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Funding Opportunity for COPS FY 2010 Tribal Meth Grants

The Department of Justice–Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) has announced that it is accepting applications for the FY 2010 COPS Tribal Methamphetamine Initiative (Tribal Meth) grants. The Tribal Meth grants fund tribal law enforcement agencies in the development of wide-ranging strategies to combat meth production-use-trafficking in tribal communities.

This grant opportunity is open to any federally recognized tribe, Alaska Native villages¹, and tribal consortia of two or more federally recognized tribes. Applicants must have an established law enforcement department and/or an existing contract for law enforcement services from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), agree to work with a technical assistance provider selected by the COPS Office, and participate in an evaluation process.

There is approximately \$4 million available for the 2010 round of Tribal Meth grants. There is a grant ceiling of \$200,000 for tribes "to develop or support enhanced tribal-level coordination, and establish and implement tribe-specific action plans to address the health and safety issues of [meth] in Indian Country." Grant awards are for a two-year period and there is no match requirement.

More information on funding eligibility and application criteria is available in the 49-page application guidance at: <http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/pdf/TRIBAL-METH-APPGuide.pdf>. The application deadline is July 6, 2010, and it must be submitted electronically via the COPS Office website (www.cops.usdoj.gov).

For programmatic assistance with the requirements of this program or submitting the application, please call the COPS Office Response Center at 800-421-6770 or you may submit questions via e-mail to AskCOPSRC@usdoj.gov.

If we may be of assistance regarding the COPS Tribal Meth grant program, please contact us at the information below.

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¹ "Restriction for Certain Tribes: Pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2004 (P.L. 108-199, Div. B, Title I, Sec. 112), a tribe or village in which fewer than 25 Native members live in the village year-round or that is located within the boundaries of the Fairbanks North Star Borough, the Matanuska Susitna Borough, the Municipality of Anchorage, the Kenai Peninsula Borough, the City and Borough of Juneau, the Sitka Borough, and the Ketchikan Borough may not use any funds awarded through this program for courts or law enforcement officers."