

supportive documentation in its application and a request for inclusion (see Native American Tribal Application Requirements in part V).

In computing Native American tribal allocations, we will use the latest available population figures from the Census Bureau. Where Census Bureau data are unavailable, we will use figures from the Bureau Indian Affairs Indian Population and Labor Force Report.

Because section 304 of the Act specifies a minimum base amount for State allocations, we have set a base amount for Native American tribal allocations. Since FY 1986, we have found in practice that the establishment of a base amount has facilitated our efforts to make a fair and equitable distribution of limited grant funds.

Native American tribes and tribal organizations that meet application requirements are awarded base grants in amounts determined by the following chart:

Category number	Tribal population	Will receive a base amount of—
1	1–1,500	\$2,000
2	1,501–3,000 ..	3,500
3	3,001–4,000 ..	4,500
4	4,001–5,000 ..	5,500
5	5,001–6,000 ..	6,500
6	6,001–7,000 ..	7,500
7	7,001–8,000 ..	8,500
8	8,001–9,000 ..	9,500
9	9,001–10,000 ..	10,500
10	10,001–12,000 ..	13,000
11	12,001–14,000 ..	15,000
12	14,001–16,000 ..	17,000
13	16,001–18,000 ..	19,000
14	18,001–20,000 ..	21,000
15	20,001–22,000 ..	23,000
16	22,001–24,000 ..	25,000
17	24,001–26,000 ..	27,000
18	26,001–28,000 ..	29,000
19	28,001–30,000 ..	31,000
20	30,001–32,000 ..	33,000
21	32,001–34,000 ..	35,000
22	34,001–36,000 ..	37,000
23	36,001–38,000 ..	39,000
24	38,001–40,000 ..	41,000
25	40,001–42,000 ..	43,000
26	42,001–44,000 ..	45,000
27	44,001–46,000 ..	47,000
28	46,001–48,000 ..	49,000
29	48,001–50,000 ..	51,000
30	50,001–100,000 ..	125,000
31	100,001–150,000 ..	175,000
32	150,001 and over.	225,000

Once the base amounts have been distributed to the tribes that have applied for family violence funding, the ratio of the tribe's population to the total population of all the applicant tribes is then considered in allocating the remainder of the funds. By distributing

a proportional amount plus a base amount to the tribes we have accounted for the variance in actual population and scope of the family violence programs. As in previous years, tribes are encouraged to apply as consortia for the family violence funding.

Part III. General Grant Requirements Applicable to States and Native American Tribes

A. Definitions

States and Native American tribes should use the following definitions in carrying out their programs. These definitions are found in section 309 of the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (the Act).

(1) *Family Violence*: Any act or threatened act of violence, including any forceful detention of an individual, which (a) results or threatens to result in physical injury and (b) is committed by a person against another individual (including an elderly person) to whom such person is or was related by blood or marriage or otherwise legally related or with whom such person is or was lawfully residing.

(2) *Shelter*: The provision of temporary refuge and related assistance in compliance with applicable State law and regulation governing the provision, on a regular basis, which includes shelter, safe homes, meals, and related assistance to victims of family violence and their dependents.

(3) *Related assistance*: The provision of direct assistance to victims of family violence and their dependents for the purpose of preventing further violence, helping such victims to gain access to civil and criminal courts and other community services, facilitating the efforts of such victims to make decisions concerning their lives in the interest of safety, and assisting such victims in healing from the effects of the violence. Related assistance includes:

(a) Services such as outreach and prevention services for victims and their children, employment training, parenting and other educational services for victims and their children, preventive health services within domestic violence programs (including nutrition, disease prevention, exercise, and prevention of substance abuse), domestic violence prevention programs for school age children, family violence public awareness campaigns, and violence prevention counseling services to abusers; prevention services such as education on family cohesion, marital stability, and conflict resolution; and valuing individual choices made within the context of personal spirituality, to

include faith-based belief systems, and or tribal traditions.

(b) Counseling with respect to family violence, counseling or other supportive services by peers individually or in groups, and referral to community social services;

(c) Transportation, technical assistance with respect to obtaining financial assistance under Federal and State programs, and referrals for appropriate health-care services (including alcohol and drug abuse treatment), but does not include reimbursement for any health-care services;

(d) Legal advocacy to provide victims with information and assistance through the civil and criminal courts, and legal assistance; or

(e) Children's counseling and support services, and child care services for children who are victims of family violence or the dependents of such victims.

B. Expenditure Periods

The family violence prevention funds under the Act may be used for obligations on and after October 1 of each fiscal year for which they are granted, and will be available for expenditure through September 30 of the following fiscal year. This means that FY 2003 funds may be used for obligations through September 30, 2004. Recipients must liquidate all obligations incurred under the award by September 30, 2005.

The family violence prevention funds allotted to Native American tribes and tribal organizations may be used on or after July 1 of each fiscal year for which they are granted, and will be available through June 30 of the following fiscal year. This means that FY 2003 funds may be used for obligations through June 30, 2004. Recipients must liquidate all obligations incurred under the award by June 30, 2005.

C. Reporting Requirements: Content Requirements of the State and Tribal Performance Report

Section 303(a)(4) requires that States file a performance report with the Department describing the activities carried out, and including an assessment of the effectiveness of those activities in achieving the purposes of the grant. A section of this performance report must be completed by each grantee or subgrantee that performed the direct services contemplated in the State's application certifying performance of such services. State grantees should compile performance reports into a comprehensive report for submission.