



COPS
Community Oriented Policing Services
U.S. Department of Justice

Community Policing Resources for Tribal Law Enforcement

The Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS Office) provides resources and training and technical assistance (TTA) to further practical and specialized knowledge used to implement and enhance justice system efforts, particularly in the law enforcement field. The COPS Office supports TTA that is not only **specifically geared toward tribes** but also generally applies across broader topic areas such as **community policing, drugs, gangs, and youth safety**, among others. Please be sure to contact the TTA providers listed here to learn more about their specific courses and availability. Most courses are tuition free; however, if some are not currently available, they may require a fee for service.

The COPS Office also offers the *Tribal Resources for Justice Systems and Law Enforcement* CD-ROM, <http://ric-zai-inc.com/ric.php?page=detail&id=COPS-CD038>. This resource focuses on law enforcement strategies concerning issues such as gangs, alcohol and substance abuse, and victimization in tribal communities. In addition, the COPS Office offers a variety of publications specific to tribal policing:

- *Break the Cycle: Methamphetamine and Community-Oriented Policing in Indian Country*, <http://ric-zai-inc.com/ric.php?page=detail&id=COPS-P349>
- *Promising Practices in Tribal Community Policing*, <https://ric-zai-inc.com/ric.php?page=detail&id=COPS-P359>
- *Public Safety Partnerships in Indian Country*, <http://ric-zai-inc.com/ric.php?page=detail&id=COPS-P330>
- *Successful Tribal Community Policing Initiatives: A Resource for Communities Developing Public Safety Programs and Strategies*, <http://ric-zai-inc.com/ric.php?page=detail&id=COPS-P276>

Please also visit the COPS Office's "Tribal and Alaska Native Training and Technical Assistance" web page at <http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/Default.asp?Item=2621> and the U.S. Department of Justice's tribal "Training and Technical Assistance" web page at <https://www.justice.gov/tribal/training-and-technical-assistance> for more information about these efforts.

Western Community Policing Institute (WCPI)

WCPI has several training curricula designed for tribes, including those focused on youth, executive leadership, and regional collaboration.



Regional Collaboration to Embrace, Engage, and Sustain Tribal Community Policing Partnerships: This course is designed to provide technical assistance and regional training that focuses on building effective and efficient collaborative partnerships throughout Indian country to address the unique public safety threats to tribal communities and their neighboring jurisdictions.

Tribal Community Police/Teams: This training is designed to bring together tribal government, community members, and law enforcement to learn techniques on how to empower their communities to ethically identify and solve community problems through the use of community policing concepts, advocacy, and problem solving.

Tribal Inspired Leadership Training (TILT): This course is designed to increase tribal leaders' capacity to leverage community policing in responding to the effects of local economic distress on public safety and to increase their capacity to address unique issues in a culturally sensitive and comprehensive community policing approach.

Tribal Youth Leadership (TYL): This course is designed to train and equip American Indian youth (middle and high school level) with the leadership skills necessary to address the public safety problems that plague tribal communities.

Contact: www.tribaltraining.com ■ kauffmab@wou.edu ■ Toll free: 877-601-6866

National Criminal Justice Training Center (NCJTC)

Community Safety Summits: These events discuss key public safety issues impacting tribal communities, such as alcohol and substance abuse, child abuse, juvenile delinquency, domestic violence, and crime. Participants explore strategies to address these concerns through community policing, interagency collaboration, and multijurisdictional partnerships.



Tribal Oriented Policing Strategies: A Community Policing Approach to Reducing Crime in Indian Country (TOPS): This two-day interactive training is designed to enhance collaboration between tribal law enforcement agencies and the community to reduce crime and improve community quality of life. Nine other training and technical assistance courses round out the featured offerings in topics ranging from drug trends to suicide prevention. Support is also available for peer-to-peer learning, distance learning opportunities, and mentoring services.

Contact: www.ncjtc.org/TRGP ■ info@NCJTC.org ■ Toll free: 855-866-2582



Upper Midwest Community Policing Institute (UMCPI)

UMCPI has training curricula designed for tribal communities, including basic community policing concepts, school safety, and leadership courses.



Creating Collaborative Partnerships between Tribal Police Departments and Casino Security in Indian Country: This on-site and online training curriculum assists tribes in building partnerships between tribal law enforcement and casino management and security to address public safety issues. The online curriculum is available at <http://tpt.thecsiacademy.com/>.

Human Trafficking in Indian Country: This training is provided for tribal leaders, tribal law enforcement, and community stakeholders and includes a component for a tribal youth peer-to-peer awareness and prevention curriculum as well as a human trafficking course for casino employees and security personnel.

Tribal Law Enforcement Training Conference (Native American Training Series IV): This three-day training conference brings together all three of the COPS Office Native American Training Series (NATS) courses in one location. **NATS I** addresses the topics of community policing basics, tribal community engagement, and reducing crime and disorder through problem solving partnerships. **NATS II** is a presentation for law enforcement officers working in schools or serving the school community and for school administrators and educators and concerned community members. **NATS III** is designed for Native-American police executives, command staff, and supervising personnel and will prepare tribal police leaders to address today's law enforcement challenges.

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Lamar Associates

Lamar Associates has developed training curricula for tribes that include developing partnerships and problem solving as well as methamphetamine and prescription drug abuse courses addressing youth and drug-endangered children.



Building Collaborative Community Partnerships: This online curriculum, which is under development, will assist tribes with building partnerships with the community to solve public safety problems. The online curriculum is anticipated to be available in 2017.

Tribal Prescription Drug Endangered Children Training and Technical Assistance Program and E-Learning Program: These courses are designed to increase the capacity of Native Law Enforcement to serve the needs of drug endangered children and build partnerships with public health, prevention, and treatment providers that will lead to coordinated community responses to prevent prescription drug diversion and abuse.

Contact: www.indiancountrytraining.net ■ info@lamarassociates.net ■ Phone: 202-543-8181

National Alliance for Drug Endangered Children (NADEC)

The DEC Approach "Moving from Awareness to Action...": This training focuses on how to implement the DEC Approach, which is a comprehensive strategy based on collaboration between various disciplines and agencies that has proven to be effective in improving the likelihood of better outcomes for drug-endangered children.



Local DEC Alliance Development: Sustaining the DEC Approach: This training teaches law enforcement, child welfare, and their professional colleagues and community partners about the benefits of forming local DEC alliances that formalize working relationships between the professionals who are involved with drug-endangered children and their families.

Tribal Core Drug Endangered Children Training: This course trains trainers who provide Tribal Core DEC training in local tribal communities. The drug-endangered children mission focuses on the formation of multidisciplinary partnerships that take advantage of existing agency personnel, resources, and responsibilities and coordinates their mutual interests and duties to meet the specific needs of these children. This training looks at overcoming the challenges in aligning systems responsible for preventing, intervening, and treating these issues to change the trajectories of the lives of drug-endangered children and break multigenerational cycles of abuse and neglect. Online and webinar sessions and other technical assistance resources are also offered, including online Core DEC training from a live classroom setting.

Contact: www.nationaldec.org ■ info@nationaldec.org ■ Phone: 641-521-7220

Strategic Applications International (SAI)

Tribal Public Law 280 Policing Partnerships: This project offered tailored technical assistance that comprised a two-day community-oriented policing training augmented with cultural dialogue training and action planning at four sites. Participants included sheriffs, chiefs of police, U.S. attorneys, and tribal leaders. The results of the on-site technical assistance are being used to help develop a web-based training curriculum tailored to Public Law 280 communities to enhance tribal and non-tribal law enforcement cooperation. The online curriculum is anticipated to be available in 2017.



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