

Tribal/Interior Budget Council

2018

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Public Safety & Justice Subcommittee Report

Subcommittee Overview

- We had reports from the Department of the Interior and the Department of Justice
- Members asked questions regarding the President's FY 19 funding proposals and changes to programs
- Members also addressed ongoing FY 18 programs and their experience with grants.

Subcommittee Priorities

- Concerns regarding decrease in COPS funding in the President's FY 2019 budget proposal.
- \$ 30 Million (FY 18) to \$ 10 million in (FY 19).
 - No explanation was provided as to why the large \$ decrease.
- The President has also proposed moving COPS under OJP.

Subcommittee Priorities

- Victims of Crime Fund – (FY 18) 3% Tribal Set Aside
- First round of funding included a “streamlined” process that still required Tribal Nations to submit **over 80 pages** for their initial application.

Subcommittee Priorities

- The Department of Justice grants are some of the most complex applications for Tribal Nations.
- Need to have **meaningful consultation** with the DOJ to truly streamline all grant processes & funding formulas.
 - Other agencies have a better process that can be a base model going forward.
 - Need to have **DOJ leadership** attend consultation to create buy in to change the process.

- **Indian Nations Conference in December**
 - Wednesday, December 5, 2018 through Friday, December 7, 2018, on the reservation of the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, California
- For the next Subcommittee Meeting, propose possible specific ways the applications could be shortened. DOJ offered to bring the Office of the General Counsel.

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- Questions?
- Concerns?
- Comments?