NATIONAL CENTER FOR RURAL LAW ENFORCEMENT
TRIBAL TECHNOLOGY INFORMATION SHARING SYSTEM

Many tribal justice agencies face major difficulties when trying to implement or update their computer resources. Having the right hardware, staff support, and funding can enable them to use innovative law enforcement technologies in sharing vital information with other departments, tribes, and justice agencies.

To help tribal agencies overcome barriers, the Tribal Technology Information Sharing Outreach Program (TTISOP) provides free technical information and support online at www.tjiss.net. The Office of Justice Programs' Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) provides leadership and support to the National Center for Rural Law Enforcement (NCRLE) of the University of Arkansas System to provide this valuable resource to tribal agencies.

The web site, called the Tribal Justice Information Sharing System (TJISS), provides agencies with a wealth of information technology training materials and assessment tools, which were developed and compiled by technologists experienced in working with tribal agencies, organizations, and community groups nationwide.

Overall, the TJISS web site helps empower agencies to better assess, plan, and implement information technology and information sharing systems, dramatically improving agencies' ability to serve their communities. Specific benefits include:

- Customized technical assistance via a toll-free help desk.

- Numerous technical self-assessment tools and templates to address the proper protocols for technical assessment.

- Analysis of computer hardware, software, and network resources.

- Telephonic and electrical infrastructure.

- Technical personnel.

- Information on vendor trends and current technologies.

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