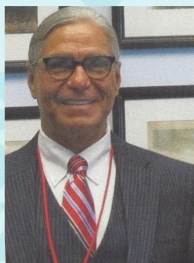




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Welcome Message from New TFMC Project Director



Stanley Holder
TFMC Project Director

My name is Stanley Holder. I am the new Project Director of the OVC Tribal Financial Management Center (TFMC). I am an enrolled member of the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes, from Anadarko, Oklahoma currently living in Albuquerque, New Mexico. I have worked with the Bureau of Indian Education as well as in several capacities for federally recognized tribes. I also served as the Vice President of the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes.

I believe strong financial management is the cornerstone for successful operations in addressing the needs of victims of crime in Indian Country and across Alaska. TFMC provides training, technical assistance, and support for tribes and tribal entities with grants from the Office for Victims of Crime to provide services to crime victims. My goal is to build upon the important work of TFMC to serve tribal grantees in a culturally humble manner.

We recognize the current challenges to our communities and tribal operations. TFMC continues to provide virtual service, support, and TA to assist grantees with the financial management of their OVC awards so tribal victim service programs continue to thrive during these uncertain times. When it is again safe to do so, TFMC will expand our services to include onsite sessions, presentations at national events, and other forms of face to face outreach and training. In the meantime, the staff at TFMC are adapting to your needs and providing the highest quality service to tribal grantees.

Sheree Hukill is now the Senior Tribal Liaison/Training Curriculum Development Director. We are excited about this new position and her continued contributions to the project. We are fortunate to have her expertise and experience as TFMC expands its offerings.

I am proud to be part of this team and look forward to assisting tribal grantees in developing and maintaining strong, effective programs that address the needs of victims of crime across our communities. If you haven't seen the video message from OVC Director Hart on the establishment of a new Tribal Division, [please view it here](#).

TFMC is Ready For Your Input!

TFMC is conducting its launch of the financial needs assessment! This is an opportunity for grantees to share specific information about their financial practices to inform our training and technical assistance support and ensure individualized support. If you have received an email invitation to participate in the survey, we encourage your response. The deadline for survey submission is September 10, 2020. We look forward to hearing from you!



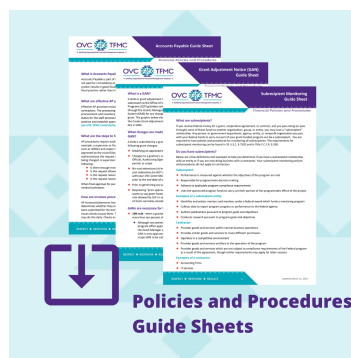
First Virtual Learning Circle Attended by Alaska Grantees

TFMC was honored to have several Alaskan grantees attend our first virtual Learning Circle on August 19. Initially designed as an in-person offering, TFMC has adapted this model for virtual participation. Participants openly shared the successes and challenges of the Victim Services Set Aside (VSSA) award implementation phase, highlighted the importance of a sustainability plan and laughed about how we could all use some more self-care. Thank you to those who attended and shared their valuable feedback! We look forward to sharing more stories soon as we plan to convene additional virtual Learning Circles in other regions throughout Alaska and the lower 48.

Latest Tools and Resources

Financial Management Guide Sheets

Plain language, easy-to-follow tools organized by topic area designed to assist grant and fiscal managers as they develop and expand policies and procedures as well as manage the financial aspects of their federal awards. Click here to view the [TFMC Guide Sheets](#) including one on [Records Retention](#).



Webinars and Microlearnings

Access recorded webinars, microlearnings and associated resources, such as the [Budget Line Item Revision Template \(Excel\)](#).

[View on OVCTFMC.org](#)

Upcoming Events

GMS/GPRS Transition. The use of Office of Justice Programs (OJP) legacy systems, including GMS, NexGen, and GPRS, **will be discontinued on September 22, 2020**. OJP is authorizing grantees to drawdown 30 days advance funding in the Grants Payment Request System (GPRS) beginning **September 15-22** to prepare for the transition as grantees will not have access to GMS or GPRS after September 22. The new system JustGrants launches on October 15. [OJP Grantee Action Dates](#) for System Transition has additional information about the system transition from GMS to JustGrants. Please share this information with your colleagues and reach out to TFMC or your OVC Grant Manager directly if you have any questions.

[Tribal Victims of Crime Funding Opportunity for Alaskan tribal communities](#) to develop services for victims of crime. Communities may apply for up to \$350,000 for a two-year period of performance. Applications are due **September 15, 2020**.

Upcoming TFMC Webinar - Single Audit and Corrective Action Plan Guide is scheduled for **Wednesday, September 23** at 2:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. eastern (11:00 p.m. – 12:15 p.m. pacific). Registration coming soon.

The 2020 Census is happening now. [Respond today.](#)

Reporting Requirements

FFRs for the period ending 9/30/2020 will be due in JustGrants no later than 11/30/2020. The due date has been extended 30 days to accommodate the transition to JustGrants. Grantees can submit FFRs in the JustGrants starting on 10/15/2020. A withholding of funds will be applied after 11/30/2020 for any report that has not been submitted. The hold will remain in place until submission.

Federal Financial Reports (known as the "SF-425" or the "FFR") are due quarterly as follows:

<u>Reporting Quarter</u> January 1 - March 31 April 1 - June 30 July 1 - September 30 October 1 - December 31	<u>Due No Later Than</u> June 30 July 30 October 30* (due date extended) January 30
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GMS Semi-Annual Progress Reports are usually due as follows or as listed in the solicitation:

<u>Reporting Period</u> January 1 - June 30 July 1 - December 31	<u>Due by (no later than 30 days after the end of the reporting period):</u> July 30 January 30
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GMS Help Desk: 888-549-9901

GMS Email: GMS.HelpDesk@usdoj.gov

Log into GMS: <https://grants.ojp.usdoj.gov/gmsexternal>

Quarterly PMT and Financial Status Reports are usually due as follows or as listed in the solicitation:

<u>Reporting Period</u> January 1 – March 31 April 1 – June 30 July 1 – September 30 October 1 – December 31	<u>Due by (no later than 30 days after the end of the reporting period):</u> June 30 July 30 October 30* (due date extended) January 30
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OVC PMT Help Desk Phone Number: 844-884-2503

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Shared Wisdom

"The ultimate is not to win, but to reach within the depths of your capabilities and to compete against yourself to the greatest extent possible. When you do that, you have dignity. You have the pride. You can walk about with character and pride no matter in what place you happen to finish."

– Billy Mills (Oglala Lakota – Sioux)



Contact the OVC TFMC Virtual Support Center

Ask questions and/or request individualized grant financial management training and technical assistance by calling the OVC Tribal Financial Management Center (OVC TFMC) Virtual Support Center 703-462-6900 or emailing TFMC@OVCTFMC.org.

OVC Tribal Financial Management Center (OVC TFMC) provides **training, technical assistance, and resources** to support American Indian and Alaska Native communities as they successfully manage the financial aspects of their federal awards. OVC TFMC also offers support via our Virtual Support Center (VSC) to Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) grantees and those seeking federal funding from OVC for the first time. **Email questions or requests for grant financial management technical assistance to TFMC@OVCTFMC.org.** Visit OVCTFMC.org for additional resources and information.

Has your grant or financial point of contact recently changed?

Reach out to TFMC@OVCTFMC.org.

To change how you receive these emails [update your preferences](#).
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