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Tribal Council Monthly Report

January 2019

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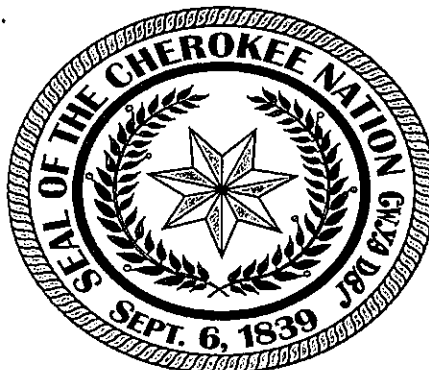
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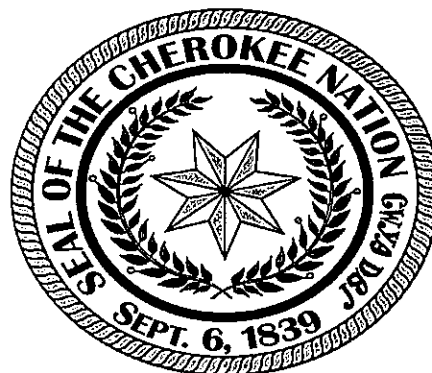


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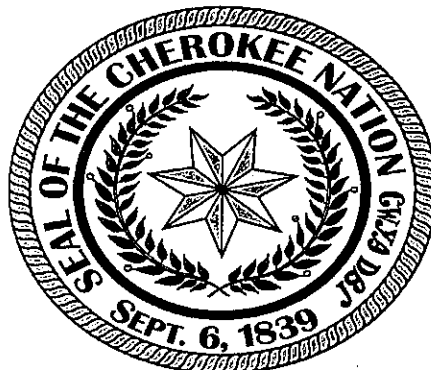
Number of Employees	268
Number of Vacancies	34
Number of Volunteers	38

Human Services Announcements

We would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year!

VOCA - In January we had three employees attend the Department of Human Services Adult Protective Services training in Oklahoma City. This is a two week certification class. Cherokee Nation now has three certified APS employees to serve our citizens. We are hoping to send more of our Family Assistance staff in the near future to be certified.

Sallisaw Relocation to offer all Human Services -



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YOUTH SERVICES & SPECIAL PROJECTS

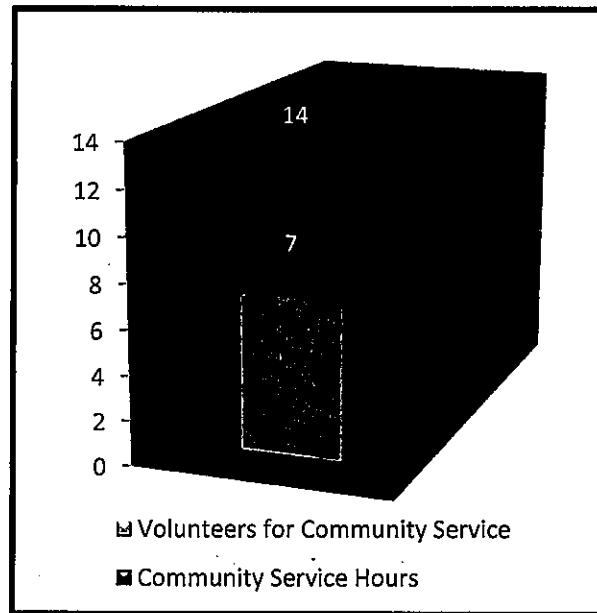
Director - Jennifer Kirby

Number of Employees	16
Number of Vacancies	1
Number of Volunteers	0

Programs
John A. Ketcher Youth Services Center
Youth Services
Cherokee PARENTS
Veteran's Center

John A. Ketcher Youth Services Center :

Young people served	12
Admissions	10

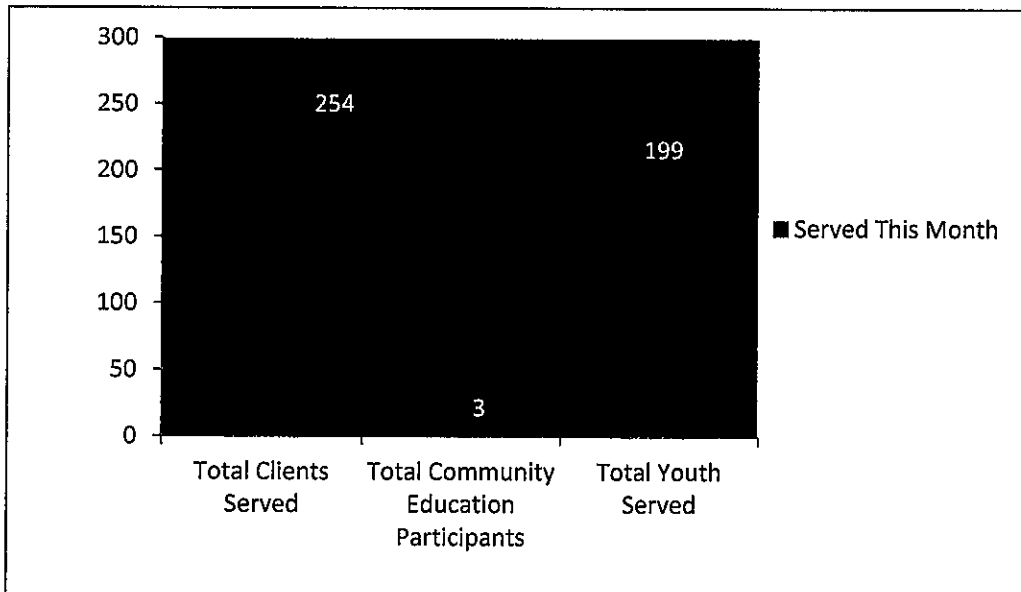
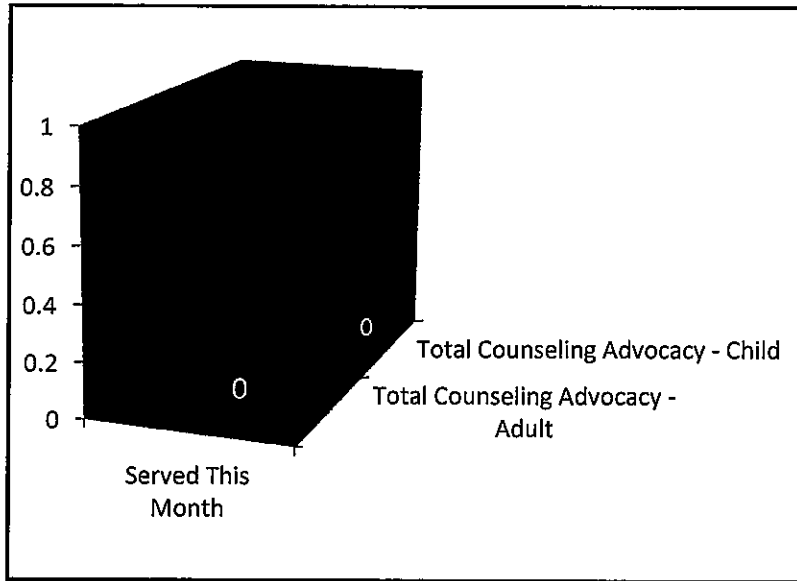


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YOUTH SERVICES & SPECIAL PROJECTS

Youth Services :

Total Community Events & Presentations **3**

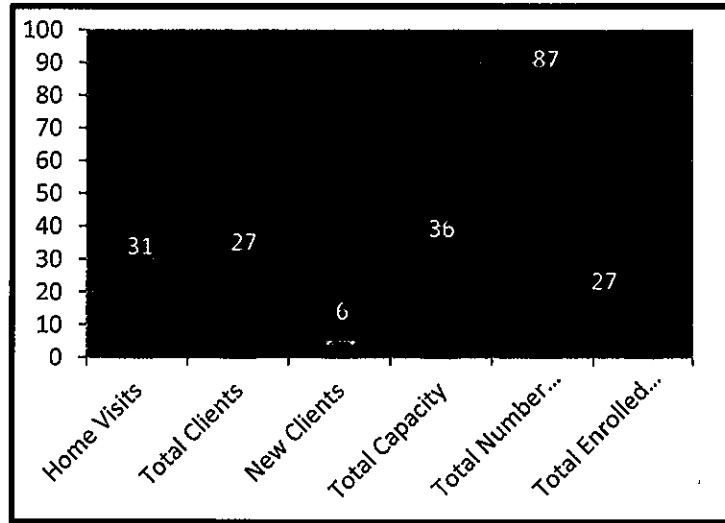


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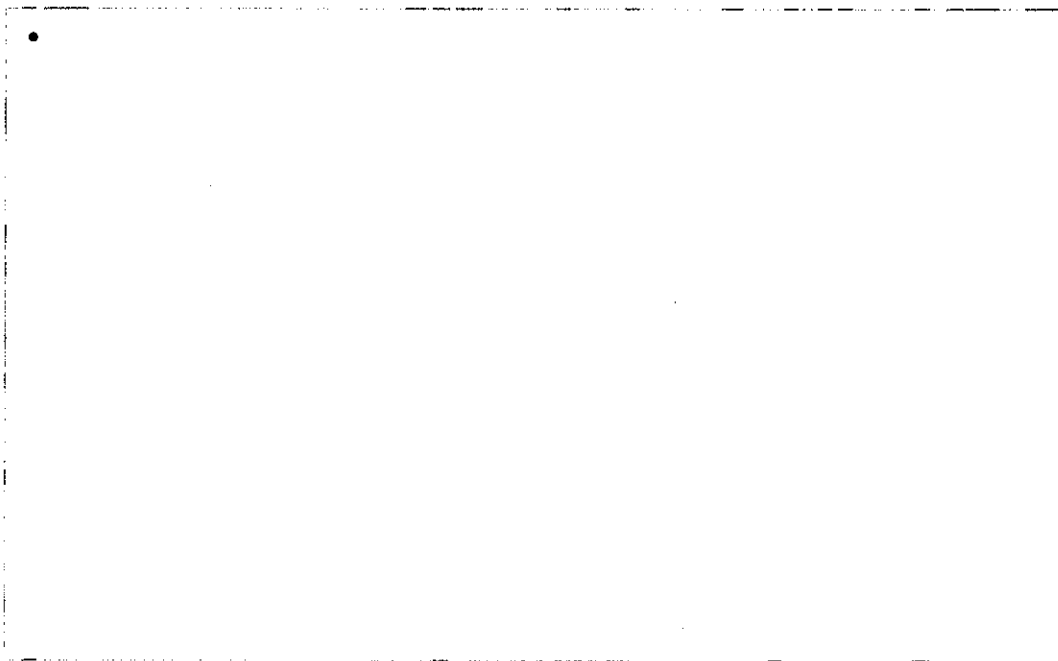
YOUTH SERVICES & SPECIAL PROJECTS

Cherokee PARENTS :

Total Clients 27



Child Care Development Centers :



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CHILD CARE & CHILD DEVELOPMENT

Director - Tricia Peoples

Number of Employees	106
Number of Vacancies	23
Number of Volunteers	0

Programs
Child Care Development Centers
Subsidy
Resource & Referral
Licensing & Monitoring

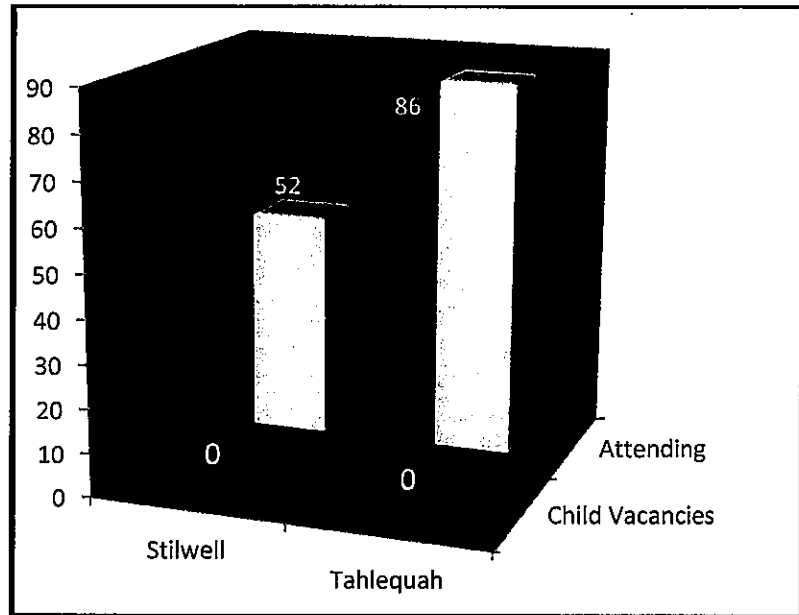
Child Care Development Centers :

- Stilwell - The children returned January 2nd from the holiday break. There is a severe outbreak of flu strep and a stomach virus that has hit the center. All drills were conducted.

- Resource & Referral - Child Care Provider Recruitment Event, Lisa worked with Miami Tribes to set up ELG training, Infant Toddler Conf mtgs, Parent Training, OCCRRA Statewide, Visit Outdoor Nature Preschool, attend Early Childhood STEAM conf., TA visits: STARS Advancement, Understanding STARS, We Grow Together pilot program, Training topics: Circle Time 101, SIDS and Safe Sleep, Transitions, Supervision, and Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect


- Subsidy - 8 Providers attended orientation, 21 total referrals


- Licensing - Two vacant Licensing Positions- One employee vacant effective 9/18. -advertised to fill. One Employee on FMLA since Nov.2017. Manager conducting visits and obtaining DHS visits for Licensed facilities. Research Symposium on ECE, ITC



Subsidy :

Children Receiving	1,773
Amount Distributed	\$ 658,463.00


 Average Distribution
 Per Child

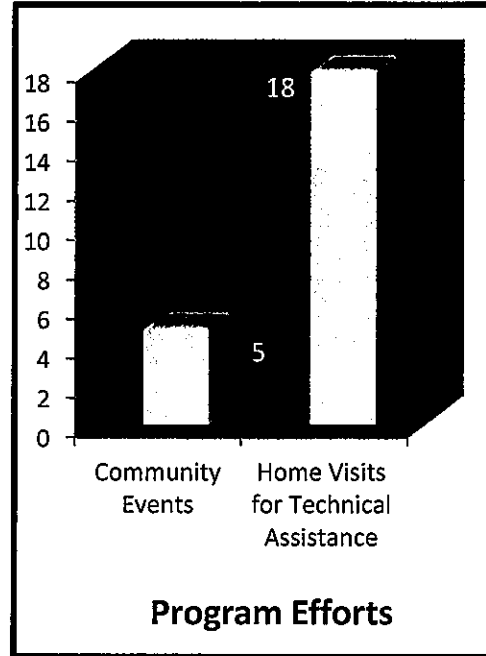
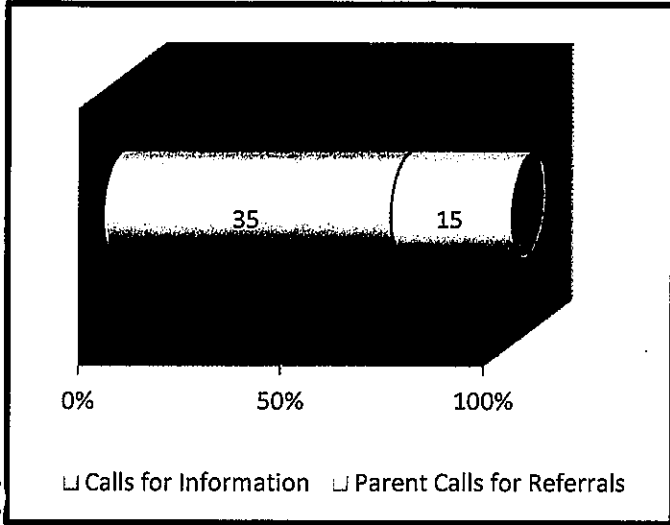

 \$ 371.38



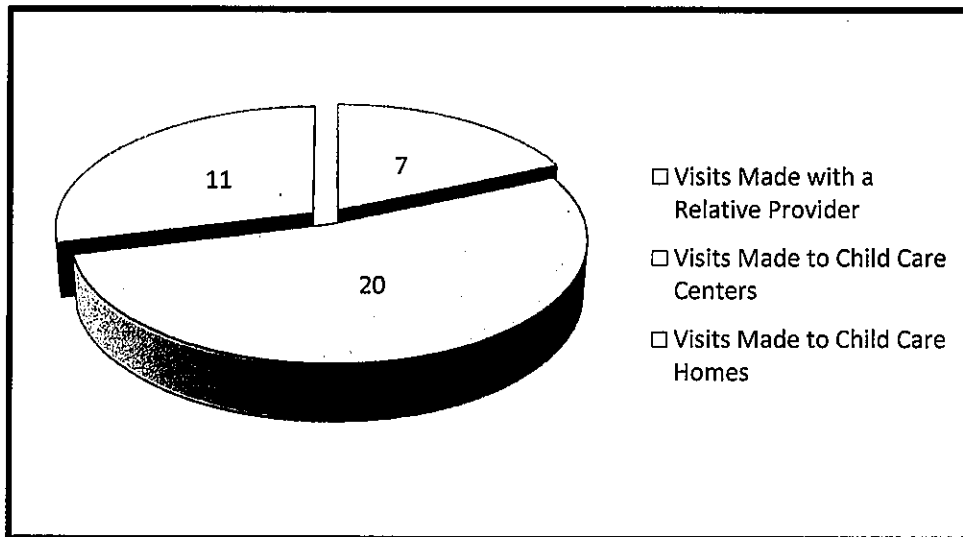
CHILD CARE & CHILD DEVELOPMENT

Resource & Referral :

Trainings for the Month	8
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Licensing & Monitoring :



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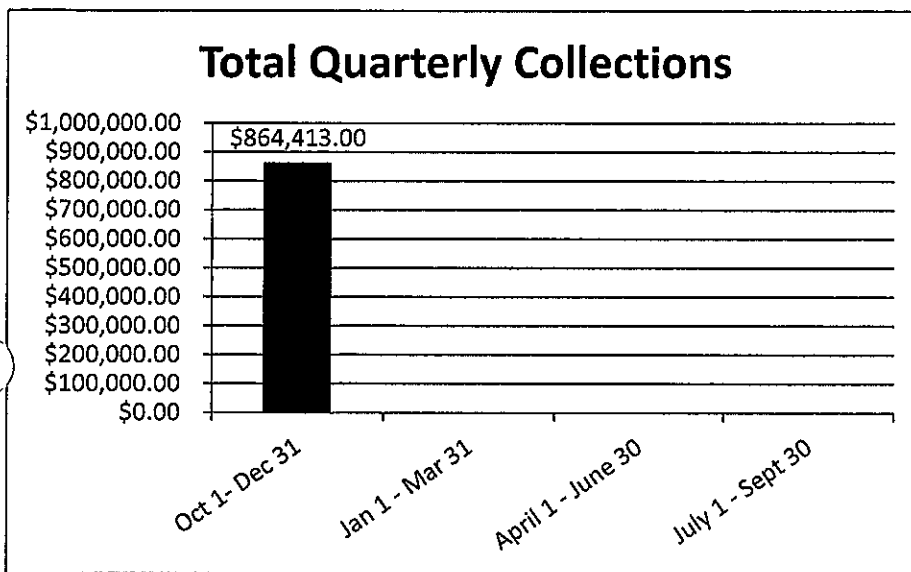
OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT

Director - Kara Whitworth

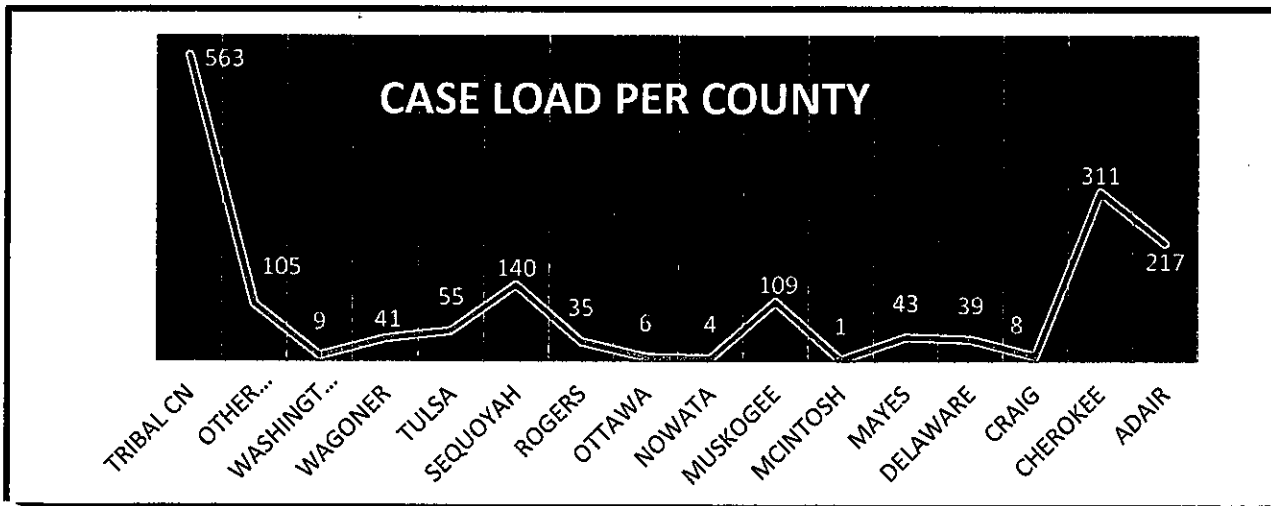
Number of Employees	35
Number of Vacancies	2
Number of Volunteers	

Jan. Collections-CN Payment Center only:	\$ 305,635.00
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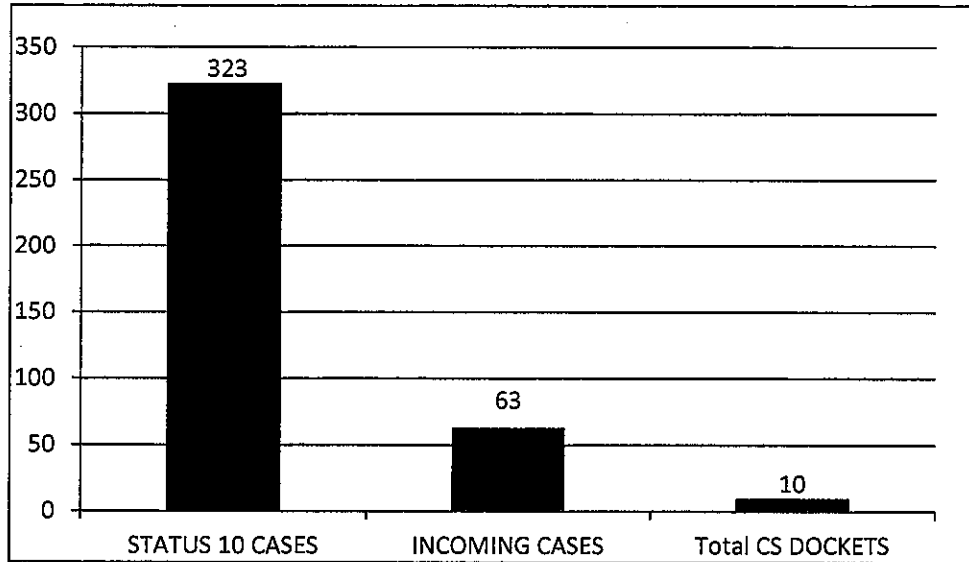
Total Client Contacts	3,011
Total Court Hearings	64
Total Active Efforts Case	2,325
Total Case Assessments for Service	19
Total Applications Distributed	30



*Includes payment center collections, tax intercepts, and other special collections



OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT



Child Support:

The Office of Child Support Services has been quite active with many questions about the program from outside community members. It seems as if there is always an influx in requests for applications in January. The program distributed 71 requested applications and received 38 applications for new cases. Current active/suspended cases as of Feb 9, 2019 is approximately 2390. The program continues to work on the new digital media grant through the Federal Office of Child Support Grants division. The Core grant group consists of 3 Child support staff members and the Core group completed a kickoff meeting on Jan 15 to internal CN stakeholders as well as presented to all CS staff about the grant initiative. The core grant group is busy working with information systems web developers on creating our own website page. The goal is for the webpage to be developed and ready to be launched in June 2019. The overall goal of the grant is provide better communication avenues for potential clients as well current clients the program serves. In addition, the following success stories were recorded by casemanagers as the program works to provide quality customer services that are in the best interest of the children and families that are served: 1- One of the Case managers worked with ensuring a NCP was able to pay down once a warrant was issued for non payment. She also worked with getting an NCP to make payments on their support ordered after never making a payment and is now paying regularly for last couple months. In addition, had a non custodial party pay off their entire balance of arrears owed so their case could be officially close.



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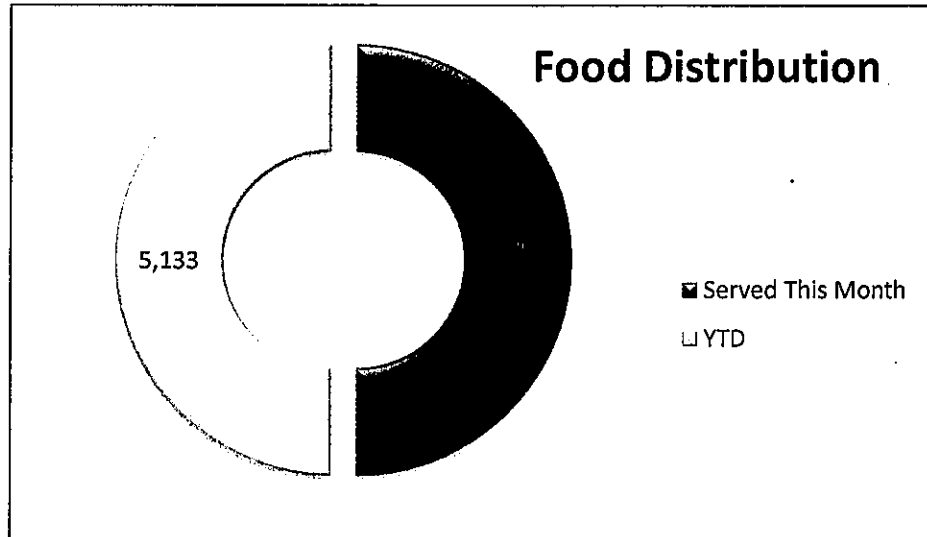
FAMILY ASSISTANCE DEPARTMENT

Interim Director - Jennifer Kirby

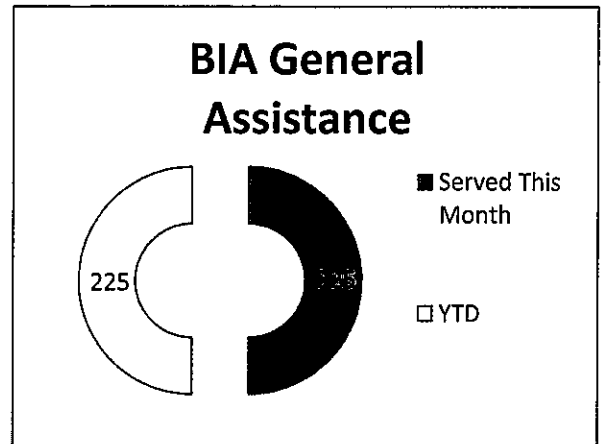
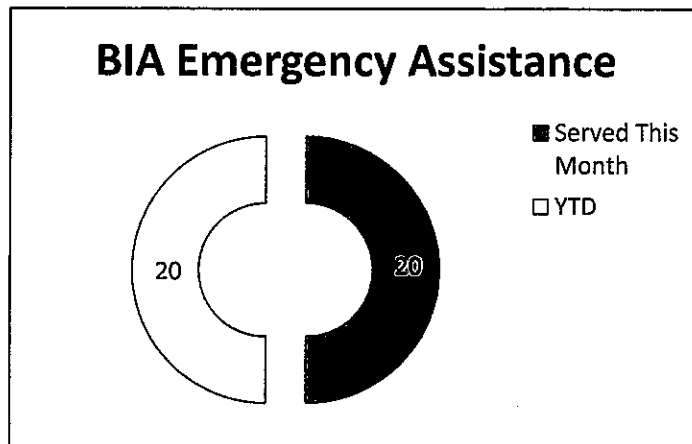
Number of Employees	111
Number of Vacancies	8
Number of Volunteers	38

Programs
Food Distribution
Social Services
Burial Assistance
Elder Care
Family Assistance
LIHEAP
NAHASDA
CITGO

Food Distribution :



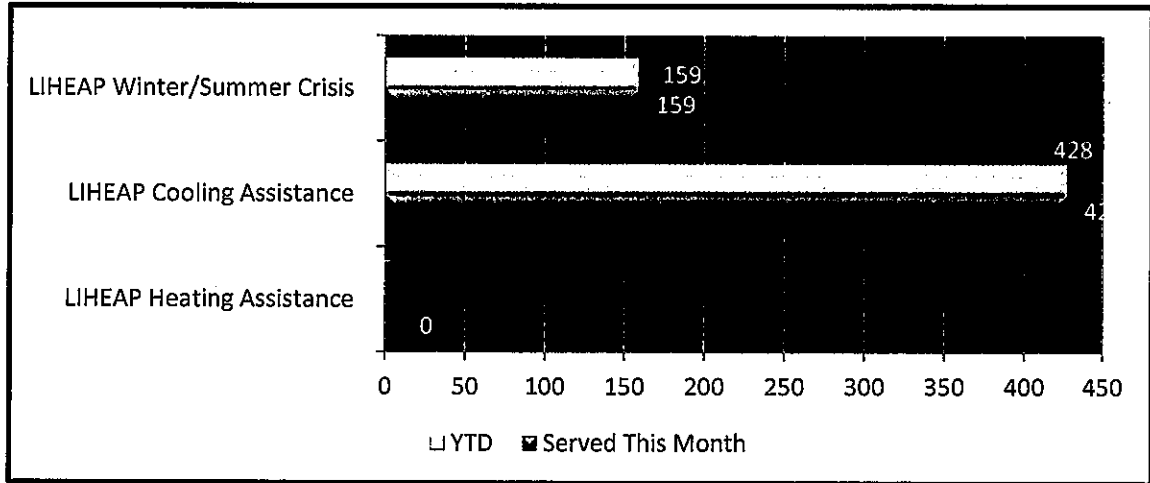
BIA Social Services :



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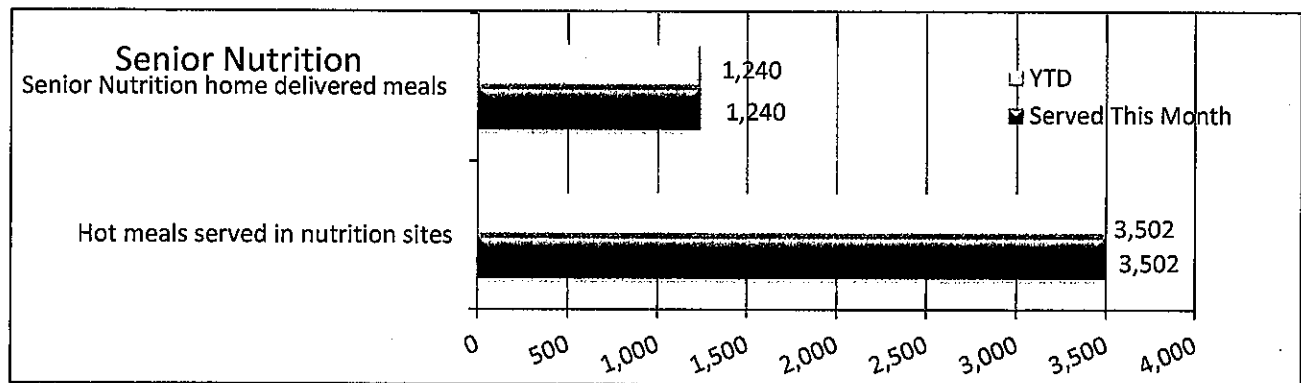
FAMILY ASSISTANCE DEPARTMENT

LIHEAP:

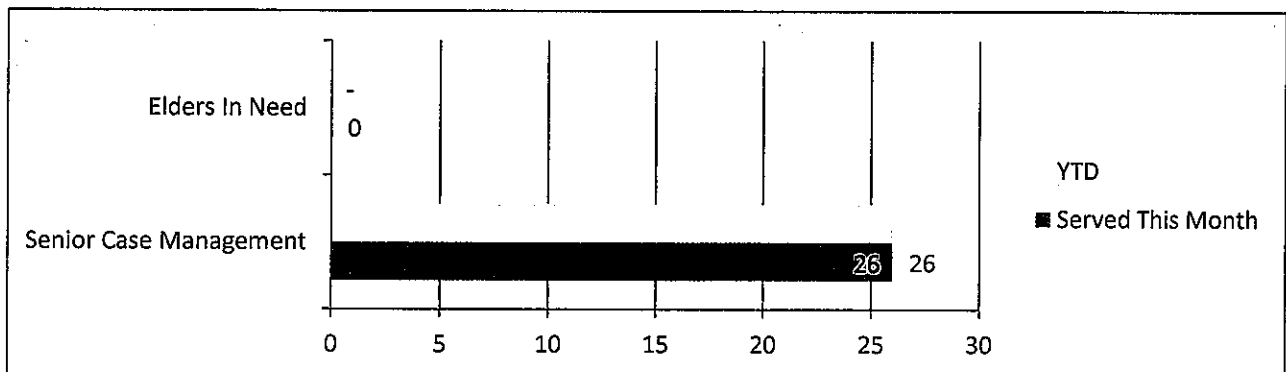


*(LIHEAP COOLING ASSISTANCE) Program starts in December and ends in February

Elder Services :



*Program starts in April



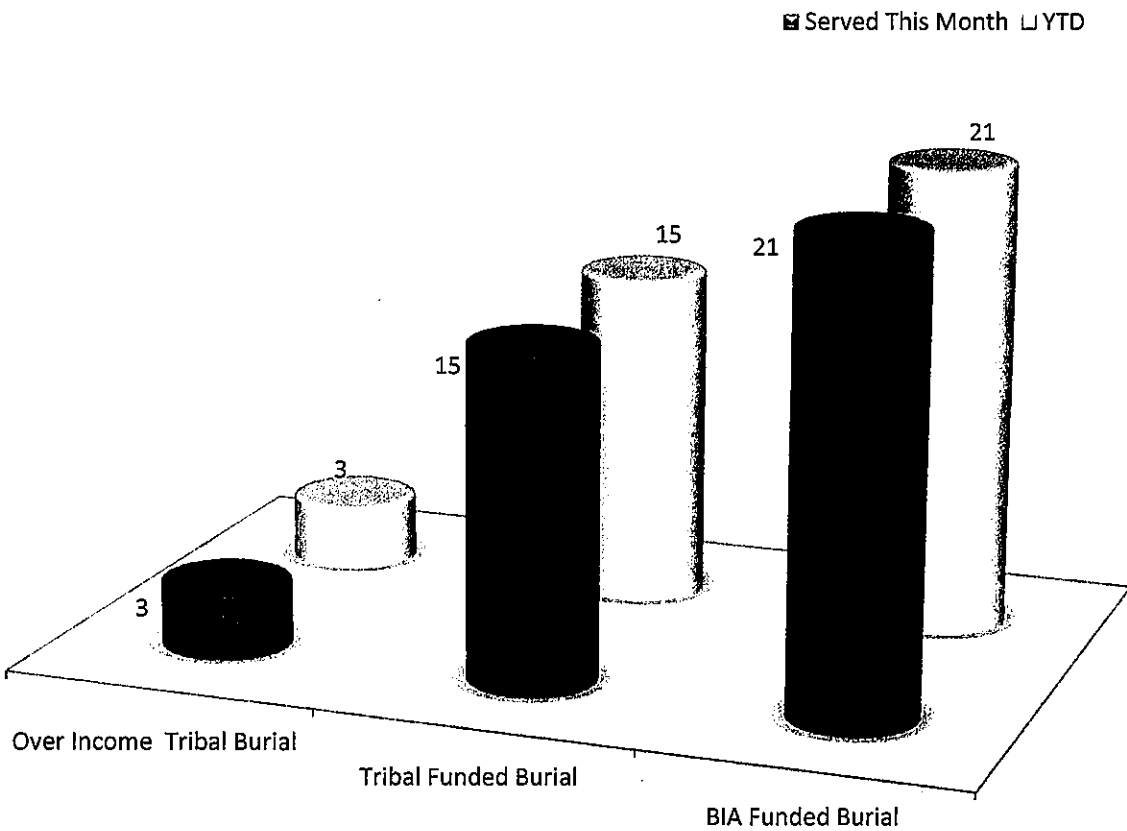
*Elders In Need Monies are dispersed in February and August.



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Burial Assistance :

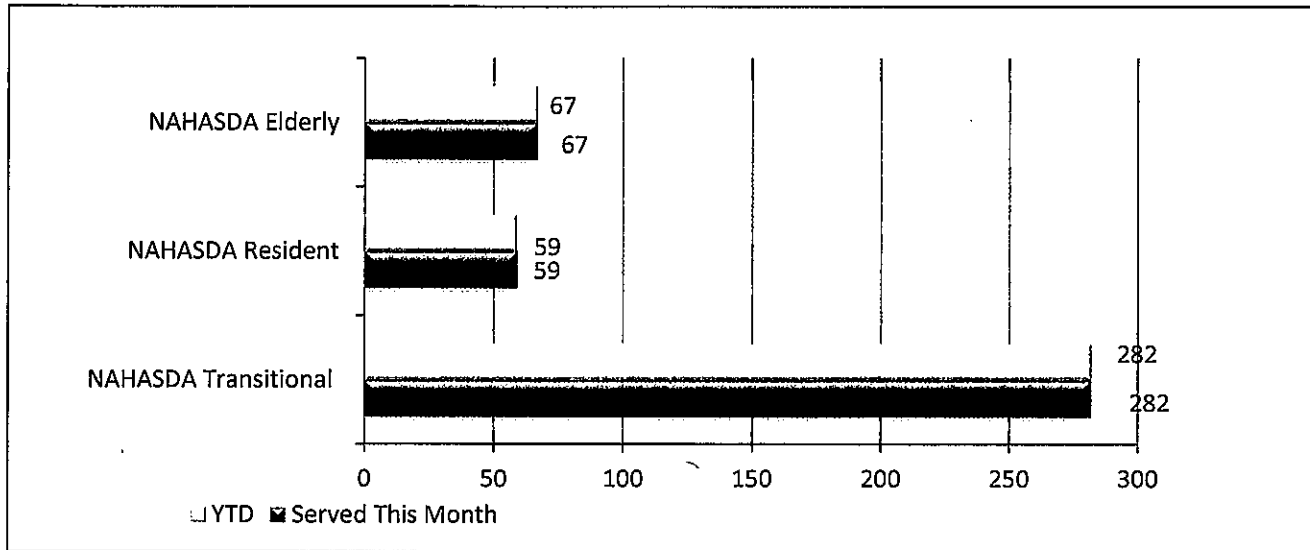
Burial - Clients Served



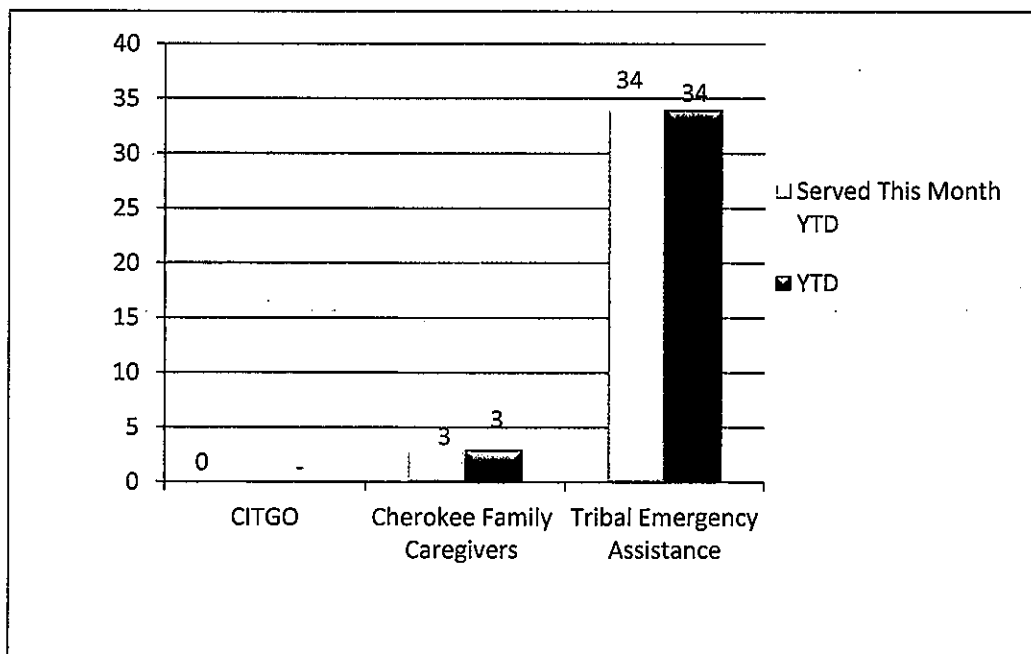
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NAHASDA :



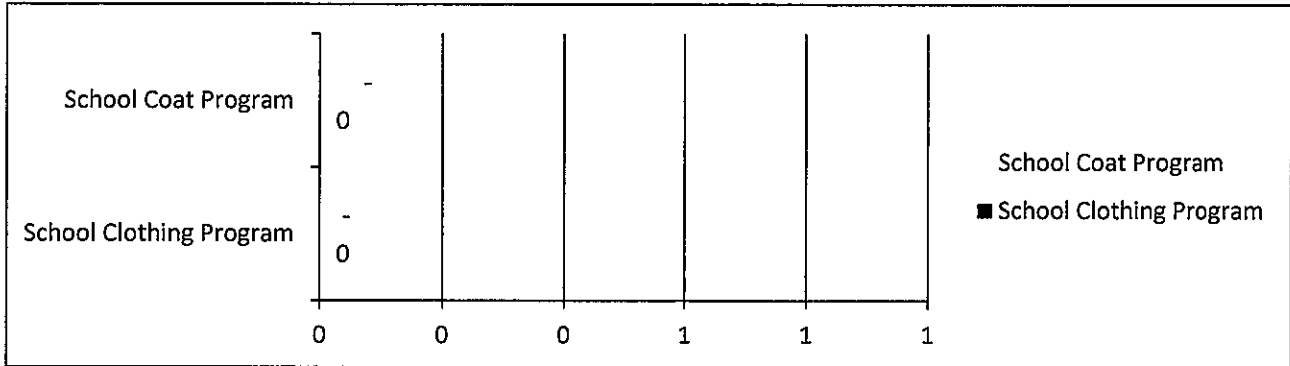
Family Assistance :



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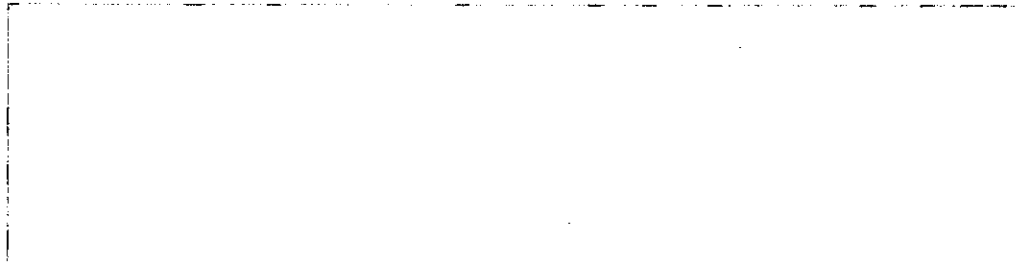
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School Clothing Assistance Programs :



*School Clothing Program starts in July, before the school year begins.

Family Assistance:



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Administrative Officer - Janelle Smith

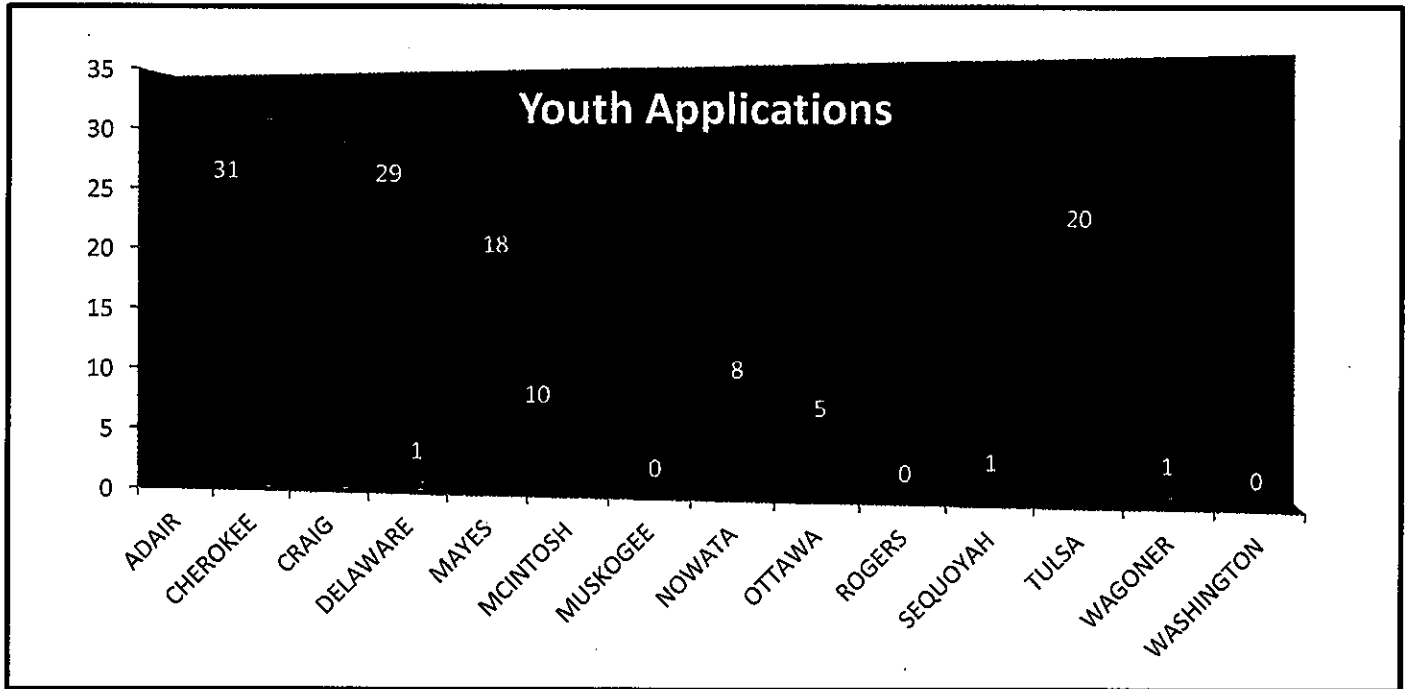
Number of Employees	3
Number of Vacancies	0
Number of Volunteers	0

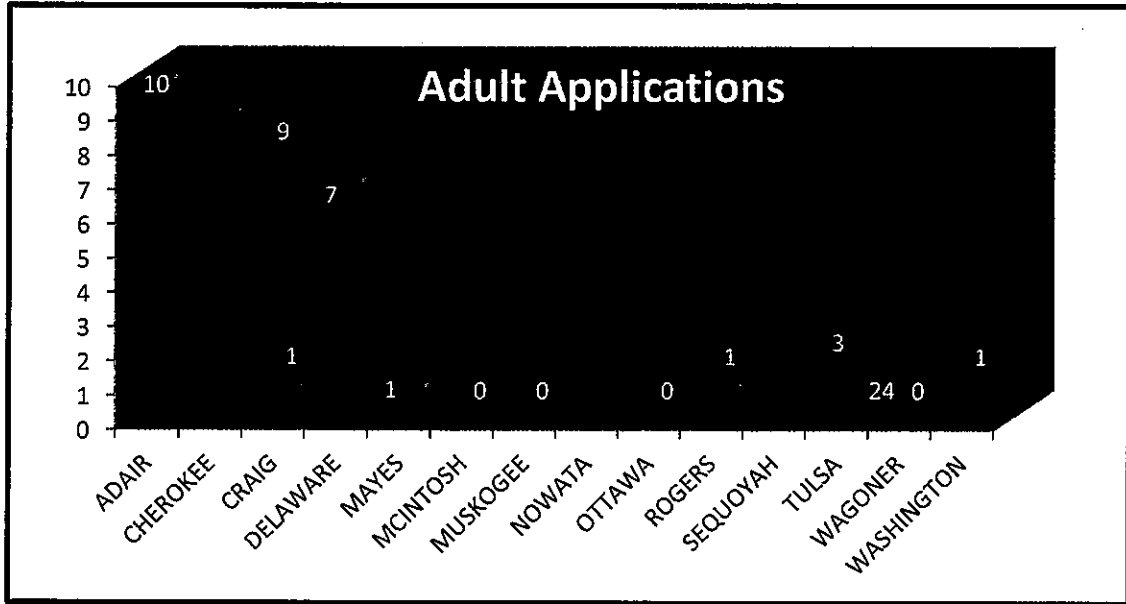
Programs
Reception
Community Youth

Reception :

Total Walk Ins/Phone Calls Taken	1,390
Total Applications Taken	343

Community Youth :





Overview of Community Leadership Program Applications

Total Youth	238
Total Adult	105

Monthly Total Amount Distributed

January	\$ 31,800.00
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CHEROKEE NATION TRIBAL COUNCIL

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

Group: Community Services **Month/Year of Report:** March 2019 (data for January activities)

Executive Director: Martha Ketcher **Phone:** 453-5248 **E-mail:** Martha-ketcher@cherokee.org

I. Budget Highlights

1. Waiting on preliminary indications of FY19 funding amounts from IHS.

II. Program Highlights

a.) Balanced Scorecard Measures

1. Trained 84 food handlers
2. Repaired 11 existing sewer and/or water facilities
3. Installed 30 new sewer and/or water facilities
4. Performed 27 drinking water tests, 21 existing well assessments, 25 site evaluations and 12 soil tests

b.) Accomplishments

1. A final inspection on the Stilwell Area Development Authority(SADA), WP Mankiller Water Storage Tank is scheduled for 2/18/2019. Tank was rehabbed with a combination of IHS and SADA funds.
2. Construction on the Southern Delaware Co Regional WTP is approximately 90% complete. RD has now begun processing pay applications that were missed due to the government shut down.
3. The Kenwood North (Tagg Flatt) Waterline is substantially complete. Still waiting for delivery and installation of booster pump station. Tentatively scheduled for March 2019.
4. Muskogee RWD # 7 Two Mile Rd Waterline is substantially complete and in service. Homes have been connected. Contractor is still working on getting the generator for the booster pump operational before a final inspection is held.
5. Cherry Tree/Stilwell Sewer Connection – Stilwell's engineer has started process of plans, specifications and working on acquiring right of way.
6. Sequoyah Co Water Association held preconstruction meeting for 24" water main project. CN is contributing \$879,000 to project. Low bid was \$6.54M with the majority of the funding coming from RD.
7. The Delaware RWD # 11 Phase II project is nearly complete. All lines have now been pressure tested and are being disinfected and flushed. Will be able to start setting meters and connecting homes once this is complete.
8. Signed MOA's with Oaks PWA for the Sewer Improvements project
9. Working with Colcord PWA for assistance with sewer maintenance equipment.
10. Met with Rural Development and Tenkiller Utility Authority board to discuss regional water project.

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c.) Future Plans

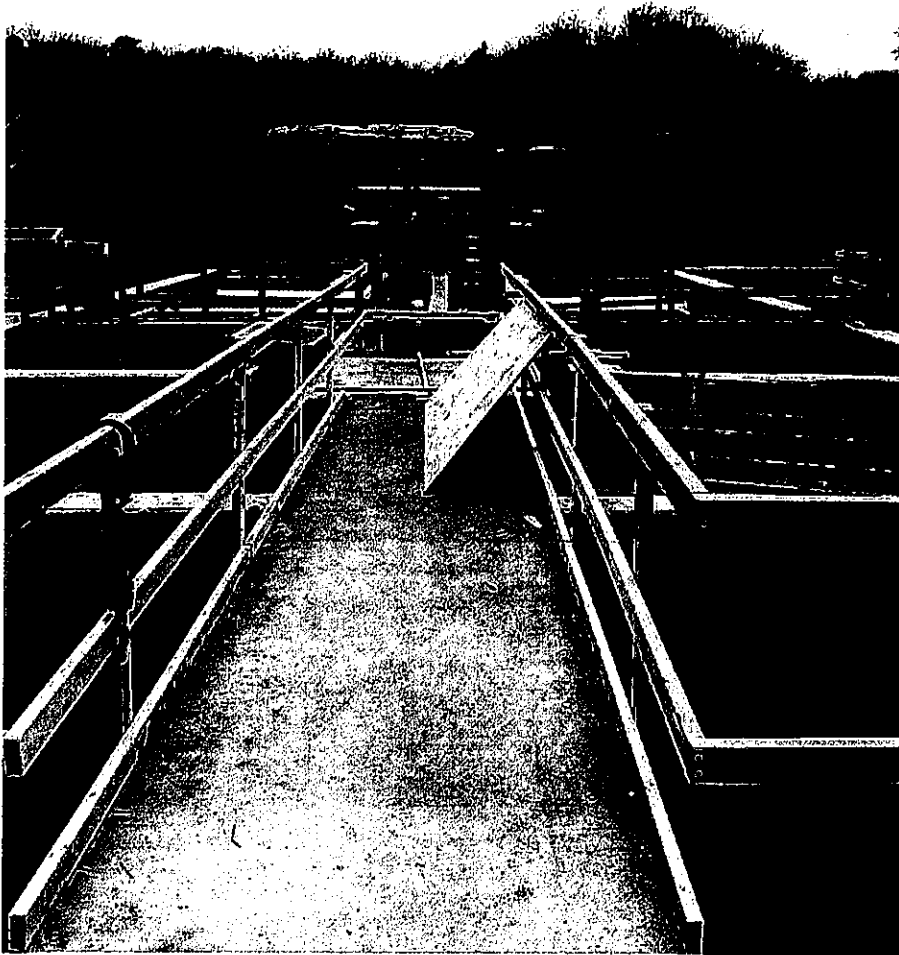
1. Have begun reviewing projects for update and submittal to IHS for FY2020 funding.

Project Photos:



Stilwell Area Development Authority water storage tank behind the W.P. Mankiller Clinic

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New Process Control Building at South Delaware Co Regional Water Treatment Plant

PERFORMANCE: JANUARY 2019

DISTRICT # & COUNTY	FACILITY DATA SYSTEM			Food Handlers Trng	INDOOR AIR QUALITY Test/Invest	Water Test Completed Bac-T & Chem	Primary Drinking Water Standards Violations	Well Assessments	Site Evals	Perc Tests	Soil Profiles	Reduce # of critical violations
	Inspections Referrals	Investigations - Complaints	Technical Assistance									
1, 2 & 3 Cherokee/Wagoner	4		23	37	2	7	3		8		3	
4 - Muskogee/McIntosh	1		2						4	1	2	
6 & 6 Sequoyah	3		1					1	2	1	1	
7 & 8 Adair	2		3			4	3		3		1	
9 & 10 Delaware/Ottawa	4					14	8		3		1	
11 - Craig									1			
12 - Nowata/Washington			2						1		1	
13 - Tulsa	15	1	7	47								
14 - Rogers									1			
15 - Mayes			15			2		20	2		1	
MONTHLY TOTAL	29	1	53	84	2	27	14	21	25	2	10	3
YEAR TO DATE		292		362	6	103	66	23	83	48	26	26
ANNUAL GOAL		800		1525				50	230	175	100	
% COMPLETE		37%		24%				46%	36%	27%	26%	

HIGHLIGHTS:
Training -

Meetings - Head Start - Health Advisory Board Meeting
Infection Control Staff (2)

Misc. - Injury Prevention - Provided carbon monoxide detectors along with safety information and a goodie bag to the Elderly Nutrition Program participants.
12 detectors - Porum 20 detectors - Nowata
12 detectors - Belfonte 14 detectors - Oaks

Routine Food Inspection conducted at the Cherry Tree Head Start Center - 0 critical violations
Routine Food Inspection conducted at the Red Bird Head Start Center - 0 critical violations

Contacted South Lake Veterinary Clinic in Gore and the Coalition for Tulsa Pets for a potential rabies clinic and no response to date. Will continue to contact other veterinarians in the community.

Assisted the well crew - 2 days

Helped with an aerobic system repair - 5 days

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

This office is focused on protecting the public from such things as foodborne illness and transmission of various disease that are directly related to personal hygiene and other non-sanitary conditions. We organize, coordinate, and assist in many different programs such as food, public bathing places, hotel/motels, and rabies. This office provides food service training for certification, environmental disease prevention training, laboratory analytical services for individuals requesting assistance in evaluating their water wells, soil profiles, percolation test, and indoor air quality investigations.

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Youth Activities:

We held 7 youth activities in January, due to the New Year & Martin Luther King Jr. Holidays and 1 school still being out for Christmas break on their regularly scheduled date. Total attendance at January youth activities was 157 youth, 24 parents/community members/B&G club staff & 6 CYD & ARS staff. Not all staff attended each site, 3 – 5 staff members went to each site.

Cherokee Heights had 1 youth activities in January on Tuesday, January 15th due to the New Year Holiday on January 1st; where they made Valentines for Veterans and rain sticks. There were 6 youth & 4 CYD & ARS staff in attendance.

Chewey had 1 youth activity on Tuesday, January 8th, where they made Valentines for Veterans & rain sticks. There were 11 youth, 10 parents & Adult community members & 3 CYD & ARS staff in attendance.

Maryetta Boys & Girls Club had 1 youth activity on Thursday, January 10th, where they made Valentines for Veterans & rain sticks. There were 25 youth, 3 Boys & Girls club staff and 4 CYD & ARS staff in attendance.

Cave Springs/Zion Boys & Girl Club had 1 youth activity on Thursday, January 24th, where they made Valentines for Veterans & rain sticks. There were 29 youth, 2 Boys & Girls club staff and 4 CYD & ARS staff in attendance.

Briggs Boys & Girls club had 1 youth activity on Wednesday, January 10th, where they made Valentines for Veterans & rain sticks. There were 69 youth, 4 Boys & Girls club staff and 5 CYD & ARS staff in attendance.

Rocky Mountain Boys & Girls club did not have a youth activity in January as their regular schedule was on Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Talking Leaves Job Corp had 1 youth activity on Tuesday, January 22nd, where they made Valentines for Veterans & rain sticks. There were 12 youth and 4 CYD & ARS staff in attendance.

Oaks Family Support Center had 1 youth activity on Monday, January 28th, where they made Valentines for Veterans & rain sticks. There were 5 youth, 5 parent/adult community members & 3 CYD & ARS staff in attendance.

Youth MOVE did not have a youth activity in January as they were out of school for Christmas on their regular scheduled date.

Mailed & handed out 73 copies of flyers about February youth activities to residents, community organizations & participants in Cherokee Heights, Oaks & Chewey and e-mailed flyers to Briggs, Maryetta, Rocky Mountain & Cave Springs/Zion Boys & Girls Clubs, Youth MOVE and Talking Leaves Job Corp to post.

Adult Resident Activities:

We held 9 adult resident activities in January, due to a fire sprinkler malfunction at 1 of our sites. Total attendance at January Adult resident activities was 80 Adult residents & 6 CYD & ARS staff. Not all staff attended activities at each site, 2-4 staff went to each site.

Tom Buffington Heights in Vinita, held 1 Adult Resident Activity on Thursday, January 17th, where they made arrowhead and seed bead necklaces. There were 8 adult residents and 4 CYD & ARS staff in attendance.

Will Rogers Senior Housing in Claremore, did not have an Adult Resident Activity on Thursday, January 24th, due to a fire sprinkler system malfunction, leaving us no place to hold the activity.

Wisdom Keepers in Tahlequah held 1 Adult Resident Activity on Thursday, January 10th, where they made arrowhead and seed bead necklaces. There were 12 adult residents and 4 CYD & ARS staff in attendance.

Jay Senior Housing held 1 Adult Resident Activity on Tuesday, January 8th, where they made arrowhead and seed bead necklaces. There were 13 adult residents and 4 CYDARS staff in attendance.

Stilwell Senior Housing held 1 Adult Resident Activity on Thursday, January 3rd, where residents made arrowhead and seed bead necklaces. There were 6 adult residents and 4 CYD & ARS staff in attendance.

Tahlequah Housing held 1 Adult Resident Activity on Monday, January 14th, where residents made arrowhead and seed bead necklaces. There were 7 adult residents and 4 CYD & ARS staff in attendance.

Lost City Community held 1 Adult Resident Activity on Tuesday, January 22nd, where residents made arrowhead and seed bead necklaces. There were 6 adult residents and 4 CYD & ARS staff in attendance.

Sallisaw/ Tsalagi apartments had 1 Adult Resident Activity on Thursday, January 3rd, where residents made arrowhead and seed bead necklaces. There were 13 adult residents & 4 CYD & ARS staff in attendance.

Chewey Community had 1 Adult Resident Activity on Tuesday, January 8th, where residents made arrowhead and seed bead necklaces. There were 10 adult residents & 2 CYD & ARS staff in attendance.

Oaks Family Support Center had 1 Adult Resident Activity on Monday, January 28th, where residents made arrowhead and seed bead necklaces. There were 5 adult residents & 3 CYD & ARS staff in attendance.

Mailed and handed out 275 copies of flyers about February adult resident activities to housing residents and housing offices in Stilwell, Claremore, Wisdom Keepers, Tahlequah (Leon Daniels, Ross Swimmer and Autumn Heights housing additions), Jay, Vinita, Tsalagi Apartments in Sallisaw, Oaks Community, Chewey Community Organization and Lost City Community Organization and e-mailed flyers to Wisdom Keepers, Stilwell Senior Housing, Tahlequah Housing Office, Jay Senior Housing and Tsalagi apartments in Sallisaw to post.

Activities scheduled in the future:

We have 10 youth activities scheduled for February 2019.

We will have activities in:

- Cherokee Heights on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, February 5th & 19th, 4 pm. – 6 pm.;
- Chewey on the 2nd Tuesday, February 12th, 5 pm. – 7 pm.;
- Briggs Boys & Girls Club, on the 2nd Wednesday, February 13th, 3:30 pm. – 5:15 pm.;
- Maryetta Boys & Girls Club, on the second Thursday, February 14th, 4 pm. – 5:30 pm.;
- Rocky Mountain Boys & Girls Club, on the 3rd Monday, February 18th, 4 pm. – 5:30 pm.;
- Cave Springs/Zion Boys & Girls Club, on the 4th Thursday, February 28th, 4 pm. – 5:30 pm.;
- Oaks Community, on the 3rd Thursday, February 21st, 5:30 pm. – 7 pm.;
- Talking Leaves Job Corp, on the 4th Tuesday, February 26th, 4 pm. – 5:30 pm.;
- Youth M.O.V.E., Sequoyah High School, on the 1st Monday, February 4th, 3:30 pm. – 5 pm.

We have 10 adult resident activities scheduled for February 2019.

We will have activities at:

- Stilwell Senior Housing, on the 1st Thursday, February 7th, 10 am. – 11:30 am.;
- Tsalagi Apartments, Sallisaw, on the 1st Thursday, February 7th, 2 pm.- 3:30 pm.;
- Swimmer/Autumn Heights/Leon Daniels, Tahlequah at the Gregg Glass building, on the 2nd Monday, February 11th, 1:30 pm. – 3:30 pm.;
- Jay Senior Housing, on the 2nd Tuesday, February 12th, 10 am. – 11:30 am.;
- Chewey, on the 2nd Tuesday, February 12th, 5 pm. – 7 pm.;
- Wisdom Keepers, Tahlequah, on the 2nd Thursday, February 14th, 1 pm. – 3 pm.;
- Tom Buffington Heights, Vinita, on the 3rd Thursday, February 21st, 1 pm. – 3 pm.;
- Oaks Family Support Center, on the 3rd Thursday, February 21st, 5:30 pm. – 7 pm.;
- Lost City, on the 4th Tuesday, February 26th, 1:30 pm. – 3 pm.;
- Will Rogers Senior Housing, Claremore, on the 4th Thursday, February 28th, 2 pm. – 4 pm.

Staff will be taking the HERO Projects, “Social Emotional Skills Building” training, on Wednesday, February 20th, 1 pm. – 3 pm. This was rescheduled from January 16th due to trainers being out of town on travel.

We are continually working on learning and putting together new projects, language lessons and leadership exercises to use at future youth and adult activities and teaching each other skills we have and making sure everyone is teaching the same way so we will not confuse the participants.

We are all working on getting projects ready and taking turns making sure all supplies and paperwork is ready for each activity.

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COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

Group: Housing Authority Month/Year of Report: March, 2019
Executive Director: Gary J. Cooper
Deputy Director: Erna Reeves Phone: 918-456-5482

Public Disclosures:

As required by 24 CFR Part 1000.30, services provided to Housing Authority of the Cherokee Nation / Cherokee Nation Employees and Employee relatives from funds received pursuant to the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA), shall be publicly disclosed.

The following applicants have been determined eligible for participation.

LOW RENT APARTMENT:

The following employee and/or relatives were approved to receive services for Low Rent Apartment pursuant to guidelines set forth in the Housing Policy as approved by the Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation and HACN Policy as approved by the Board of Commissioners.

None to report

HOMEOWNERSHIP:

The following employee and/or relatives were approved to receive services for Homeownership program pursuant to guidelines set forth in the Housing Policy as approved by the Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation and HACN Policy as approved by the Board of Commissioners.

None to report

RENTAL ASSISTANCE/TEMPORARY RENTAL ASSISTANCE/COLLEGE HOUSING:

The following employee and/or relatives were approved to receive services for Rental Assistance program pursuant to guidelines set forth in the Housing Policy as approved by the Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation and HACN Policy as approved by the Board of Commissioners.

None to report

NEW CONSTRUCTION HOMEOWNERSHIP PROGRAM: (Non-NAHASDA Program)

The following employee and/or relatives were approved to receive services for the New Construction Homeownership program pursuant to guidelines set forth in the HACN Policy as approved by the Board of Commissioners.

None to report

HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

The following employee and/or relatives were approved to receive services from the Housing Rehabilitation program pursuant to guidelines set forth in the HACN Policy as approved by the Board of Commissioners.

Clifton Pettit, spouse is Pauline Pettit of CN Human Services
Roberta Osburn, cousin is Denise Rooster of HACN
Emma Epperson, brother is Loy Towie of HACN
Sheila Ratliff, granddaughter is Amber Starr of HACN
Kristy Murphy, brother is Leo Murphy of HACN



Keys to a brighter future

Announcements

Board of Commissioners Meeting:

Mar 19 March Regular BOC Meeting at 5:30 PM

Office Closures:

Apr 19 Good Friday

Other Info:

Apr Southern Plains Indian Housing Association
15-18 Annual Meeting

All offices and staff of the HACN may be reached through the main office number, regardless of their office location. The local and toll free numbers are:

918-456-5482

800-837-2869

Employee Email is:

firstname.lastname@hacn.org

www.hacn.org

Housing Authority of the Cherokee Nation
Month Ending: January, 2019

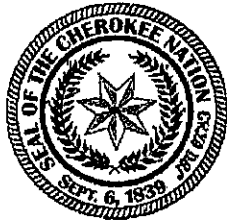
Current Program Participants:

County	Community Shield Insurance	Low Rent Apartments	Rental Assistance			Homeownership		Loans	Totals		
			Rental Assistance (RAP)	Temporary Assistance (TAP)	College Housing Programs	Home-ownership Programs	New Construction Homes Completed	Title VI / Other Mortgage Programs	Total Housing Participants	% of Participants	
Adair	307	153	80	0	5	105	76	19	745	14%	
Cherokee	291	176	304	2	18	221	186	60	1,258	23%	
Craig	27	46	28	0	7	10	29	2	149	3%	
Delaware	201	116	75	1	6	63	112	25	599	11%	
McIntosh	14	N/A	1	0	0	4	3	0	22	0%	
Mayes	153	119	52	0	10	48	58	12	452	8%	
Muskogee	85	48	41	0	4	47	52	13	290	5%	
Nowata	21	37	16	0	0	9	27	1	111	2%	
Ottawa	11	N/A	2	0	0	6	7	4	30	1%	
Rogers	82	66	155	4	5	70	36	43	461	9%	
Sequoyah	342	N/A	175	14	12	145	140	55	883	16%	
Tulsa	35	N/A	91	0	4	28	9	3	170	3%	
Wagoner	7	N/A	1	0	0	52	4	1	65	1%	
Washington	20	38	24	0	2	26	12	3	125	2%	
Total:	1,596	799	1,045	21	73	834	751	241	5,360	100%	
			1,139			1,585		241			

Current Applications:

County	Rehab Programs	Rehab Replacement Homes	Rehab Replacement Mobile	NAHASDA Home-ownership	Community Shield Insurance	Rental Properties / Apartments	Rental Assistance	New Home Construction	% NHCP	Total Apps	% of Total
Adair	213	1	2	12	3	307	127	213	11%	878	14%
Cherokee	168	1	2	15	2	302	296	576	29%	1,362	22%
Craig	56	0	0	1	0	28	19	54	3%	158	3%
Delaware	150	1	0	7	1	98	77	223	11%	557	9%
McIntosh	7	0	0	0	0	N/A	1	10	0%	18	0%
Mayes	103	0	0	5	0	44	97	144	7%	393	6%
Muskogee	73	0	0	4	0	49	94	99	5%	319	5%
Nowata	31	0	0	4	0	26	15	46	2%	122	2%
Ottawa	11	0	0	1	0	N/A	12	33	2%	57	1%
Rogers	87	0	0	8	1	206	204	185	9%	691	11%
Sequoyah	248	1	3	25	5	N/A	300	192	10%	774	13%
Tulsa	79	1	0	24	1	N/A	203	155	8%	463	8%
Wagoner	16	0	0	2	0	N/A	13	44	2%	75	1%
Washington	55	0	0	7	0	50	57	44	2%	213	4%
Total:	1,297	5	7	115	13	1,110	1,515	2,018	100%	6,080	100%

Housing Authority of the Cherokee Nation
 Month Ending: December, 2018



Tribal HUD - VASH

VA Supportive Housing Program

County	Applications			Assistance	Totals	
	Referrals Received / Applications Processing	Vouchers Issued	Waiting List	Housed Veteran	Total	% of Participants
Adair	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Cherokee	2	0	0	4	6	33%
Craig	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Delaware	0	0	0	2	2	11%
McIntosh	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Mayer	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Muskogee	0	1	0	3	4	22%
Nowata	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Ottawa	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Rogers	0	0	0	4	4	22%
Sequoyah	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Tulsa	0	0	0	1	1	6%
Wagoner	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Washington	0	0	0	1	1	6%
Total:	2	1	0	15	18	100%



TRIBAL HUD-VASH HOUSING VOUCHER PROGRAM

**THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CHEROKEE
NATION AND THE OF DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN
AFFAIRS ARE OFFERING A HOUSING VOUCHER
PROGRAM FOR NATIVE AMERICAN VETERANS WHO
ARE HOMELESS OR AT-RISK OF BECOMING
HOMELESS.**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION OR FOR AN
APPOINTMENT TO SEE IF YOU QUALIFY FOR THIS
PROGRAM, PLEASE CONTACT LISA LOOK AT THE
JACK C. MONTGOMERY VAMC.**

DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN AFFAIRS
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Tribal HUD/VASH Case Manager for Cherokee Nation
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Phone: (918) 616-8794 | Fax: (918) 577-3329
Lisa.Look@va.gov

**New Construction Homeownership Program
Development Files Processing**

Month of:
Jan, 2019

County	Waiting List	Applications		Processing						Construction		In Processing	Land	Development	Under Construction	Construction Complete		
		App Problem	App Processing	Stg I	Stg II	Stg III	Stg IV	Under / Ready Const	Construction Complete									
				Prelim Review	Site Inspect	Problem Files	Survey Pending	Survey Rec'd	Process Closing									
Adair	174	0	0	5	1	0	2	2	11	8	76	0	21	8	76			
Cherokee	521	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	11	31	186	0	14	31	186			
Craig	50	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	29	0	3	0	29			
Delaware	189	0	1	3	1	0	0	0	7	13	112	1	11	13	112			
McIntosh	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	1	0	3			
Mayes	130	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	1	58	0	6	1	58			
Muskogee	87	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	5	5	52	2	6	5	52			
Nowata	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	27	0	0	1	27			
Ottawa	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	7			
Rogers	180	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	36	0	2	1	36			
Sequoyah	167	0	9	0	0	0	0	1	7	1	140	9	8	1	140			
Tulsa	155	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	9			
Wagoner	38	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	4	0	1	1	4			
Washington	44	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	2	0	12			
Total:	1,820	0	12	16	3	0	4	3	49	62	751	12	75	62	751			
			12	75							813							

STAGE I:
Copies of Deed(s), etc.
Check Floodmaps/Floodplain
Identify Utility Companies
Contact for Site Inspection

STAGE II:
Visit Site
Identify/Propose Site Plan
Identify/Propose Utilities
Identify/Propose Lateral Field
Identify/Propose Easement(s)
Deliver Utility Assurance Letters
Request Abstract from participant

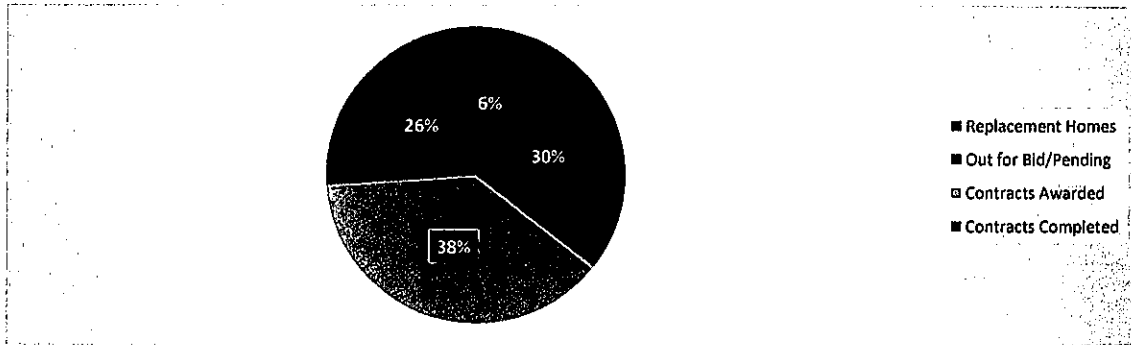
STAGE III:
Order/Receive Survey
Order/Receive Perc Test
Receive Utility Assurance
Receive Abstract from participant

STAGE IV:
Survey Review / Identify Barriers / Process for Closing

Housing Rehabilitation Programs - Job Statistics

Month Ending:
January, 2019

Replacement Homes	8
Out for Bid/Pending	41
Contracts Awarded	53
Contracts Completed	36



Classification	Monthly Activity	Year to Date
Emergency	44	138
Rehab	0	2
Replacement	0	1
Storm Shelters	1	5
Weatherization	6	15
BIA - HIP Program	0	0
Lead Based Paint	0	5
All Rehab Jobs	51	166

Rehab

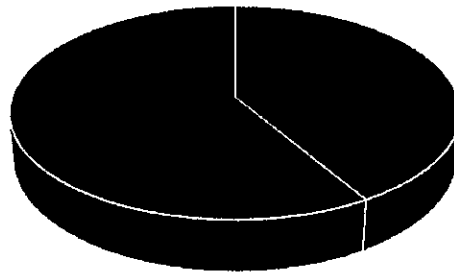


- Emergency
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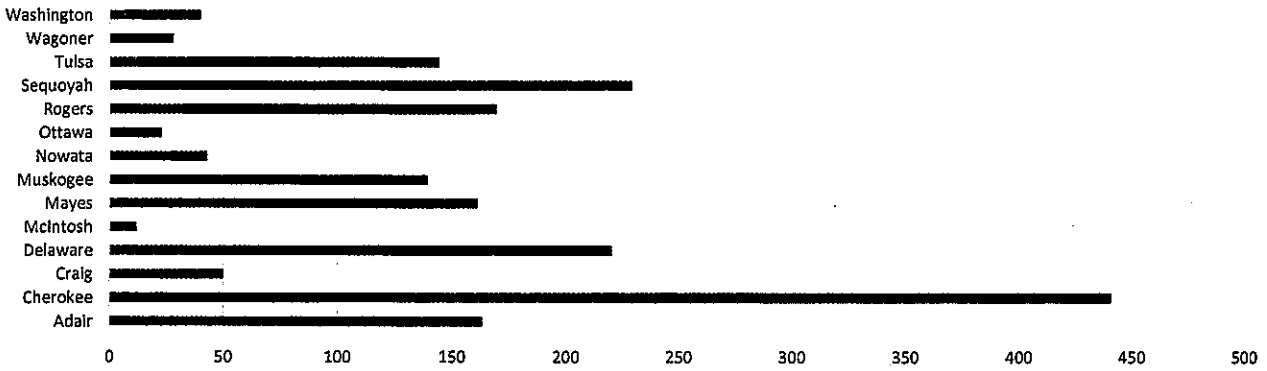
**New Construction Homeownership Program
Application Data**

By Has Land/Does not have land:

County	Has Land	Without Land	% With Land	% W/O Land	Total Apps
Adair	78	85	48%	52%	163
Cherokee	212	229	48%	52%	441
Craig	22	28	44%	56%	50
Delaware	104	116	47%	53%	220
McIntosh	7	5	58%	42%	12
Mayes	83	78	52%	48%	161
Muskogee	51	88	37%	63%	139
Nowata	27	16	63%	37%	43
Ottawa	6	17	26%	74%	23
Rogers	32	137	19%	81%	169
Sequoyah	118	111	52%	48%	229
Tulsa	12	132	8%	92%	144
Wagoner	12	16	43%	57%	28
Washington	7	33	18%	83%	40
Total:	771	1,091	41%	59%	1,862

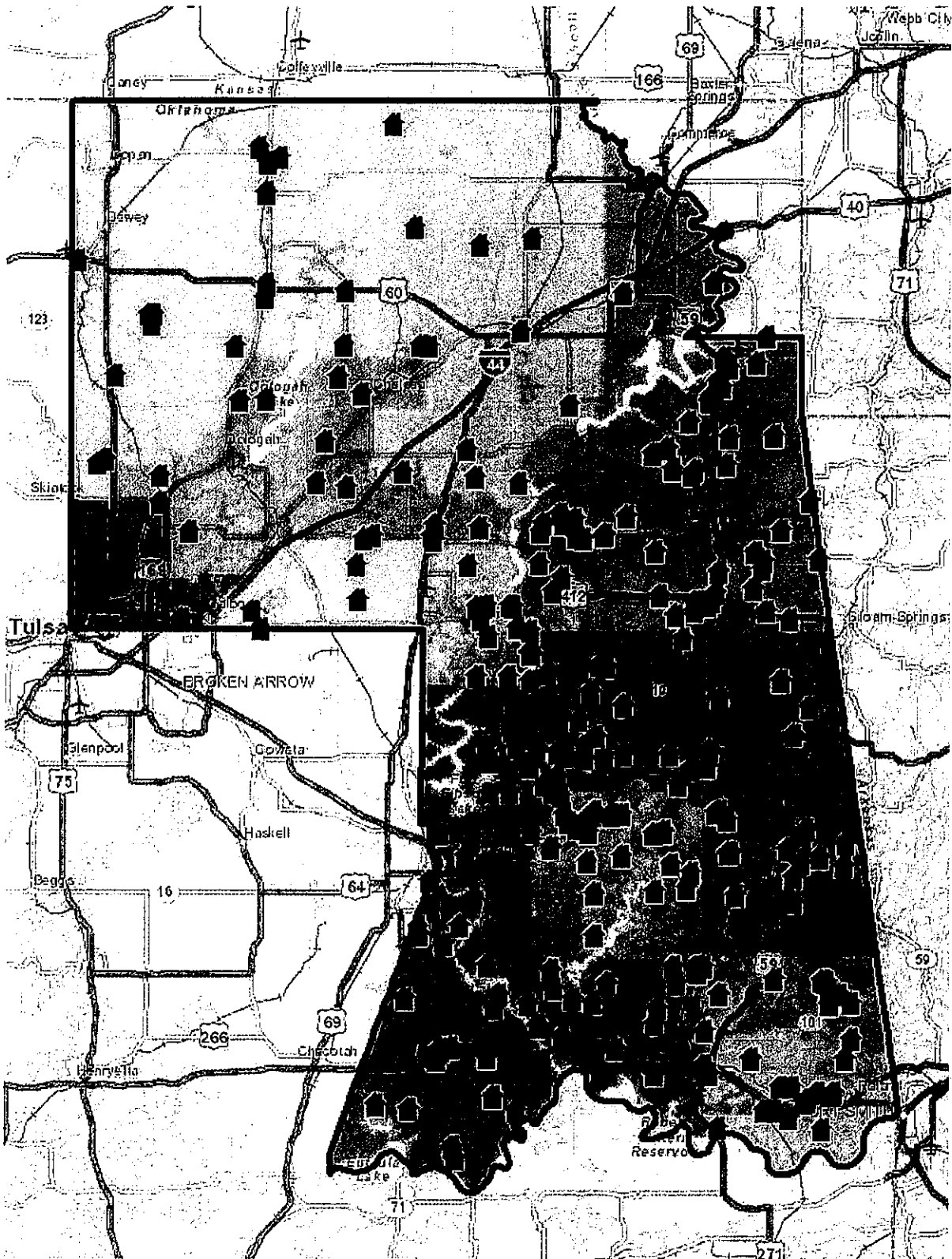


■ Has Land
■ Without Land



Statistics as of: May 30, 2017

HACN New Construction Program



The above map is a representation of locations that the HACN has inspected sites for and/or built new homes on the New Home Construction Program.

CHEROKEE NATION TRIBAL COUNCIL
COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

Group: Community Services/ Dept. of Trans. **Month/Year of Report:** March 2019

Executive Director: Martha Ketcher **Phone:** 918-453-5248 **E-mail:** Martha-Ketcher@cherokee.org

Comments:

ADAIR COUNTY PROJECTS:

1. Bell School South – Construction of the waterline relocation began on 2/14/19 with 45 days scheduled.
2. Dahlongah South – Continued right of way acquisition of one remaining fee parcel.(Haste/Rhonda Pritchett) Working with utility companies to prepare and complete applications for utility easements across 15 trust/restricted parcels.
3. Malloy Hollow –. Preparing r/w exhibits, writing legal descriptions for easements and checking the documents.
4. Rocky Mountain School Loop/BR –. Condemnation of remaining parcel filed 2/12/19. Heirs will need to be served, and afterwards the court will need to appoint commissioners to set a value for the easement. Ozark Electric has begun clearing trees for this relocation.

CHEROKEE COUNTY PROJECTS:

1. Northeast Fort Gibson- A notice to proceed has been sent to Rossco. Construction time started on February 18, 2019. 127 letters were mailed to property owners giving an update for construction of Phase I.
2. Ross Street- A notice to proceed with a start date of January 16, 2019 has been sent to Ground Zero. AT&T implemented temporary measures to prevent a delay in the roadway construction and anticipates completing the remaining relocation measures within the next two weeks.construction ongoing with clearing and grubbing and earth work.
3. Hulbert Lost City – Revisions need to be made before sending to Engineers. Corporate paperwork for the utilities crossing restricted parcels was received and submitted to the BIA February 11, 2019. Working with DA's office and RES to acquire parcel that is owned in part fee & part restricted status. LREC will begin cleaing trees required for their relocation.

CRAIG COUNTY PROJECTS:

1. NS4340 White Oak Road –Northeast Oklahoma Electric Cooperative is currently relocating their facilities.
2. NS4410 Vinita Clinic – Cherokee Nation/Craig County portion of project has one fee parcel and one tribal trust parcel remaining to be acquired.

DELAWARE COUNTY PROJECTS:

CHEROKEE NATION TRIBAL COUNCIL
COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Leach/Kenwood Road – Construction is at 85% complete. Contract liquidated damages began on February 11, 2017. As of January 31, 2019 the number of days have accumulated to -720 days over the contract time at \$1,000.00 per day.

MAYES COUNTY PROJECTS:

1. Chimney Rock – Northeast Oklahoma Electric anticipates starting construction on this project by mid-February.

SEQUOYAH COUNTY PROJECTS:

1. Dwight Mission Rd/McKey Rd I-40 to Pinhook – North end acquisition complete. South end has 3 remaining parcels. ODOT issued a conditional letter of clearance to secure federal funds. The County has cleared the right of way to mitigate environmental concerns. Sequoyah County Water Association has been issued a Notice to Proceed for their waterline relocation.

III. CHEROKEE TRANSIT SYSTEM:

Ridership on all routes for the month of January 2019 were:

1. Sallisaw to Tahlequah – 199 rides
2. Pryor to Catoosa – 748 rides
3. Salina to Tahlequah – 43 rides
4. Stilwell to Tahlequah – 73 rides
5. Muskogee to Tahlequah – 152 rides
6. Tahlequah to Pryor/Claremore – 143 rides
7. Tahlequah to Catoosa – 207 rides
8. Stilwell to West Siloam Springs – 395 rides
9. Tahlequah to Muskogee – 72 rides
10. Individual Demand Response Trips: 8,162

Total Rides: 10,194

Note: Ridership reports run 2 months behind.

Commerce Group

Securing and enhancing the financial well-being of the Cherokee people, businesses and communities

Anna Knight, Executive Director
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Mortgage Assistance Program

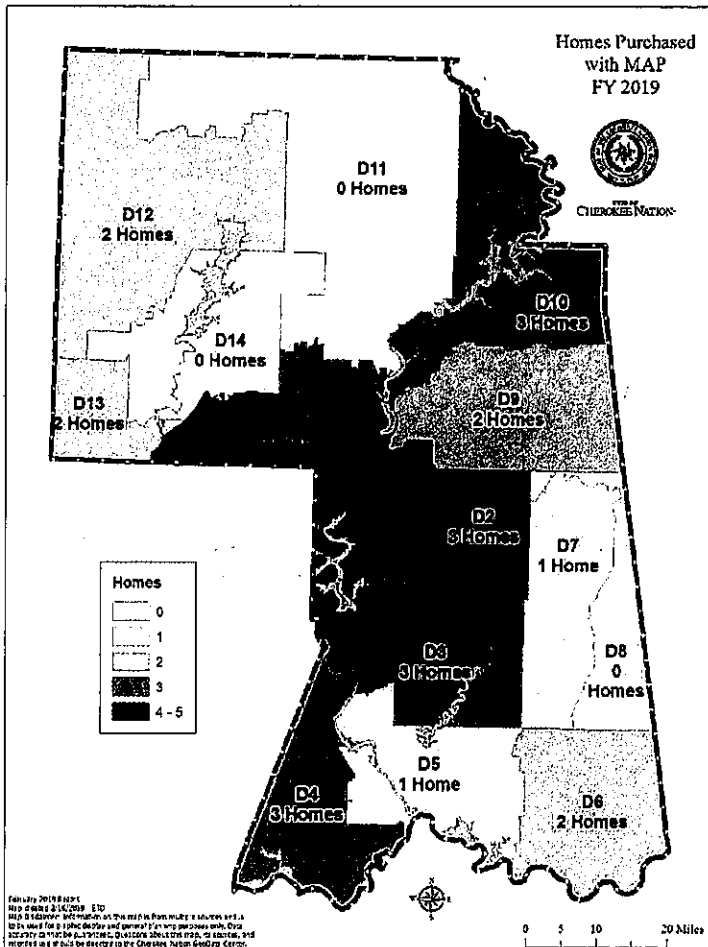


32 Families became homeowners through financial counseling and down payment assistance.

15 families used the HUD 184 Loan Program.

MAP Household Averages

Household income	\$37,499.59
Home Price	\$101,206.25
Equity Created	17.33%



Since FY2009, **1,747 households** have used the Mortgage Assistance Program to invest in their family's future and purchase a home.

62.5% of families who purchased a home in FY19 moved up at least one level in the **Financial Prosperity Spectrum**.

The **Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA)** is in full swing. Tax preparation began February 5th with services offered in multiple locations throughout Cherokee Nation. **492 tax returns had been prepared and filed as of February 15th.**

The iSave program was a good learning experience. You learn how to save money to achieve your goals.

P. Walker, iSave recipient Cherokee County

Financial Counseling

MAP Applications and Financial Counseling



- Short Term less than 12 months
- Long Term from 1 to 3 years
- Mortgage Ready capable in 90 days
- Applications Pending Eligibility

302 families are in the home buyers' pipeline, either having completed or active in financial counseling.

Since FY07, **908 families unable to obtain a non-predatory mortgage on their own** have completed self-sufficiency counseling and obtained a non-predatory mortgage.

20 families this year have finished counseling to obtain a non-predatory mortgage.

502 families have participated in financial and credit coaching this year.

302 families still actively pursuing goals

- 1% financial prosperity
- 30% financial success
- 28% financially stable
- 37% financially instable

Financial Counseling Impact

Increase to Credit Score	55 points
Debt to Income with Mortgage	28.7%
Debt to Income Reduction after Counseling	5.7%

845 consumer loans totaling \$991,221.14 have been made through the Small Business Assistance Center as of February 15th. Year to date, Self Sufficiency staff members have worked with **5 families facing foreclosure**. All 5 families are currently in foreclosure prevention counseling.

230 families are actively saving in iSave for home rehabilitation or home purchase. iSave is a *matched savings program* wherein income eligible families save money over a period of time and the iSave program matches the families' savings to build financial assets.

Families purchasing a home must attend an intensive **homeownership training** class. Year to date **54 families have attended these classes**, which are held throughout the Cherokee Nation.

Financial education classes are offered at no cost. Employees and the public have the opportunity to attend financial education classes on topics ranging from creating spending plans to balancing checkbooks. Year to date, **200 people have attended community and work based financial education classes.**

Training Schedule

Interested in attending a class? Contact Susan Sharp at 918-453-5536 or susan-sharp@cherokee.org.

Workshops and Classes			
Date	Location	Time	Workshop
March 2 nd	Claremore	9:00 am – 6:00 pm	Homebuyers Training
March 4 th	Tahlequah	11:00 – 1:00 pm	Dave Ramsey FPU
April 6 th	Tahlequah	9:00 am – 6:00 pm	Homebuyers Training
April 15 th	Claremore	5:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Homebuyers Training
April 16 th	Claremore	5:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Homebuyers Training
April 17 th	Tahlequah	11:00 am – 1:00 pm	Financial Empowerment
May 3 rd	Sallisaw	9:00 am – 6:00 pm	Homebuyers Training
May 6 th	Tahlequah	5:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Homebuyers Training
May 7 th	Tahlequah	5:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Homebuyers Training
May 8 th	Tahlequah	11:00 am – 1:00 pm	Financial Empowerment
May 13 th	Claremore	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	Homebuyers Training

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CHEROKEE NATION®

Indian Child Welfare



MONTHLY REPORT

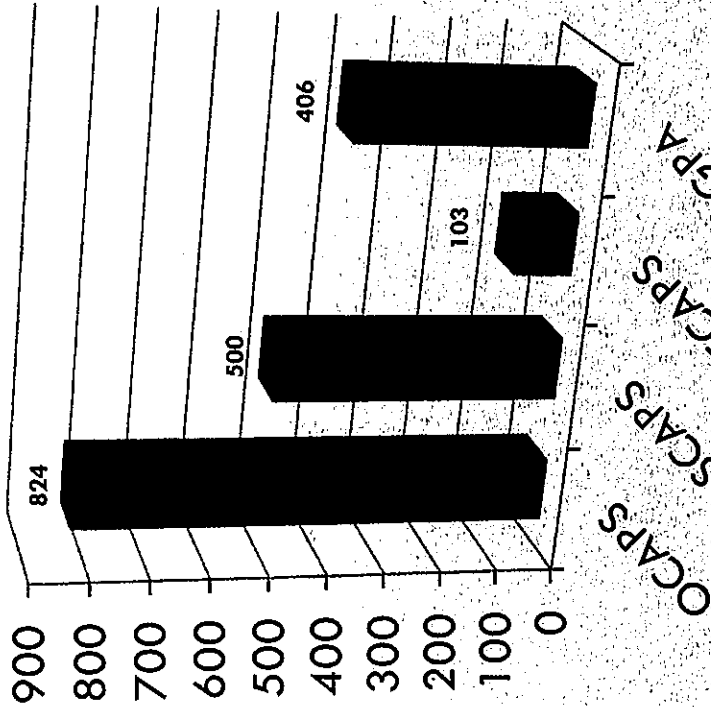
January 2019

Nikki Baker Limore, Executive Director

Protecting Children, Families and the Nation

Month of January:

1,833 Children
with Assigned ICW Workers



Programs With Court Interaction

OCAPS: Out-Of-District Court Advocacy and Permanency Services

- Involved in child welfare cases in non-jurisdiction counties in Oklahoma and all 50 states.
- Most work is done telephonically or electronically.
- Emphasis on education about the Indian Child Welfare Act and ensuring States comply with it.

SCAPS: State Court Advocacy and Permanency Services

- Involved in child welfare cases inside the 14 counties of which all or part are within the jurisdiction of the Nation.
- Emphasis on education about the Indian Child Welfare Act and ensuring OKDHS compliance, and sometimes provide Tribal Foster Homes.
- Provides services to the families when OKDHS fails to do so or as an alternative to OK DHS services.

TCAPS: Tribal Court Advocacy and Permanency Services

- Involved in child welfare cases which are wholly under the jurisdiction of the Nation and OKDHS is not involved.
- These cases originate on Indian Country or are transferred in from State district courts. Hearings are held at our Tribal Court House. Tribal Foster Homes are fully utilized.

GPA: Guardianships and Private Adoptions

- Involved in civil adoption cases to include voluntary adoption, involuntary adoption and birth parent adoptions.
- Monitors Guardianships and Private Adoptions for compliance with the Indian Child Welfare Act and the best interests of children.
- Serves Cherokee children and their families in Tribal Courts and State Courts throughout the United States.

CPS: Child Protective Services

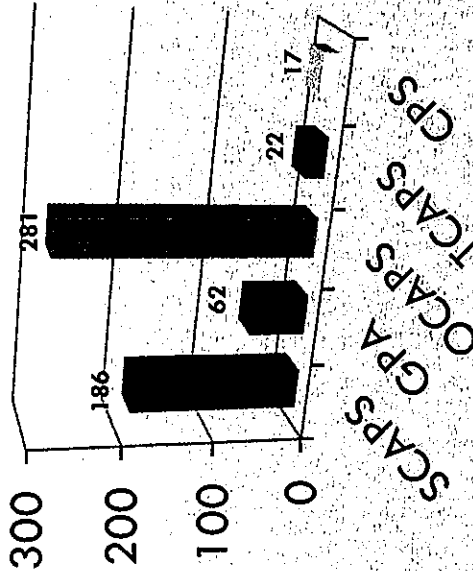
- Receives referrals involving allegations of maltreatment of Cherokee children.
- Investigates allegations of child maltreatment in Indian Country and co-investigates with DHS in some counties when Cherokee children are involved.

Exercise of Tribal Sovereignty

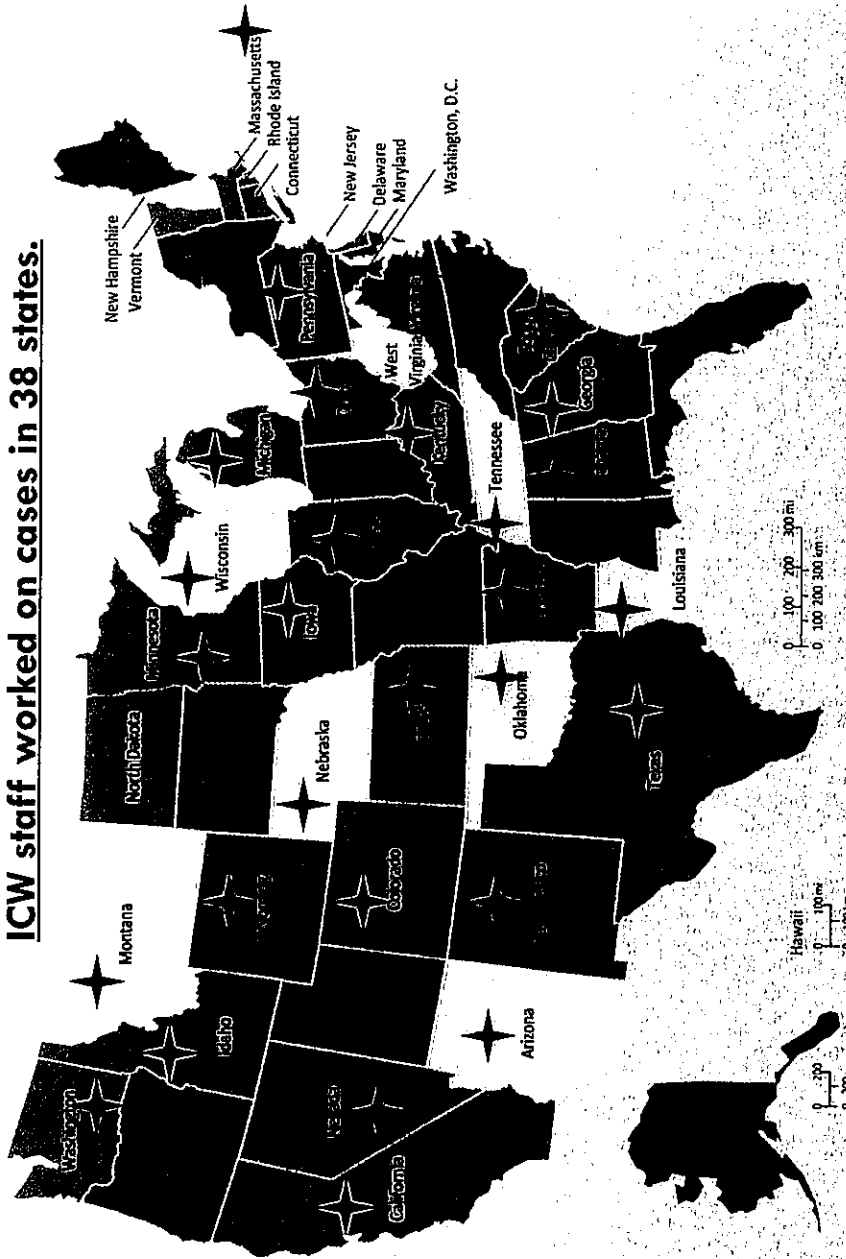
In January:

Indian Child Welfare workers went to court 568 times on behalf of Cherokee children and families.

Court Appearances



ICW staff worked on cases in 38 states.



Efficient & Effective Work

Eligibility Notices

When a County or State's child welfare agency gets involved in the life of a family that they suspect to be Cherokee, they're required by the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) to send Notice to the tribe. The tribe must then reply to confirm or deny whether the children are members of (or eligible to become members of) the tribe. Currently, with six case workers processing approximately 200-300 pieces of mail, per month, response times may vary due to vacancies and depending on amount of mail received. The tribe has a goal of responding between 45-60 days.

Month of January

Cherokee Nation received:

- State of Oklahoma – 586 notices involving 1,039 children.
- Outside of Oklahoma – 961 notices for 1,574 children.
- Totalling – 1,547 notices and 2,613 children.
- The average Response-to-Notice time this month was 68 days.

Prevention and Intervention

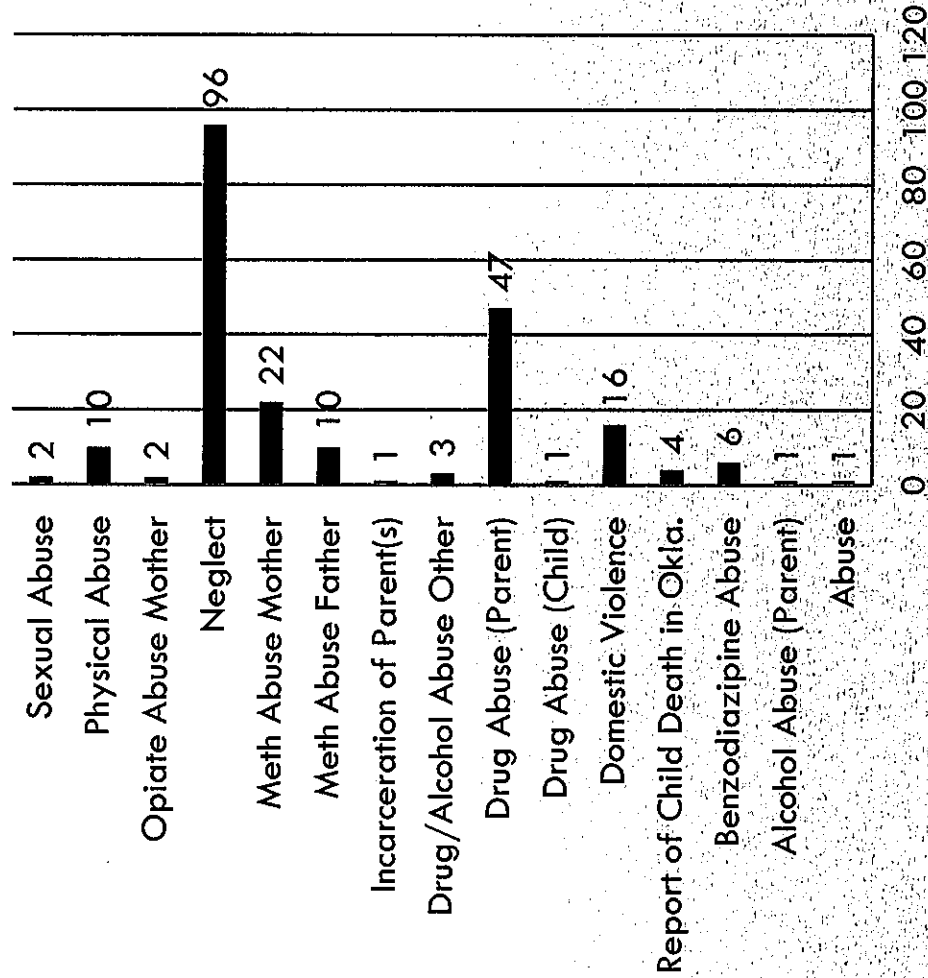
Indian Child Welfare Family Protection Services Unit (FPS) assists families in need of hands-on training to correct the conditions that lead to children being removed from their home. These services often include completing a 28 week parenting program that discusses topics like discipline, nutrition, budgeting, and housekeeping. We primarily assist all our tribal CAPS cases but can assist in State cases when a request is made. This helps insure that families have the tools they need to be reunited. We have also added Triple P Parenting curriculum to our program this year.

Month of January

FPS served 25 children and 20 families.

Child Protective Services

Types of Abuse/Neglect Reported



Month of January

- Child Protective Services (CPS) received 334 referrals of child abuse/neglect.
- 334 referrals involved 549 children
 - 2 of the 334 were co-investigated by OKDHS and CPS
 - 16 of the 334 cases were investigated by CPS on-Indian-Country
- 9 Cherokee child(ren) were removed from Tribal land due to confirmed abuse/neglect.

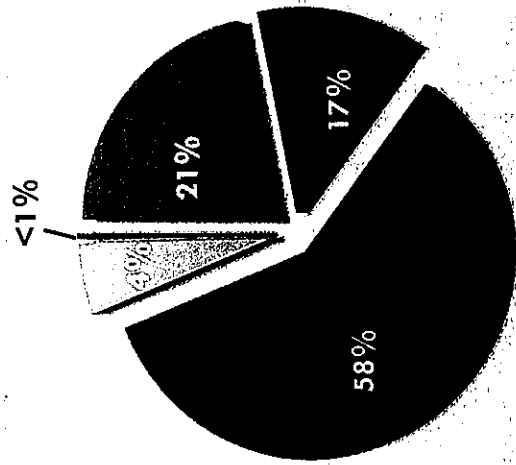
*Almost all referrals are for a primary reason as well as neglect.

Certification and Placement

(Foster & Adoptive Homes)

Certifications Services for the month of January

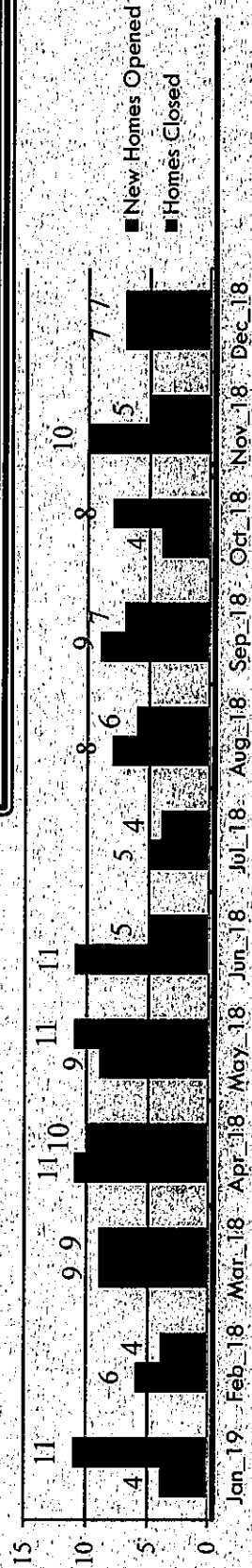
Homes by Type



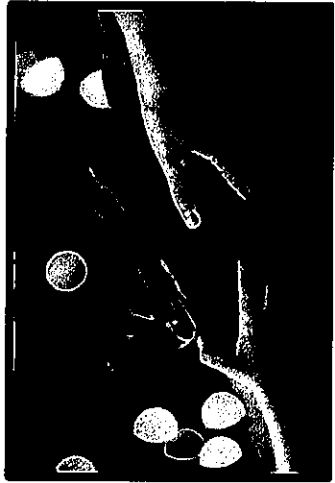
- Non-Relative Foster Only
- Relative Foster and Adopt
- Non-Relative Fost/Adopt/Non-Relative Adopt
- Adoptive Only
- Emergency/Respite

Types of Certified Placement Resource Homes

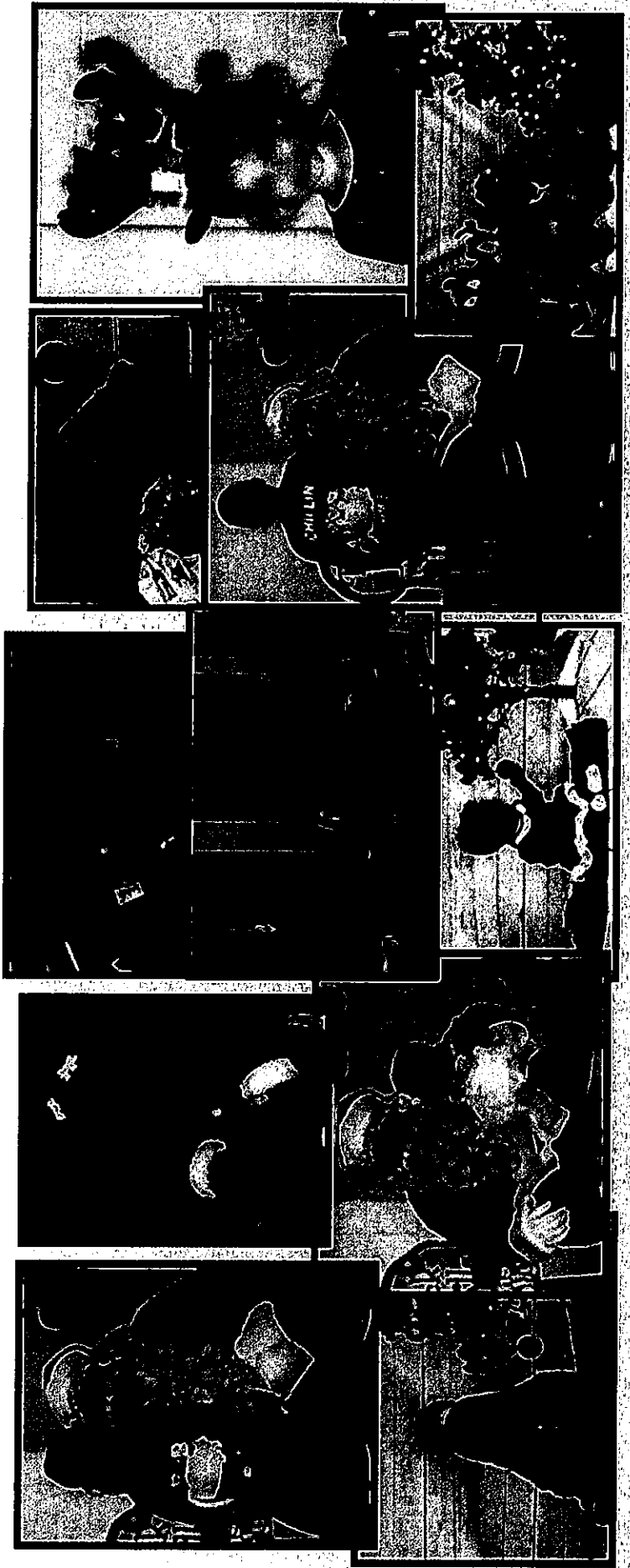
- Non-Relative Adoptive: Families who hope to adopt children when the children's parents' rights are terminated. These homes do not take foster placements.
- Non-Relative Fost/Adopt: Families who take foster placement of children knowing their parental rights are not terminated and they could return home, but if they don't the placement family will have the first chance to adopt them.
- Non-Relative Foster: Families who are willing to take in children they do not know on a temporary basis, but may last years. These families usually do not adopt children.
- Relative Adoptive/Foster: Families who are related to the children and are fostering them or planning to adopt them. They do not take in children they are not related to.
- Emergency/Respite: Families that take very short-term placement of children while more permanent placements are sought or when only a short-term placement is needed.



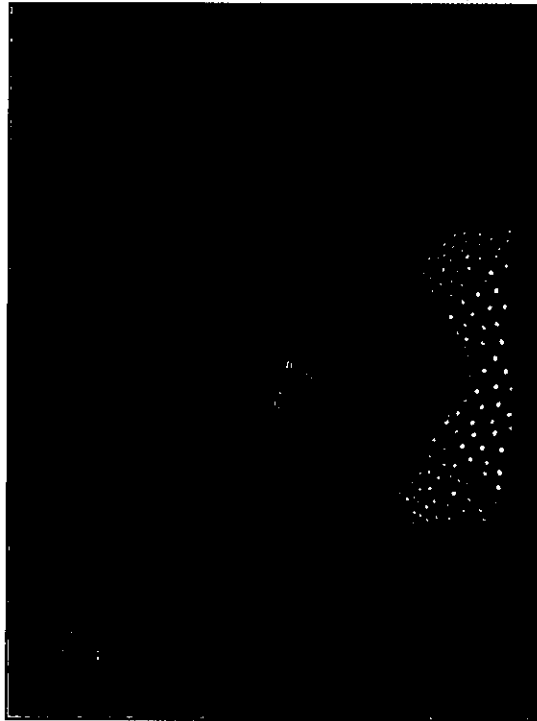
Nearly 1800 children were served during the
2018 Cherokee Nation Angel Project!



Tribal CAPS Christmas Party!



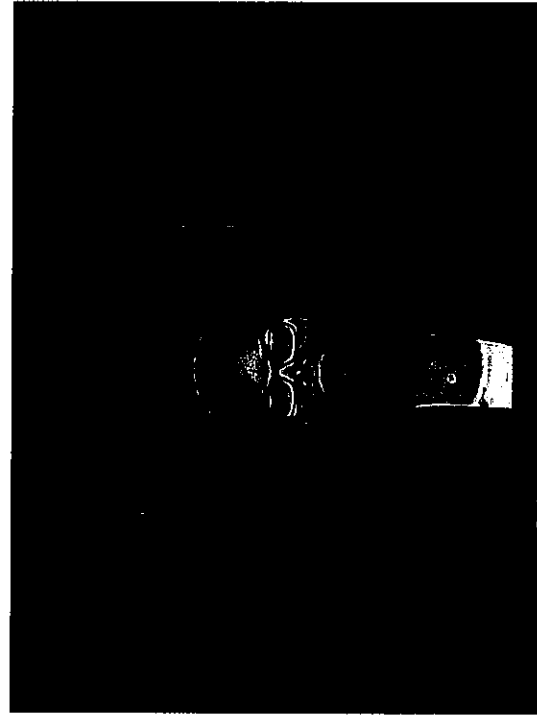
Meet our new staff!



Kimberly Bakridge

Kimberly began working with ICW on 10/22/18. Kimberly will be working full time in the Tahlequah office in Office Services. Kimberly's supervisor is Lynn Jackson. Here are 3 things Kimberly would like you to know about her:

1. She has 4 cats.
2. She likes to read.
3. She likes to play video games.



Heather

Heather began working with ICW on 10/22/18. Heather will be working full time in the Tahlequah office in Office Services. Heather's supervisor is Lynn Jackson. Here are 3 things Heather would like you to know about her:

1. She likes to read.
2. She likes to play video games.
3. She likes to help others.