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WEEKLY NEWS BRIEF

BJA Provides \$27 million to Drug Courts and Mental Health Programs in Fiscal Year 2012 – The Office of Justice Programs’ Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) recently announced awards of \$27 million under the Drug Court Program and the Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program (JMHCPC). These BJA programs provide assistance and support for states, tribes and localities offering specialized services for individuals in the justice system with substance abuse and mental health disorders. [LINK](#)

OJJDP Bulletin Outlines Best Practices for Professionals Supervising Underage Drinking – The Office of Justice Programs’ Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) recently released *Underage Drinking: Practice Guidelines for Community Corrections*. The bulletin provides 10 evidence-based recommendations for professionals working with youth who are referred to community corrections for underage drinking and related offenses. The bulletin is available at <http://www.ojjdp.gov/pubs/237231.pdf>

BJS Releases Report on Tribal Crime Data Collection Activities – The Office of Justice Programs’ Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) today released *Tribal Crime Data Collection Activities, 2012*, describing BJS’s efforts to collect and improve data on crime and justice in Indian country, as required by the Tribal Law and Order Act of 2010. The report summarizes the comprehensive BJS outreach and collaboration strategy to implement a census of courts operating in Indian country. It also presents data from the U.S. Census Bureau’s 2010 Census of Population and Housing about American Indians and Alaska Natives (AI/AN), their tribal affiliations, and the populations of AI/AN reservations and villages. www.BJS.gov

Did you know ...

The Office of Justice Program’s final list of Fiscal Year 2012 grant awards is now posted at <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/funding/funding.htm>. In FY 2012, OJP awarded 7,669 grants for more than \$2 billion. The grants can be searched by state, county and congressional district.

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