



Missing Murdered Indigenous Women & Relatives Meeting

August 31, 2021

Agenda

MMIW Data Initiative, Training Resources, and Partnership with the Urban Indian Health Institute

Presentation by Aubony Burns King County Prosecuting Office, Seattle Washington

Second Judicial District Attorney's Office Establishment of a MMIW Cold Case Unit

Presentation by Raúl Torrez, Bernalillo County District Attorney

Subcommittee Report-out

- Data
- Community Impact
- Systems

Announcements

- **October 1, 2021 (Isleta Pueblo):** MMIWR Task Force Presentation to the Legislative Health and Human Services Committee & Interim Indian Affairs Committee.
- **October 19, 2021 (Pueblo of Jemez):** Second presentation to the Interim Indian Affairs Committee.
- **Southwest Indian Law Clinic (SILC) Partnership**

Report out: Data Subcommittee

- In NM's NCIC database, Regina Chacon got permission from FBI to add a field for tribal affiliation. Is there anything else, perhaps another field that is needed now that NM has permission to fix the fields.
- There is a very low reporting rate from tribal law enforcement- what can DPS do to help educate and work on getting data entered.
- Establishing a Missing Person Day in NM to model Arizona efforts.
- Encourage tribes to report to NCIC and look at developing model codes & model policy for tribes that don't have a written code/policy.
- Explore National Incident Based Reporting System for data collection on NIBRS.

Report out: Systems Subcommittee

- Request a presentation from Minnesota Task Force to discuss Missing and Murdered Indigenous Relatives Office.
- Develop a template for a human trafficking code (NMAG has attorneys who can assist).
- Navajo Nation passed anti-human trafficking legislation (2017) that may serve as a model for other tribal communities.
- Need to look at streamlining the process for cross-commissioning within DPS- there is no step-by-step process or primary points of contact identified.
- Complete further research on cross-commissions by looking at Arizona statutes which allows tribal law enforcement to be automatically commissioned with the state if they are federally certified.
- Reach out to NMLEA to discuss training requirements/challenges for a commissioning model that mirrors AZ.

Report out: Community Impact Subcommittee

- Reach out to the NM Behavioral Health Collaborative to see identify their goals/objectives to see if anything aligns.
- Make a request to the ABA to start a division that deals with MMIW issues & allowing an attorney to donate time pro bono to assist families with navigating the system (Make a pitch to NM Bar- Indian Law Section).
- The state can assist families by establishing a fund to provide financial assistance to families searching for missing relatives.
- Develop a training for shelter staff with support from the transgender resource center.
- Work with PED to develop curriculum on recognizing dangerous situations and internet safety classes for youth.
- IAD/DOH PSA campaign on awareness/prevention of sexual violence, domestic violence, and bullying.
- Training employees at places where trafficking occurs such as hotels, gas stations, rest stops.
- Establish intergenerational programming with a focus on creating healthy relationships (talking circles with elders).

Subcommittee Meeting Schedule

Data Subcommittee:

**Thursday, September 2, 2021,
1:00 pm-3:00 pm**

Systems Subcommittee:

**Thursday, September 9, 2021,
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm**

Community Impact Subcommittee:

***(TBD – please respond to
survey ASAP)***

Assignments:

1. Identify any legislative proposals that can be presented to the Interim Indian Affairs Committee meeting.
 - Include any outstanding questions, research needed, etc.
2. Send proposals to Chair Lynn Trujillo (and copy Stephanie Salazar) by **Friday September 17th**.