- Finalize the script or narrative;
- Secure the subjects and film location; and
- Secure technical staff to videotape and produce the sound track.

II. Videotape Production

During this phase, the grantee will:

- Film the videotapes and produce the sound track;
 - Edit and produce a draft videotape;
- Submit the draft for OVC review and approval;
- Draft and submit the user's guide for OVC review and approval;
 - Edit and refine the user's guide;
- Draft, submit and finalize a brochure publicizing the videotape and giving information on how to obtain it;
 - Finalize all products; and
- Produce a final report on the project. Upon completion of the project, the grantee will furnish OVC with a master copy of the videotape, and camera-ready copy and floppy disk of the guidebook for reproduction and dissemination.

Eligibility Requirements: In addition to the requirements of Sections VI–XI, applicants must demonstrate:

- Expertise in professional quality videotape production;
- Knowledge of issues associated with the criminal justice system's handling of crime victims;
- Specific knowledge of one or more of the topic areas articulated in this announcement; and
- Management and financial capability to oversee a project of this size and scope.

Award Period: 12 months.

Contact: Vicki Rapoport, (202) 616–3572, regarding the Cultural Diversity and Path Through the Criminal Justice System videotapes, and Susan Laurence, (202) 616–3573, regarding the Victim Issues for Parole Boards videotape.

Resources for National Crime Victims Rights Week, 1996 (Cooperative Agreement)

Award Amount: \$25,000

Purpose: To draw national attention to National Crime Victims Rights Week, 1996 through the development of public relations strategies and the dissemination of materials in the form of a kit.

Background: Each year since 1982, National Crime Victims Rights Week (NCVRW) has been formally designated and commemorated at the Federal level during the month of April. The observance of this event serves as a reminder that, not so long ago, crime victims were treated only as witnesses for the prosecution—often denied the dignity, respect, and assistance to which

they are entitled. NCVRW affords the nation the opportunity to acknowledge the plight of crime victims and to recognize the numerous reforms that have been instituted to advance their rights and respond to their unique needs.

Goal: To heighten public awareness of victim issues nationwide.

Objective: To develop and disseminate a Crime Victims Rights Week kit with strategies for commemorating the week-long, national event.

Program Strategy: This solicitation invites applications for one grantee to conceptualize, develop, and produce a NCVRW kit for use by victim service providers, advocates, elected leaders, and the general public in commemorating the national event. Project applications may include suggestions for observance of NCVRW at the state, local and Federal levels, including sample poster art, public service announcements, fact sheets, and commemorative activities. Applications shall also include a specific plan for disseminating the kit as broadly as possible.

The selected applicant will be expected to work closely with the OVC project monitor and to ensure that all project deliverables are produced and disseminated well in advance of NCVRW events to ensure their timely use by the field.

Eligibility Requirements: In addition to the requirements of Sections VI–XI, applicants must demonstrate general knowledge of victim issues and previous public relations experience.

Award Period: 12 months. Contact: Celestine Williams, (202) 616–3565.

D. New Native American Programs

Training and Technical Assistance for Victims of Federal Crime in Indian Country Discretionary Grant Subgrantees (Cooperative Agreement)

Award Amount: \$160,000.

Purpose: To provide program materials and training and technical assistance that are uniquely tailored to the needs of Native American communities that have received funds under the Assistance to Victims of Federal Crime in Indian Country (VAIC) Discretionary Grant Program.

Background: The VAIC Program established victim assistance programs in remote areas of Indian Country where there were limited or no existing services for victims of crime. Since 1989, OVC has awarded \$5.4 million to nineteen states. As a result, more than 50 Native American victim assistance

programs have been established in the States of Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, Wisconsin, and Wyoming.

As each program is unique to the Native American community it serves, an individual approach to meeting the training and technical assistance needs of these programs is required. The program will provide training and technical assistance and materials specifically tailored to each program.

Goals:

- To enhance, expand, and improve services provided by Native American and tribal subgrantees that have been funded under OVC's VAIC grant program through short-term, on-site training, technical assistance or consultation;
- To develop a video for tribal leaders that illustrates how the VAIC program should work; and
- To develop a manual that assists Indian tribes in establishing and expanding victim assistance programs in Native American communities.

Objectives:

- To survey 19 state victim assistance grantees regarding the need their subgrantees have for training, technical assistance, or consultation;
- To develop and maintain a register of experienced consultants who are qualified to provide technical assistance, or peer consultation that is culturally relevant to Native American communities in the area of victim assistance, including child abuse, domestic violence and sexual assault;
- To develop a script or film treatment that illustrates the benefits of a victim assistance program and depicts how a successful victim assistance program is integrated into tribal law enforcement and social service systems;
- To develop, print, and disseminate a program manual to all VAIC subrecipients; and
- To evaluate and summarize the effectiveness of each training, as well as the project as a whole, and recommend future training and technical assistance strategies.

Program Strategy: To accomplish the goals and objectives of this project, the grantee will:

- Develop and complete a survey of 19 state grantees to assess the range and type of training and technical assistance needed by subgrantees;
- Acquire a copy of each state agency's application kit and guidelines to assist subgrantees in developing an application for continued funding;