

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

RURAL JUSTICE COLLABORATIVE

REQUEST INPUT FROM RURAL JUSTICE STAKEHOLDERS – LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD

We invite you to complete the questionnaire below to inform the development of a *Rural Justice Roadmap*. This initiative is part of the [RJC's 2022-2023 priorities](#) as outlined [here](#) and will communicate the funding, training, technical assistance, and research needs of rural justice and public safety practitioners.

PROGRAMS/INITIATIVES

The questionnaire is designed to collect information from **rural justice and public safety practitioners** (e.g., judges, law enforcement, pretrial and probation officers, corrections, prosecutors, defense attorneys), **rural justice and public safety partners** (e.g., substance use treatment providers, public health staff, child welfare staff), and **rural project coordinators** managing cross-sector projects.

RESEARCH & REPORTS

The RJC is partnering with the [Institute for Intergovernmental Research](#) (IIR) and [RTI International](#) to develop the *Rural Justice Roadmap*. IIR and RTI International support the [Rural Responses to the Opioid Epidemic initiative](#) sponsored by the Bureau of Justice Assistance's (BJA) Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Program. This initiative receives funding and other support from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the State Justice Institute (SJI).

PODCASTS

The deadline to complete the survey is **April 1, 2022**.
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Rural communities face unique challenges that impact their ability to deliver fair and equitable justice. Despite these challenges, rural communities rely on their many strengths to address the needs of their residents.

The National Center for State Courts, in partnership with Rulo Strategies, launched the Rural Justice Collaborative (RJC) to showcase the strengths of rural communities and highlight the cross-sector collaboration that is a hallmark of rural justice systems.

The work under the RJC is supported by a crosssector advisory council composed of rural judges along with additional stakeholders in the justice, child welfare, and behavioral health systems. The advisory council guides and identifies innovative programs and practices.

FIRST RESPONDERS-COMPREHENSIVE ADDICTION AND RECOVERY SUPPORT SERVICES ACT GRANT

**Application Deadline
April 5, 2022**

SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION



[How to Apply](#)

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) is accepting applications for fiscal year 2022 First Responders-Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Support Services Act Grant.

The purpose of this program is to provide resources to first responders and members of other key community sectors at the state, tribal, and other government levels to train, carry and administer Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act approved drugs and devices for emergency reversal of known or suspected opioid overdose.

[For More Information](#)

RURAL COMMUNITIES' OPIOID RESPONSE PROGRAM BEHAVIORAL HEALTH GRANT

**Application Deadline:
April 19, 2022**

HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION



[How to Apply](#)

The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) recently opened its annual funding opportunity, the Rural Communities Opioid Response Program – Behavioral Health Care Support (RCORP-BHS). Ultimately, RCORP-BHS aims to reduce morbidity and mortality of SUD, including opioid use disorder (OUD), in these communities. The funder expects to award 26 grants of up to \$500,000 per year over a four-year period.

For detailed descriptions of allowable activities and consortium eligibility requirements, see the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) [available for download here](#).

[For More Information](#)



PROGRAMS/INITIATIVES

COLORADO'S JAIL BASED BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES (JBBS)

The goal of the Colorado JBBS Program is to provide appropriate behavioral health services to inmates while supporting continuity of care within the community after release from incarceration. JBBS, which started as a regional effort, currently operates as a county-run program under state supervision. Programs such as the one at the [Moffat County Jail](#) are already seeing promising results. Preliminary data shows 40% of JBBS patients from have followed up with counseling and other services once released from the jail.

[For More Information](#)

ANNOUNCING SHIFT: A PEER-TO-PEER INITIATIVE TO PREVENT TEEN DATING VIOLENCE

“Dating violence occurs nearly twice as often among rural teenagers than it does among non-rural teens, making this a crucial program for Preble County and rural Montgomery County,” said Mady DeVivo, transitional housing and aftercare case manager and Shift adviser. Dayton, Ohio’s newest prevention education program, Shift, utilizes high school students who serve as role models to provide health and wellness education to their fellow students through interactive programming, peer-to-peer outreach, and resource connections.

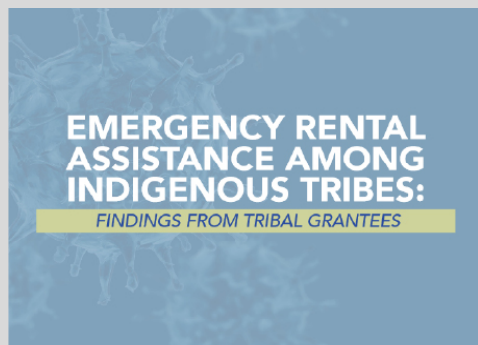
[For More Information](#)

IN A TINY NEW MEXICO COURTROOM, A PUSH TO DELAY EVICTIONS

A Clovis magistrate courtroom became a laboratory for a new eviction diversion program this month, ushering in a major change to state housing policy that aims to bring the rental market closer to normal while also staving off a wave of evictions amid a lingering pandemic.

[For More Information](#)

RESEARCH & REPORTS



[NLIHC Releases New Report on Emergency Rental Assistance among Indigenous Tribes \(2022\)](#)

A new report from the National Low Income Housing Coalition, explains that tribal grantees face unique challenges and barriers to implementing Emergency Rental Assistance programs. The research examines these key characteristics as well as lessons learned from tribal experience with the programs.

PODCASTS



[The Center Collaborative Podcast](#)

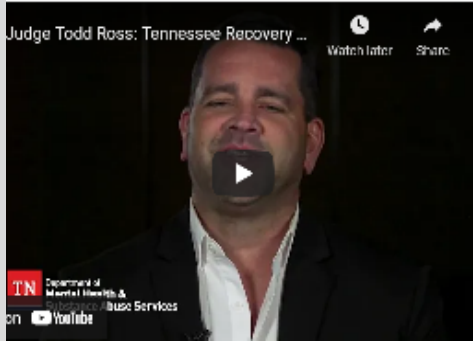
From the Oregon Center on Behavioral Health and Criminal Justice, the Center Collaborative podcast shines a light on partnerships that are moving the dial, leading to better solutions and outcomes for people who may become involved with the justice system due to experiencing behavioral health, intellectual/developmental disabilities, or neurocognitive concerns.



[Expanding Access to Justice in Rural Communities \(January 2022\)](#)

Experts discuss how the legal system operates in rural communities and how to expand access to justice in these regions on the latest episode of Talk Justice. -hosted by Legal Service Corporation President Ron Flagg.

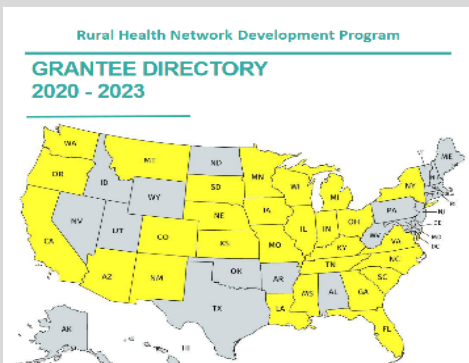
VIDEOS



[Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services \(TNMHSAS\) Publishes 12 Videos Highlighting Tennessee’s Recovery Courts](#)

Tennessee has a total of 82 Recovery Courts, Veterans Treatment Courts, Mental Health Courts, Juvenile and Family, and DUI courts which offer a rigorous program of treatment, testing, and therapy as an alternative to incarceration. The video profiles feature professionals at all levels of the court system from judges and prosecutors to program coordinators, case workers, and even one court graduate who is now employed providing peer support in a court.

RESOURCE



[Rural Health Network Development Program \(RHND\) 2020-2023 Grantee Directory](#)

This Directory provides contact information and a brief description of the 44 rural health networks funded during the 2020-2023 grant period.