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READOUT OF PRINCIPAL DEPUTY ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL KATHARINE T. SULLIVAN'S APPEARANCE AT THE NATIVE AMERICAN ISSUES SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING AUGUST 28, 2019

SANTA ANA PUEBLO, NM – Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General Katharine T. Sullivan today addressed 75 U.S. Attorneys, Assistant U.S. Attorneys and other federal officials at a meeting of the Native American Issues Subcommittee meeting. A subcommittee of the Attorney General's Advisory Committee, the NAIS is made up of about 25 U.S. Attorneys serving in districts that include Indian country. Chaired by U.S. Attorney Trent Shores from the Northern District of Oklahoma, the subcommittee makes policy recommendations to the Attorney General regarding public safety and legal issues that affect tribal communities.

PDAAG Sullivan discussed OJP's commitment to supporting public safety and victim assistance in American Indian and Alaska Native communities. Last year, OJP and the Department's Office on Violence Against Women and Office of Community Oriented Policing Services awarded 225 grants, totaling more than \$113 million, to 125 separate tribes under the Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation. OJP's Office for Victims of Crime awarded an additional 153 grants, totaling \$88 million, under a first-ever Tribal Victim Service Set-Aside. OVC is making an additional \$167 million in set-aside funding available this year.

PDAAG Sullivan also discussed other tribal-centered efforts, including OJP's work through the National Institute of Justice to address the crisis of missing and murdered native people and its expansion of the AMBER Alert network into tribal lands.

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