

OJJDP Fact Sheet The Tribal Youth Program

What is the Tribal Youth Program?

- The Tribal Youth Program (TYP) supports tribal efforts to prevent and control delinquency and improve tribal juvenile justice systems for American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) youth.
- TYP is administered by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, and is part of the Indian Country Law Enforcement Initiative—a joint initiative of the U.S. Departments of Justice and Interior.
- Grants are available to federally recognized tribes and Alaska Native villages.
- The current TYP solicitation provides a 4-year project period or 5-year grant period if a planning year is included.
- OJJDP provides training to grant recipients in completing their comprehensive strategic plans, including training in successful community planning.

OJJDP funds federally recognized tribes under the following categories:

- Prevention services to impact risk factors for delinquency
- Interventions for court-involved tribal youth
- Improvements in the tribal juvenile justice system
- Alcohol and drug abuse prevention programs
- Mental health services

Since 1999:

- 10% of the TYP appropriation has been used for research and evaluation activities;
- 2% has been used for training and technical assistance;
- 321 grants have been awarded to 299 federally recognized tribes.

Funding distribution is based on the service population on or near reservations:

Tribal population on or near reservation	Maximum eligible funding (4-yr. award)
1,500 or fewer residents	\$250,000
1,501 to 6,000 residents	\$350,000
6,001 or more residents	\$450,000

During FY 2008:

- 18 awards of \$300,000 to \$500,000 were made to federally recognized tribes.
- 19,821 youth and their families were served by TYP programs.
- TYP youth and/or families completed 56,634 service hours.
- 90% of TYP families and 93% of youth were satisfied with their program.
- 67% of participants demonstrated an increase in Cultural Skill Building/Cultural Pride.
- 65% of participants demonstrated an improvement in Family Functioning.

More information about the Tribal Youth Program is available online at

<http://ojjdp.ncjrs.org/typ/>.

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