

renewal has been sent to the Denver Office for review/approval by the Commissioner's Office.

14. P-SMBP, Kansas: Anticipate initiating negotiations for renewal of long-term water service contracts with the Kirwin and Webster IDs in the Solomon River Basin in Kansas which were extended for a period of 4 years in accordance with Public Law 104-326 enacted October 19, 1996. Water service contracts will be renewed prior to expiration.

Completed contract actions:

11. P-SMBP, Kansas and Nebraska: Long-term water supply renewal contracts with Kansas-Bostwick, Bostwick ID in Nebraska, Frenchman Valley, Frenchman-Cambridge, and Almena IDs were executed on July 25, 2000. The renewed long-term water service contracts will take effect January 1, 2001.

34. Tom Green County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1, San Angelo Project, Texas: The District requested deferment of its 2000 construction payment. The deferment has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior. A public notice for this action was printed in the San Angelo Times. The 60-day comment period ended July 3, 2000. The deferment of the 2000 construction payment was signed on July 11, 2000.

Dated: October 6, 2000.

Wayne O. Deason,

Associate Director., Office of Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Parole Commission

Sunshine Act Meeting

Public Announcement

Pursuant To The Government In the Sunshine Act (Public Law 94-409) [5 U.S.C. Section 522b].

Agency Holding Meeting: Department of Justice, United States Parole Commission.

Time and Date: 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, October 17, 2000.

Place: 5550 Friendship Blvd., Fourth Floor, Chevy Chase, MD 20815.

Status: Open.

Matters to be Considered: The following matters have been placed on the agenda for the open Parole Commission meeting:

1. Approval of minutes of previous Commission meeting.

2. Reports from the Chairman, Commissioners, Legal, Chief of Staff,

Case Operations, and Administrative Sections.

3. Discussion of the proposed Interim Rules for District of Columbia Supervised Release.

Agency Contact: Sam Robertson, Case Operations, United States Parole Commission, (301) 492-5962.

Dated: October 10, 2000.

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General Counsel, U.S. Parole Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Parole Commission

Sunshine Act Meeting

Public Announcement

Pursuant To The Government In the Sunshine Act (Public Law 94-409) [5 U.S.C. Section 552b].

Agency Holding Meeting: Department of Justice, United States Parole Commission.

Date and Time: 12 p.m., Tuesday, October 17, 2000.

Place: U.S. Parole Commission, 5550 Friendship Boulevard, 4th Floor, Chevy Chase, Maryland 20815.

Status: Closed—Meeting.

Matters Considered: The following matter will be considered during the closed portion of the Commission's Business Meeting: Appeals to the Commission involving approximately three cases decided by the National Commissioners pursuant to a reference under 28 CFR 2.27. These cases were originally heard by an examiner panel wherein inmates of Federal prisons have applied for parole or are contesting revocation of parole or mandatory release.

Agency Contact: Sam Robertson, Case Operations, United States Parole Commission, (301) 492-5962.

Dated: October 10, 2000.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Office for Victims of Crime

[OJP(OVC)-1300]

Children's Justice Act Partnerships for Indian Communities

AGENCY: Office of Justice Programs, Office for Victims of Crime, Justice.

ACTION: Notice of availability of funds.

SUMMARY: The Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) is publishing this notice to announce a \$500,000 discretionary grant program for federally recognized Indian tribal governments and tribal organizations designed to improve the handling of severe child abuse cases, particularly cases of child sexual abuse, in a manner which limits additional trauma to the child while improving the investigation and prosecution of these cases.

DATES: Applications must be received by 5:00 p.m. ET on Thursday, November 30, 2000.

ADDRESSES: All application packages should be sent to the Office for Victims of Crime, Federal Crime Victims Division, 810 Seventh Street, NW., Washington, DC 20531. If sending applications by express mail, the zip code should be 20001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For a copy of the solicitation or for information about application procedures, please call Cathy Sanders at (202) 616-3578 or e-mail at <cathy@ojp.usdoj.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Statutory Authority

This action is authorized by the Victims of Crime Act of 1984 (VOCA), as amended, 42 U.S.C. 10601 *et seq.* The Act established a Crime Victims Fund in the Department of the Treasury made up of monies received from federal criminal fines; special penalty assessments; forfeited appearance bonds, bail bonds and collateral security; and literary profits due convicted federal defendants. Under the provisions of 42 U.S.C. 10601 (d)(2), the first \$20,000,000 deposited in the Fund in a particular year shall be available for grants as provided in 42 U.S.C. 10603(a). Under 42 U.S.C. 10601 (g)(1) the Attorney General, acting through the Director of OVC, is authorized to use 15 percent of these funds for the purposes of assisting Indian tribes in developing, establishing, and operating programs designed to improve the handling, investigation, and prosecution of child abuse cases, especially child sexual abuse cases. OVC has labeled this program as the Children's Justice Act Partnerships for Indian Communities Discretionary Grant Program (CJA).

Background

The Children's Justice and Assistance Act was passed in 1986 to provide funds to states to establish programs to effectively handle child abuse cases. In 1988, the Anti-Drug Abuse Act amended