

An Act

LEGISLATIVE ACT 22-26

AN ACT AMENDING LEGISLATIVE ACT #26-25 AUTHORIZING THE COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026 – Mod. 8 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CHEROKEE NATION:

SECTION 1. TITLE AND CODIFICATION

This legislative act shall be titled and codified as “**An Act Amending Legislative Act #26-25 Authorizing the Comprehensive Operating Budget for FY 2026 – Mod. 8**”.

SECTION 2. PURPOSE

The purpose of this amendment is to authorize and approve the use of funds, subject to the availability of such funds, in accordance with Section 4, changing the amounts of certain cost centers approved in the “Comprehensive Budget Act for Fiscal Year 2026” or subsequent amendment. The cumulative total of the budget is increased by \$ 12,737,695 for a total budget authority of \$ 2,959,992,502. The following items are identified as components of such change:

Grants Received & Authorized per LA 26-25 (detail attached)	\$ 1,535,807
Modification Request (see Section 4 below)	<u>11,201,888</u>
Cumulative change in budget authority	<u>\$ 12,737,695</u>

SECTION 3. LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

The provisions of compliance, policy of accountability, authorities and severability provided in Legislative Act #26-25 are applicable to this amendment.

SECTION 4. FUNDING AUTHORIZATIONS

The changes reflect increases to cost centers set forth in the program budget justifications incorporated herein. This modification request changes the total amount of the comprehensive budget authorization by an increase of \$ 11,201,888 to wit:

- A. An increase in the **Tribally Funded** budget authority of \$ 7,683,266.
- B. An increase in the **Indirect Cost Pool** budget authority of \$ 140,000.
- C. An increase in the **DOI Self Governance** budget authority of \$ 2,070,198.
- D. An increase in the **IHS Self Governance Health** budget authority of \$ 524,364.
- E. An increase in the **HUD** budget authority of \$ 784,060.

SECTION 5. PROVISIONS AS CUMULATIVE

The provisions of this Act shall be cumulative to existing law.

SECTION 6. SEVERABILITY

The provisions of this Act are severable and if any part or provision hereof shall be held void, the decision of the court so holding shall not affect or impair any of the remaining parts or provisions of this Act.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE: EMERGENCY DECLARED

It being immediately necessary for the welfare of the Cherokee Nation, the Council of the Cherokee Nation hereby declares that an emergency exists, by reason whereof this Act shall take effect immediately upon its approval and signatures.

SECTION 8. SELF-HELP CONTRIBUTIONS

To the extent that this Act involves programs or services to citizens of the Nation or others, self-help contributions shall be required, unless specifically prohibited by the funding agency, or a waiver is granted due to physical or mental incapacity of the participant to contribute.

Enacted by the Council of the Cherokee Nation on the 8th day of June, 2026



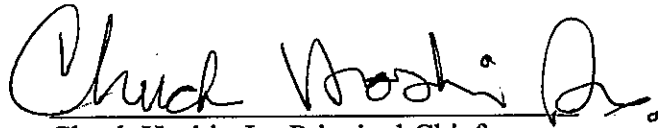
Johnny Jack Kidwell, Speaker
Council of the Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:



Joshua Sam, Secretary
Council of the Cherokee Nation

Approved and signed by the Principal Chief this 11th day of June, 2026



Chuck Hoskin Jr., Principal Chief
Cherokee Nation

ATTEST:



Shella Bowlin, Secretary of State
Cherokee Nation

YEAS AND NAYS AS RECORDED:

Sasha Blackfox-Qualls	<u>Yea</u>	Melvina Shotpouch	<u>Yea</u>
Candessa Tehee	<u>Absent</u>	Kendra McGeady	<u>Yea</u>
Lisa Hall	<u>Yea</u>	Dora Patzkowski	<u>Yea</u>
Uriah Grass	<u>Yea</u>	Joe Deere	<u>Yea</u>
Ashley Grant	<u>Yea</u>	Kevin Easley, Jr.	<u>Yea</u>
Daryl Legg	<u>Yea</u>	Danny Callison	<u>Absent</u>
Joshua Sam	<u>Yea</u>	Johnny Jack Kidwell	<u>Absent</u>
Codey Poindexter	<u>Yea</u>	Julia Coates	<u>Yea</u>
Clifton Hughes	<u>Yea</u>		

CHEROKEE NATION
 PROPOSED FY 2026 AMENDMENT
 Sorted by Funding Source

			Data		
Funding Source	Ref # by FS	Program/Purpose	Amend. Change to Sources	Amend. Expenses Total Change	Net Change
40-DHHS General	1	34015900 IHS SAPATA	142,124	142,124	\$ -
40-DHHS General Total			142,124	142,124	\$ -
79-Fed Other	2	37941500 AmeriCorps Gadugi	929,113	929,113	\$ -
79-Fed Other Total			929,113	929,113	\$ -
80-State of Oklahoma	3	38024000 Cherokee Charter School	464,570	464,570	\$ -
80-State of Oklahoma Total			464,570	464,570	\$ -
Grand Total			\$ 1,535,807	\$ 1,535,807	\$ -

May Operating Grants - Reporting Only

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Funding Source	Ref # by FS	Program/Purpose	Amend. Change to Sources	Amend. Expenses Total Change	Net Change
01-General Fund	1	10101510 Marshal Service Gen Fund	203,683	203,683	\$ -
	2	10101530 Probation	57,000	57,000	\$ -
	3	10102800 General Fund Operations	7,000,000	7,000,000	\$ -
	4	10102960 Unappropriated Reserve	-	(335,415)	\$ 335,415
	5	10107000 Tribal Council	-	335,415	\$ (335,415)
	6	10108150 District Court Fund	322,506	322,506	\$ -
	7	10110630 NRD Ethnobiology	100,077	100,077	\$ -
01-General Fund Total			\$ 7,683,266	\$ 7,683,266	\$ -
04-Indirect Cost	8	20400000 Indirect Cost Pool Recovery	140,000	-	\$ 140,000
	9	20410200 Tribal Council IDC Fund	-	140,000	\$ (140,000)
04-Indirect Cost Total			\$ 140,000	\$ 140,000	\$ -
22-DOI Self Governance	10	32210850 SG Forestry	224,996	224,996	\$ -
	11	32222210 CARES Act Welfare Assistance	1,845,202	1,845,202	\$ -
22-DOI Self Governance Total			\$ 2,070,198	\$ 2,070,198	\$ -
32-IHS Self Governance Heal	12	33241000 Ambulance Service	524,364	524,364	\$ -
32-IHS Self Governance Health Total			\$ 524,364	\$ 524,364	\$ -
55/56-HUD	13	35619750 Housing Management CA	784,060	784,060	\$ -
55/56-HUD Total			\$ 784,060	\$ 784,060	\$ -
Grand Total			\$ 11,201,888	\$ 11,201,888	\$ -

Operating Mod #8 Request

COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026

Funding Source	Revenues	Transfers In	Total	Direct Exp.	Indir. Exp.	Transfers Out	Total	NET
Capital Projects	523,031,019	223,587,767	746,618,786	729,722,297	0	16,896,489	746,618,786	-
Department of Education	2,272,769	87,352	2,360,121	2,137,115	202,876	20,130	2,360,121	-
Department of Labor	18,040,152	0	18,040,152	15,470,930	1,632,192	937,030	18,040,152	-
Dept of Transportation Compact	152,631,439	0	152,631,439	152,100,005	431,434	100,000	152,631,439	-
DHHS General	91,641,753	0	91,641,753	82,748,126	8,893,627	0	91,641,753	-
DOI General	28,250,727	0	28,250,727	26,136,401	2,114,326	0	28,250,727	-
DOI PL 102-477	475,059,581	0	475,059,581	461,550,343	7,507,642	6,001,596	475,059,581	-
DOI Self Governance	59,662,551	79,600	59,742,151	54,129,702	5,262,449	350,000	59,742,151	-
Enterprise	4,883,890	26,781,125	31,665,015	31,330,893	334,122	0	31,665,015	-
EPA	9,378,404	0	9,378,404	9,028,835	349,569	0	9,378,404	-
Federal Other	353,102,316	2,256,208	355,358,524	332,379,677	1,875,810	21,103,037	355,358,524	-
HUD	76,358,764	1,937,501	78,296,265	75,969,520	389,244	1,937,501	78,296,265	-
Indirect Cost	104,132,217	187,030	104,319,247	104,319,247	0	0	104,319,247	-
IHS Discretionary	10,000,000	0	10,000,000	150,000	0	9,850,000	10,000,000	-
IHS Self Governance Health	1,316,563,730	6,896,489	1,323,460,219	986,069,568	85,567,318	251,823,333	1,323,460,219	-
IHS Self Governance Office	546,481	0	546,481	492,912	53,569	0	546,481	-
IHS Self Governance TEH	39,848,130	205,700	40,053,830	39,393,333	660,497	0	40,053,830	-
Internal Lease Pool	7,909,046	0	7,909,046	7,909,046	0	0	7,909,046	-
Motor Fuel Tax	11,630,384	26,668,134	38,298,518	28,018,923	129,595	10,150,000	38,298,518	-
Motor Vehicle Tax	40,113,168	0	40,113,168	38,910,949	1,202,219	0	40,113,168	-
Other	268,360	17,000	285,360	272,161	13,199	0	285,360	-
Permanent Funds	9,100	0	9,100	9,100	0	0	9,100	-
Private	983,472	0	983,472	892,448	91,024	0	983,472	-
State of Oklahoma	2,190,294	0	2,190,294	2,087,935	102,359	0	2,190,294	-
Tribe Funded	370,375,694	58,946,368	429,322,062	384,303,918	14,070,392	30,947,752	429,322,062	-
USDA	47,333,726	2,466,594	49,800,320	47,793,722	2,006,598	0	49,800,320	-
Total	\$ 3,746,217,167	\$ 350,116,868	\$ 4,096,334,035	\$ 3,613,327,106	\$ 132,890,061	\$ 350,116,868	\$ 4,096,334,035	\$ -

Non Grant Requests

CAPITAL RECONCILIATION	
LA 25-25	\$ 804,169,791
Cap Mod #1	(98,980,346)
Cap Mod #2	49,889,070
Cap Mod #3	397,112,072
Cap Mod #4	(3,932,000)
Cap Mod #5	(24,928,908)
Cap Mod #6	15,000,000
Total Capital	\$ 1,138,329,679

Cap Mod #6	15,000,000	03/26 E&F
Oper Mod #8	11,201,888	03/26 E&F

Cap Mod #5	(24,928,908)	05/11 Council
Oper Mod #7	715,166	05/11 Council

Total after pending Mod's \$ 4,098,322,181

Operating - cumulative total \$ 2,959,992,502

Capital - cumulative total 1,138,329,679

Grand Total \$ 4,098,322,181



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M e m o

To: Dora Patzkowski, Chairman - Executive & Finance Committee
From: Jody S. Reece
CC: Executive & Finance Committee
Date: 05/14/2026
Re: Review of 2026 Operating Budget Mod #8 – Total \$ 12,737,695

Per your request, I have reviewed the administration's budget modification request for this month's Executive & Finance Committee Meeting. Below is a summary of my review:

A. Grant Reporting:

<u>Funding Source</u>	<u># of Budgets</u>	<u>Amount</u>
DHHS General	1	\$ 142,124
Fed Other	1	929,113
State of Oklahoma	1	<u>464,570</u>

Total Grant Reporting **\$ 1,535,807**

Cash Match for Grants (10103150) – Start of Year

Cash Out: Grant Required	\$ 2,582,199	
Appropriated for Cash Match (future grants)	<u>2,417,801</u>	
Original Total Budget	<u>\$ 5,000,000</u>	
Original Appropriated for Cash Match – for future grants		\$2,417,801
Used: xx		0
xx		<u>0</u>
Balance Available for Future Grant Matching		<u>\$2,417,801</u>

B. Modification Request - Increase in budget authority - \$ 11,201,888

1. Marshal Service Gen Fund – 10101510 – Tribally Funded: Modification requesting an increase in expenditure authorization of \$203,683 for reallocation of multiple line items with the major category being fringe costs. Funding provided by carryover from last fiscal year. The new budgeted expenditure total is \$4,256,795.
2. Probation – 10101530 – Tribally Funded: Modification requesting an increase in expenditure authorization of \$57,000 for reallocation of multiple line items. Funding provided by additional AG Supervision Fees. The new budgeted expenditure total is \$1,325,469.
3. General Fund Operations – 10102800 – Tribally Funded: Modification requesting an increase in transfer out authorization of \$7,000,000 to budget in this month's capital mod. \$2,000,000 is going to the Justice Center Construction budget that is that is part of reallocation that transfers money to the new Tribal Council House Construction budget. \$5,000,000 is going directly to the new Tribal Council House Construction budget. Funding provided by carryover and additional interest income budgeted.
4. Unappropriated Reserve – 10102960 – Tribally Funded: Modification requesting a decrease in Reserved by Appropriation of \$(335,415) to fund the Tribal Council budget in time 5. The new budgeted Reserved by Appropriation total is \$3,917,556.
5. Tribal Council – 10107000 – Tribally Funded: Modification requesting an increase in expenditure authorization of \$335,415 to add \$75,000 to the codification contract, add a web design contract for \$125,000, adjust salaries of new positions added in last revision, and add additional expenditures related to these new positions (travel, equipment, etc.). Funded by reduction of reserved by appropriation in budget 4. The new budgeted expenditure total is \$5,041,358.
6. District Court Fund – 10108150 – Tribally Funded: Modification requesting an increase in expenditure authorization of \$322,506 for contract services and building improvements. Funding proved by additional Other Income. The new budgeted expenditure total is \$1,309,629.
7. NRD Ethnobiology – 10110630 – Tribally Funded: Modification requesting an increase in expenditure authorization of \$100,077 allocated to multiple line items. Funded provided by carryover. The new budgeted expenditure total is \$502,011.
8. Indirect Cost Pool Recovery – 20400000 – Indirect Costs: Modification requesting an increase in Indirect Cost Pool Recovery revenue of \$140,000 to fund the Tribal Council IDC budget in item 9. The new IDC Recovery Revenue total is \$103,466081.
9. Tribal Council IDC Fund – 20410200 – Indirect Costs: Modification requesting an increase in expenditure authorization of \$140,000 for adjustment of positions added in revision 1, add more travel and small equipment related to these positions, and an additional position for half the hear during transitional period of one retirement. The new budgeted expenditure total is \$2,285,672.
10. SG Forestry – 3221085 – DOI Self Governance: New budget requesting expenditure authorization of \$224,996 for special one-time funding provided by ATO (authority to obligate).
11. CARES Act Welfare Assistance – 32222210 – DOI Self Governance: New budget requesting expenditure authorization of \$1,845,202 for unspent carryover funding.
12. Ambulance Service – 33241000 – IHS Self Governance Health: Modification requesting an increase in expenditure authorization of \$524,364 for the space cost for the new Emergency Response Center and the Hulbert CARES is now allocated 100% to EMS. Funding provided by reimbursable amount from IHS.

13. Housing Management CA – 35619750 – HUD NAHASDA: New budget requesting expenditure authorization of \$784,060 to reinstate the CARES Act funding with approval of deadline extension.

Summary:

After reviewing the submission of the operating modification by the administration, I find no technical issues surrounding these requests, nor do I have any unmentioned concerns related to their respective carryover estimates. If I can provide any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,



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