

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Office on Violence Against Women
All Tribal Leaders Teleconference

When

Wednesday, February 20, 2019
from 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM EST

Time Zones:

3:30PM EST
2:30PM CST
1:30PM MST
12:30PM PST
11:30AM AST

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951-262-2009 or
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Dear Tribal Leader:

On behalf of the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Office on Violence Against Women (OVW), please accept this as an invitation to participate in the All Tribal Leaders conference call to begin discussions regarding the 14th Annual Government-to-Government Violence Against Women Tribal Consultation. Your participation will help strengthen the Department's nation-to-nation relationships with Indian tribes and reaffirm the federal government's commitment to enhancing the safety of American Indian and Alaska Native women.

The Violence Against Women Act requires the OVW to hold an annual consultation with Indian tribal governments on violence against AIAN women. The purpose of the consultation is to solicit recommendations from tribal government leaders on three topic areas:

1. Administering grant funds appropriated for tribal governments and programs created to benefit tribal governments by the original Violence Against Women Act and subsequent legislation;
2. Enhancing the safety of Indian Women from domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking; and
3. Strengthening the federal response to crimes of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

We are currently exploring possible tribal consultation sites for August 2019 in Florida, Michigan, and Wisconsin. Past VAWA Tribal Consultation locations include the following:

- Sioux Falls, SD (2018)
- Fountain Hills, AZ (2017)
- Palm Springs, CA (2016)
- Shelton, WA (2015)
- Rapid City, SD (2014)
- Washington, DC (2013)
- Tulsa, OK (2012)
- Santa Ana Pueblo, NM (2011)
- Spokane, WA (2010)
- St. Paul, MN (2009)
- Palm Springs, CA (2008)
- Albuquerque, NM (2007)
- Prior Lake, MN (2006)

Discussion items for this conference call include venue, location, and dates for the 2019 tribal consultation, logistics, appended meetings and/or events, testimony, and tribal input on topics for tribal consultation framing papers. We look forward to your participation in the process.

If you are unable to participate, but would like to share your recommendations with OVW, please contact Tribal Deputy Director Sherriann Moore at Sherriann.Moore@usdoj.gov.

Thank you.

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