



**U.S. Department of Justice**  
Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS)

*Office of the Director*  
1100 Vermont Avenue, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20530

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Dear Colleague:

The COPS Office is pleased to announce that we are accepting applications for funding under the **COPS Tribal Resources Grant Program 2009** (TRGP 2009). The Fiscal Year 2009 Appropriations Act for the Department of Justice has not yet been finalized, but federal funds may be available in FY09 to address the serious needs of tribal law enforcement. **All awards are subject to the availability of appropriated funds and any modifications or additional requirements that may be imposed by law.** The TRGP 2009 grant program is a comprehensive program that provides a variety of funding options including law enforcement training, uniforms, basic issue equipment, department-wide technology, and vehicles for officers. The program's goal is to enhance tribal law enforcement infrastructure and community policing efforts.

This program is open to all Federally Recognized Tribes with established police departments. In addition, tribes that are currently served by Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) law enforcement may request funding under TRGP 2009 to supplement their existing police services. Requests under this program must reflect otherwise unfunded needs. There is no local match requirement for the TRGP 2009 grant, although there is a cap set on the amount of funds that can be requested under this program: agencies with 20 or fewer sworn officers may request up to \$200,000 in federal funds, while agencies with 21 or more sworn officers may request up to \$400,000 in funding.

The TRGP 2009 grant program application is available on-line at [www.Grants.gov](http://www.Grants.gov). To view the application and apply on-line, please go to [https://apply07.grants.gov/apply/forms\\_apps\\_idx.html](https://apply07.grants.gov/apply/forms_apps_idx.html). The opportunity code for this program is **COPS-TRGP-2009-1**. If you are unable to use Grants.gov, please contact the COPS Office Response Center at 1.800.421.6770. To be considered for funding, completed applications must be submitted via Grants.gov no later than **April 10, 2009**.

All interested agencies should be aware that the registration process to apply for funds through Grants.gov is a multi-step process, and can take two to three weeks to complete. Agencies are strongly encouraged to begin the registration process immediately to avoid any problems or delays when submitting applications. **Please allow yourself enough time to complete the registration process under Grants.gov to ensure that you don't miss the application deadline.**

The COPS Office looks forward to working with all tribes that are interested in this program, and will provide technical assistance to applicants on an as-needed basis. For more information, please contact the COPS Office Response Center at 1.800.421.6770.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Timothy J. Quinn".

Timothy J. Quinn  
Acting Director