimated amount of funding to be requested.
  - Less than \$50,000
  - \$50,001-\$100,000
  - \$100,001-\$200,000
  - \$200,001-\$350,000

***Example:*** We propose to use this funding to improve the resources available to victims within the community. We will hire an attorney to draft a victims' rights code and to train the relevant personnel on implementation of the code. We will also cover hotel costs for victims who need emergency shelter.



# The Statement of Interest

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## Authority to apply:

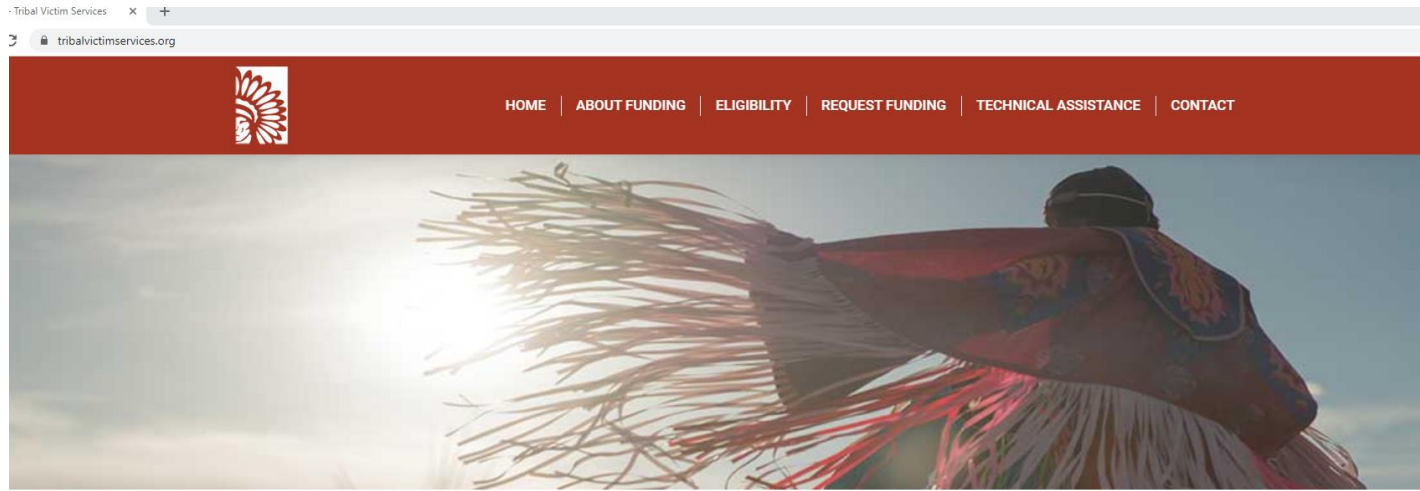
- Do you have the authority to apply for grants on behalf of your tribal nation?
- If you are submitting as a Consortia or Designee, which tribal nations do you represent?

# Step 2: Full Application

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- After completion of **Step 1: Statement of Interest by June 26, 2020**, eligible applicants will be sent information to complete the Full Application. Applicants will also be contacted by the Tribal Law and Policy Institute for follow up.
- The Full Application will require applicants to identify their target service population and provide a detailed description of potential activities to be funded by a micro-grant.
- The Full Application will only require a summary budget, with a detailed budget to be assessed with technical assistance at a later date.
- **Step 2: Full Application** will be due: **August 21, 2020**

# [www.TribalVictimServices.org](http://www.TribalVictimServices.org)



## **Welcome to the 2020 NCAI Fund Victim Services Micro-grant Program**

NCAI Fund Victim Services Micro-grants are available through a cooperative agreement with the U.S. Department of Justice's Office for Victims of Crime. The micro-grants are intended to fill gaps in current tribal victim services and/or to develop or expand the ability of tribal victim assistance programs to provide services.

[ELIGIBILITY](#)

# Training and Technical Assistance Webinars 2020 - Step 1

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## ■ **June 9, 2020:** Introductory Launch Webinar

- This webinar is an introduction of the funding opportunity and the Request for Proposals (RFP). This includes an introduction to program partners and training and technical assistance; review of the funding timeline and steps for funding; review of the NCAI Fund Crime Victim Services Program website; and review of the statement of interest.

## ■ **June 11, 2020:** Introductory Launch Webinar (REPEAT)

## ■ **June 16, 2020:** Program Planning Webinar

- This webinar offers considerations for grant planning for victim services, an overview of what can be funded, and final review of the statement of interest. This includes a discussion of addressing gaps in safety.

# Training and Technical Assistance Webinars 2020-Step 2

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*After you submit your Statement of Interest and eligibility is confirmed, there will be additional webinars to assist you in completing **Step 2: Final Application**:*

- **July 21, 2020:** Program Development Webinar
- **August 4, 2020:** Implementation Webinar

## ***Post Award***

- **October 2020,** Full Budget Webinar with FirstPic and TLPI

# 2020 OVC Tribal Victim Services Set-Aside

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- **Question:** If a tribal nation applied for the 2020 OVC Tribal Services-Set Aside, can it still apply for the 2020 NCAI Fund Victim Services Micro-grant Program?
- **Answer:** Yes, eligible tribal nations who have applied to the OVC FY 2020 Tribal Victim Services Set-Aside Program **may apply** for this funding, as long as the proposed use of funding is for different activities than the FY 2020 Tribal Victim Services Set-Aside Program.
- **Key dates:** This FY20 OVC set aside pre-application was due April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020 with full application due June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020

# Resources

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- Please visit [www.TribalVictimServices.org](http://www.TribalVictimServices.org) for more information or to request additional training and technical assistance.
- General inquiries about the NCAI Fund Victim Services Micro-grant Program can be emailed to [microgrants@ncai.org](mailto:microgrants@ncai.org).

# Questions?

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