

Bush justice prepares Grant for 2nd year

The Bush Justice Project is now preparing a grant proposal for a second year. The new Project is called the Village Law and Justice Training Project and will be sponsored by a Native community through the Federal Law Enforcement Assistance Administration.

If the Project is funded the \$150,000 requested, it will provide training to the leadership of ten Native communities in the justice powers of local units of government.

The Project will also assist these ten communities in writing valid village ordinances which take into account local customs and values.

The grant application fills a long-felt need for justice education at the local government level. It will be submitted to the Governor's Commission on the Administration of Justice at its meeting in Anchorage on January 15, 1976.

It will then have to obtain the approval of the Federal Law Enforcement Assistance Administration, Region X in Seattle. If the grant proposal clears these hurdles, the Village Law and Justice Training Project will begin in May, 1976.

The Bush Justice Implementation Committee is

continuing its plans for the January 10 and 11 meeting in Ft. Yukon. The staff has prepared a draft report of its visit to both Ft. Yukon and Dillingham.

It is expected those reports will be released to the public after the Committee meeting in Ft. Yukon. The next Committee hearings will be in Southeast Alaska during February and in Nome during March, 1976.