

HUMAN SERVICES

Tribal Council Monthly Report

June 2018

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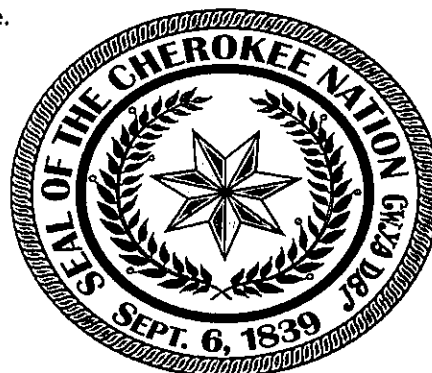
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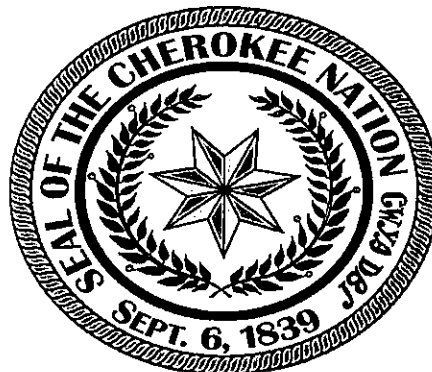


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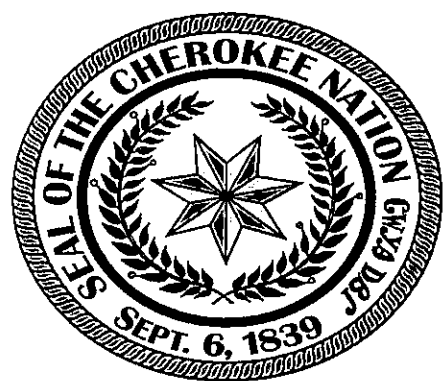
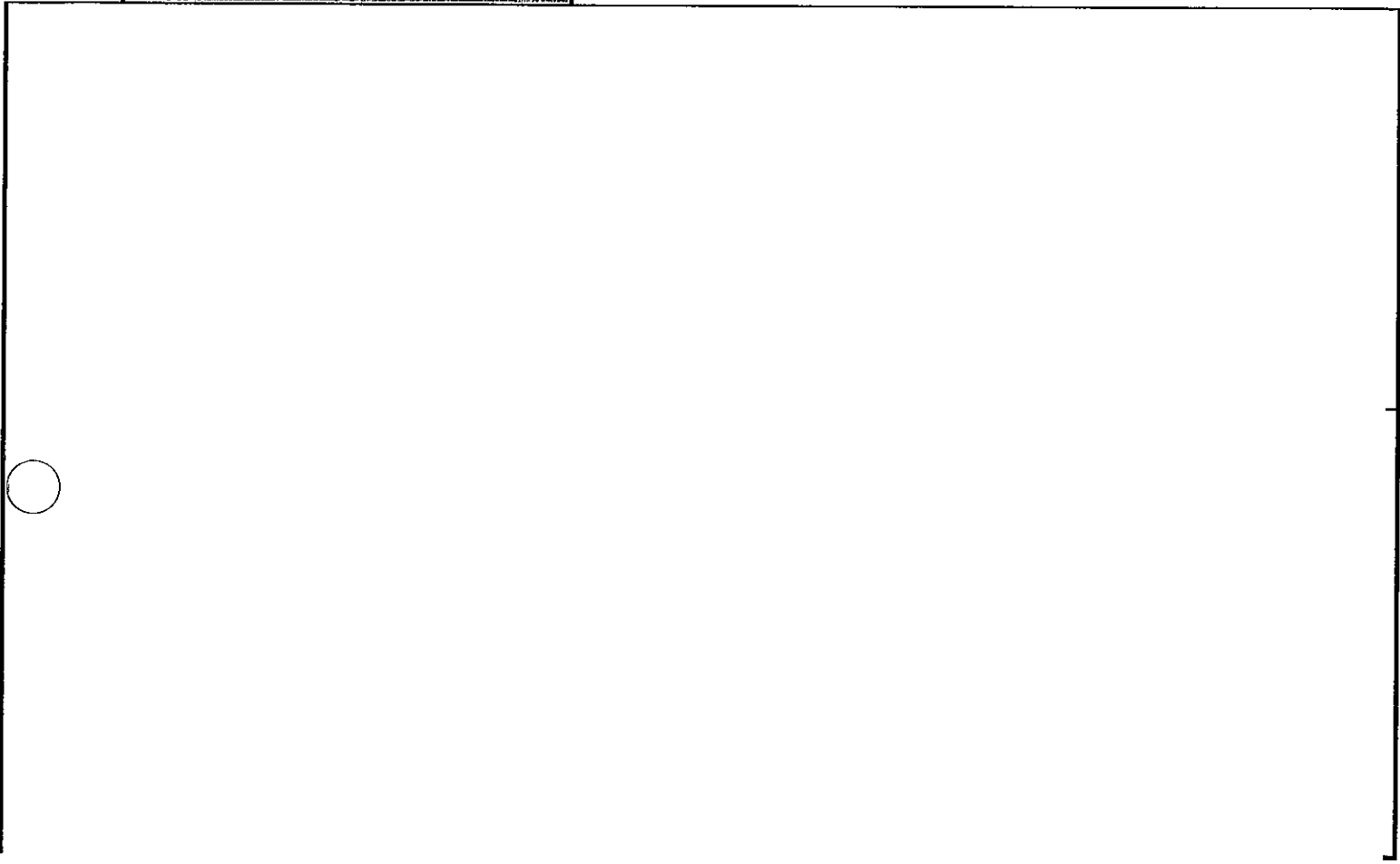


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HUMAN SERVICES

Number of Employees	269
Number of Vacancies	30
Number of Volunteers	30

Human Services Announcements:



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YOUTH SERVICES & SPECIAL PROJECTS

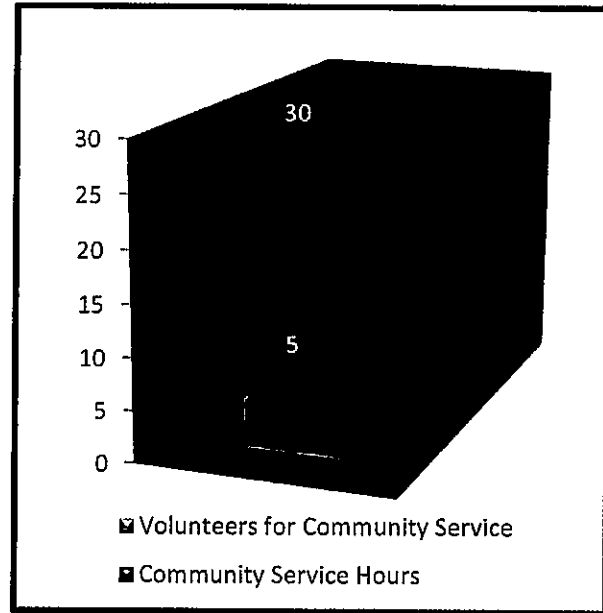
Director - Jennifer Kirby

Number of Employees	22
Number of Vacancies	4
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	8
Admissions	4

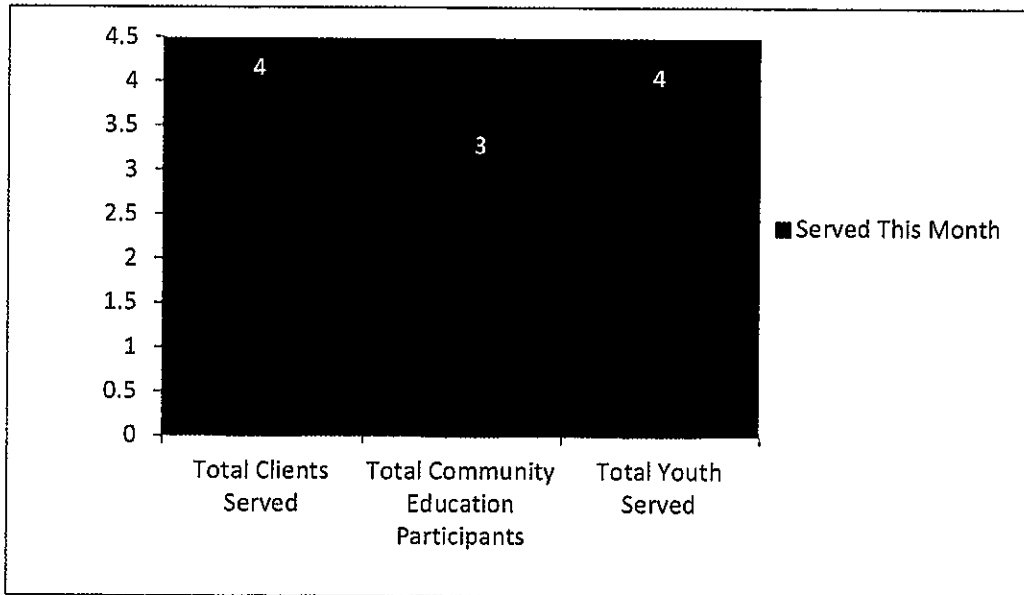
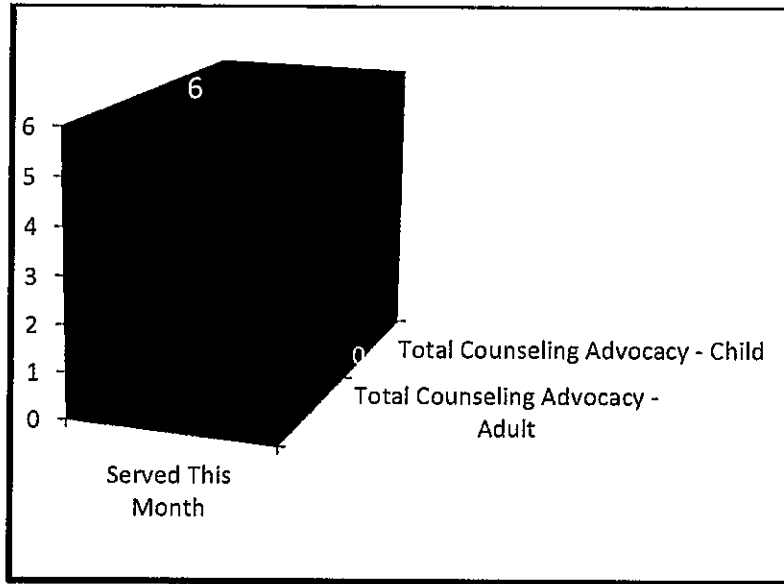


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YOUTH SERVICES & SPECIAL PROJECTS

Youth Services :

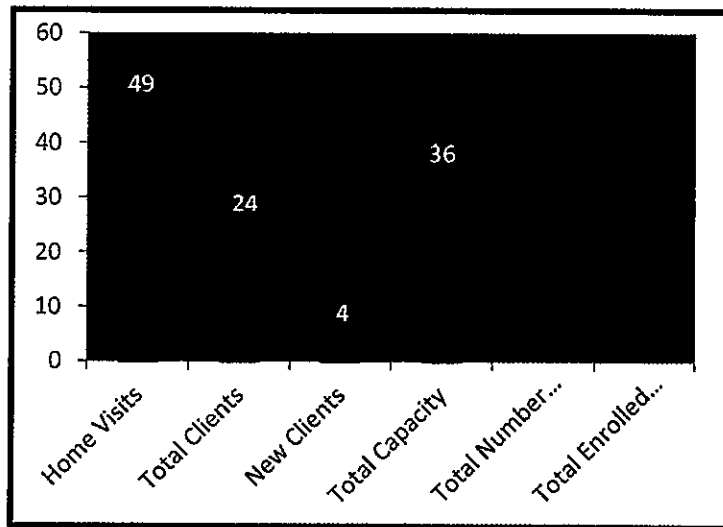
Total Community Events & Presentations 3



YOUTH SERVICES & SPECIAL PROJECTS

Cherokee PARENTS :

Total Clients	24
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Child Care Development Centers :

- Stilwell - There are an additional 13 children enrolled in the Summer Care Program. On June 26th a full licensing visit was conducted along with the STARS review. No deficiencies were noted. The parking lot was restriped and painted so the designated Handicap parking and fire lane are now visible.

- Tahlequah - School Age Program vs. Brown Bears in Annual Track Meet; CDC celebrated Mud Day on June 28th.

- Resource & Referral - Children's Farmers Market mtgs, Native American Assoc mtg, Northeast Partnership, T.O.S.S. Institute, CN Comm mtg Braggs, CN Comm mtg Stilwell, OTCCA mtg, OCCRRA monitoring mtg, OCCRRA Board, Mud Day Ketchum, Women Are Sacred, FCCH conf

- Licensing - Comm Mtgs- Blackgum, Braggs, Sperry, Women Are Sacred Conf, Mud Day, Resilience Trg, Getting organized, CCOA Wkgrp Ref:5 Warm line, CACPF, CCRC-3



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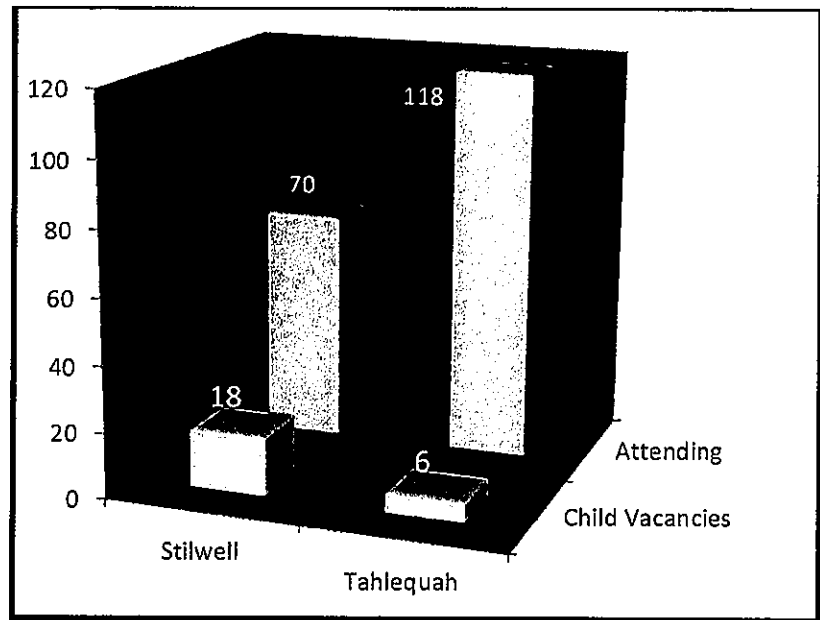
CHILD CARE & CHILD DEVELOPMENT

Director - Tricia Peoples

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Number of Vacancies	17
Number of Volunteers	0

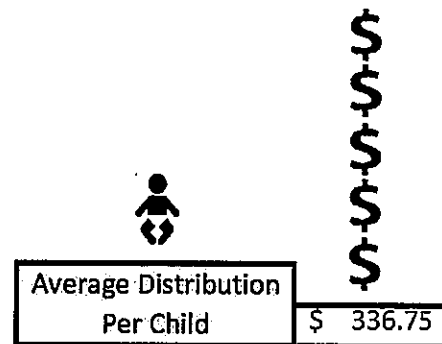
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Child Care Development Centers
Subsidy
Resource & Referral
Licensing & Monitoring

Child Care Development Centers :



Subsidy :

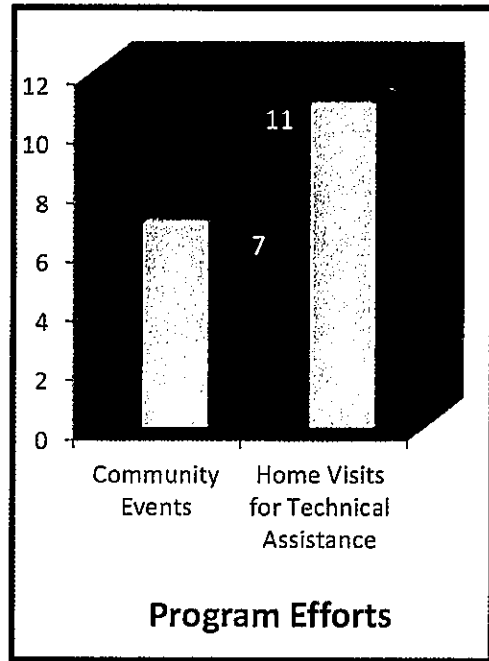
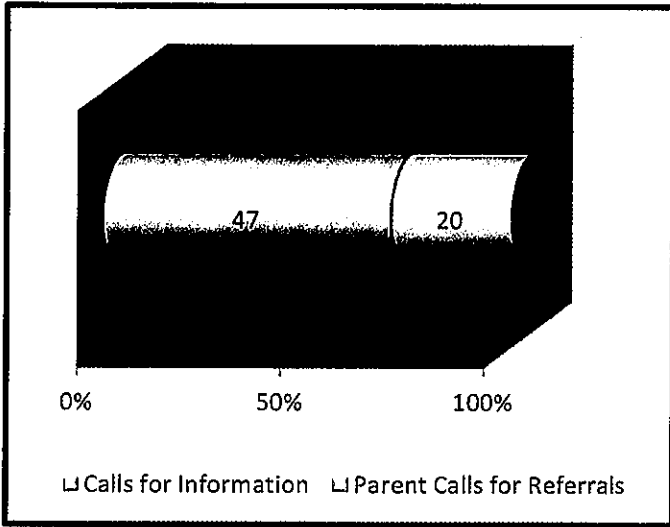
Children Receiving	1,845
Amount Distributed	\$ 621,311.00



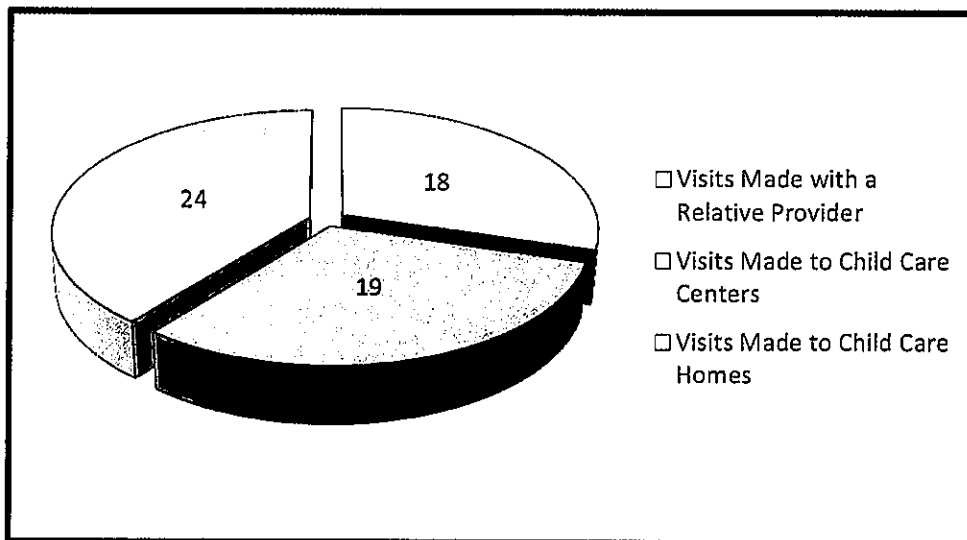
CHILD CARE & CHILD DEVELOPMENT

Resource & Referral :

Trainings for the Month	5
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Licensing & Monitoring :



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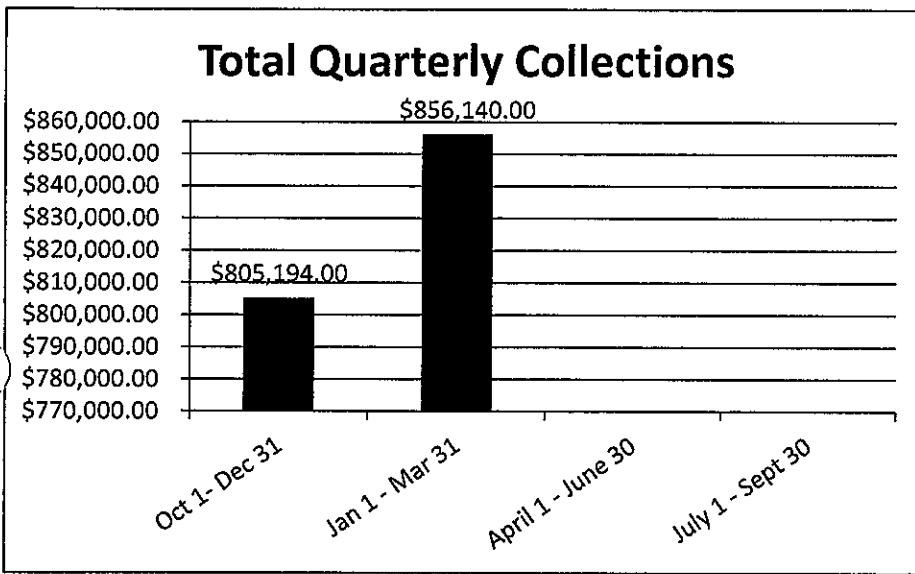
OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT

Director - Kara Whitworth

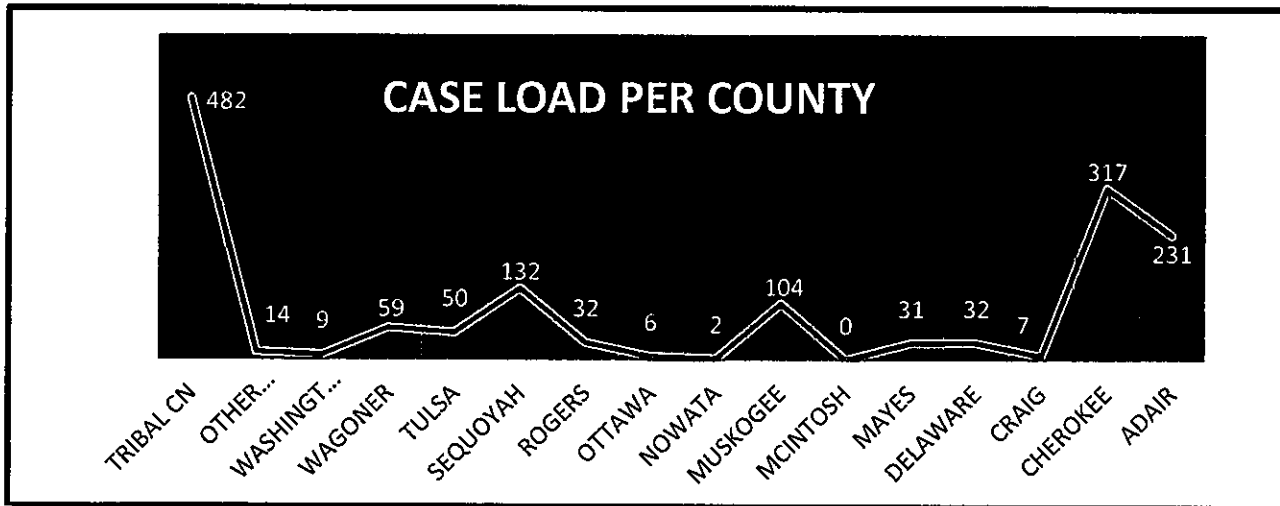
Number of Employees	31
Number of Vacancies	1
Number of Volunteers	

June Collections-CN Payment Center only:	\$ 275,764.00
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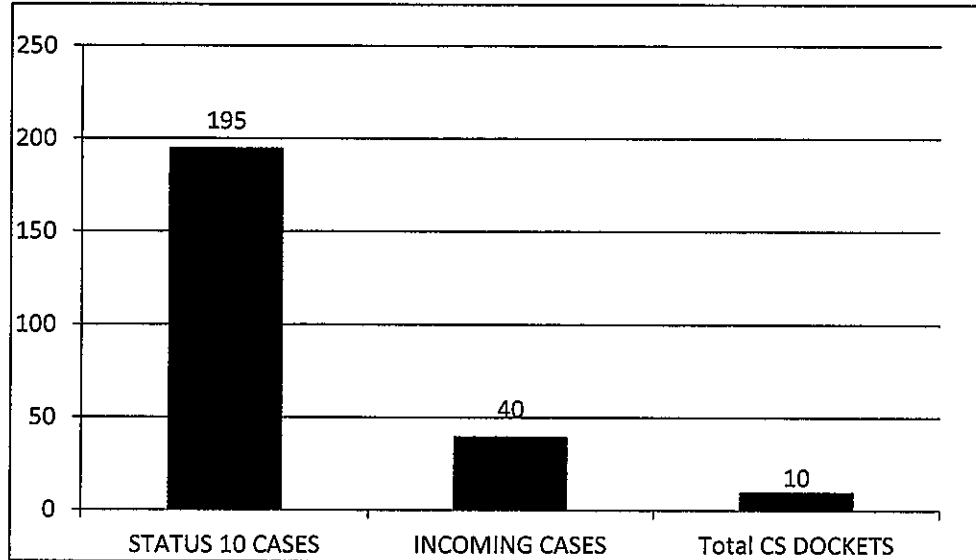
Total Client Contacts	2,705
Total Court Hearings	64
Total Active Efforts Case	1,579
Total Case Assessments for Service	8
Total Applications Distributed	71



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



OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT



Child Support:

The office of Child Support Services has continued to be busy for the month of June. The office distributed 71 requested applications and received 39 new application for new cases and 1 intergovernmental referral for services from another IVD agency. The program recently looked at the increase in numbers for application/ referrals received for the time period of Jan 1-May 31, 2018 and the increase has increased by 400% for the same time period in 2017. As a result, the program elected to open another customer service representative position to get them on board hopefully in next 90 days and get them trained to start assisting with processing new applications/referrals. In addition to the CSR position, the program has two vacancies open for child support specialists. Interviews have been conducted and hope to have those positions filled in next 30-60 days. Plan to open an additional one in the next month. Also, 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- Had 2 Case managers successfully continued to work with an NCP on getting arrears balance paid off on each of their respective cases. Also, during the month of June, some of the child support staff were able to attend the National Tribal Child Support Association conference in Minnesota. The Director and one of her supervisory staff, provided a training session at this event that detailed their parenting curriculum the office provides to all new establishment cases.



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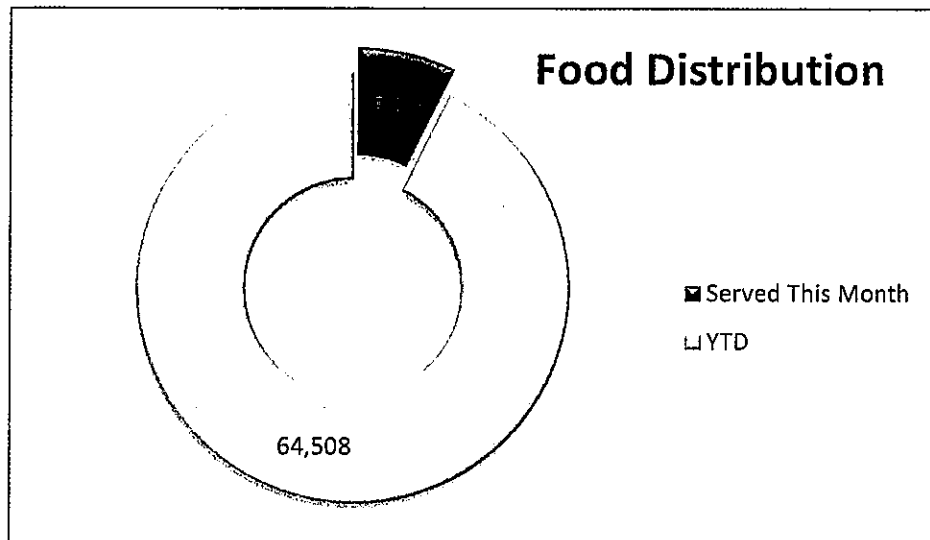
FAMILY ASSISTANCE DEPARTMENT

Interim Director - Jennifer Kirby

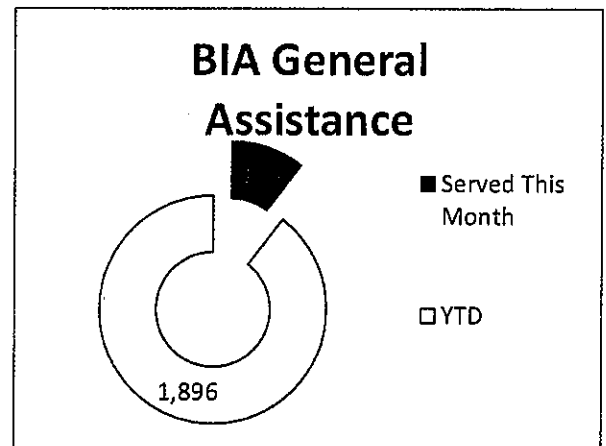
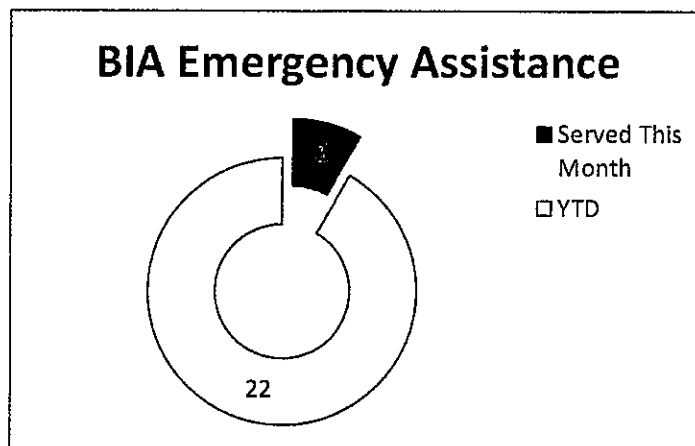
Number of Employees	110
Number of Vacancies	8
Number of Volunteers	30

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

Food Distribution :



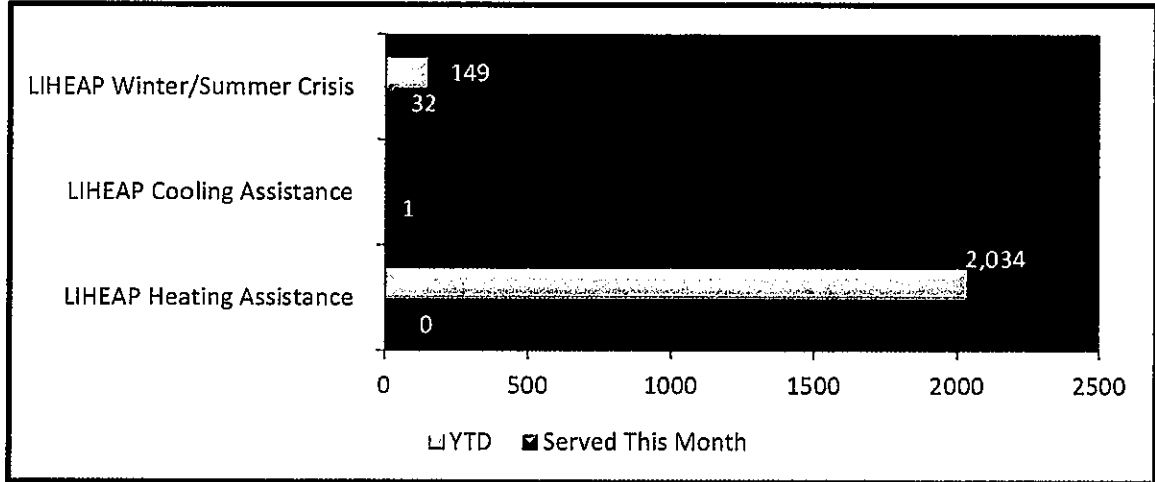
BIA Social Services :



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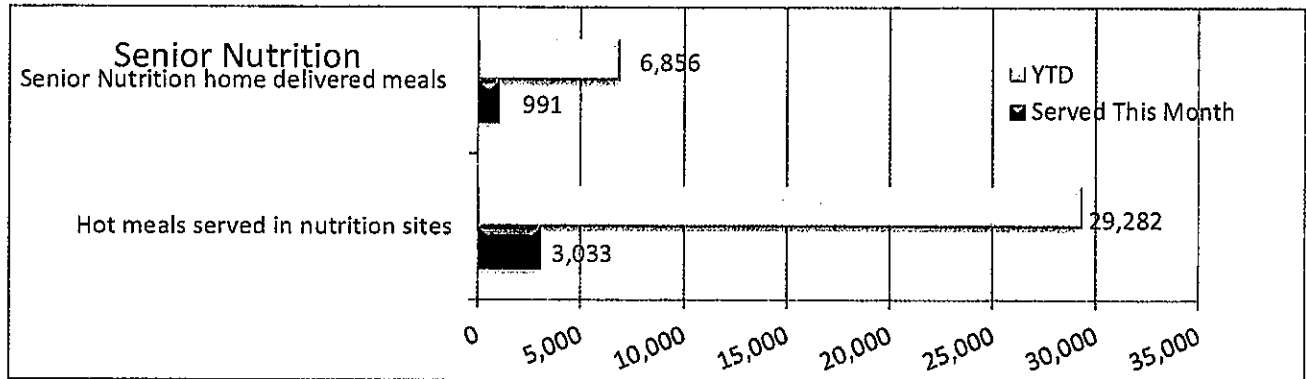
FAMILY ASSISTANCE DEPARTMENT

LIHEAP:

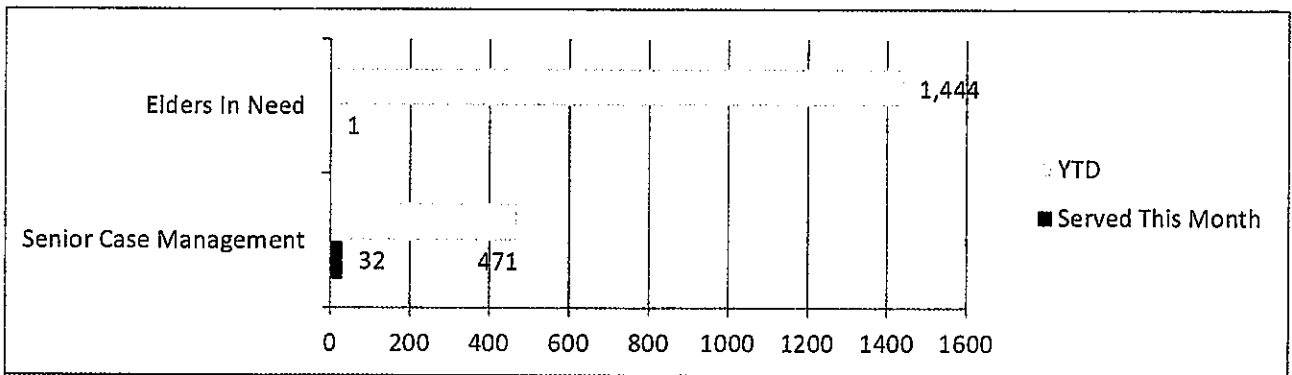


*(LIHEAP COOLING ASSISTANCE) Program starts in December and ends in February

Elder Services :



*Program starts in April

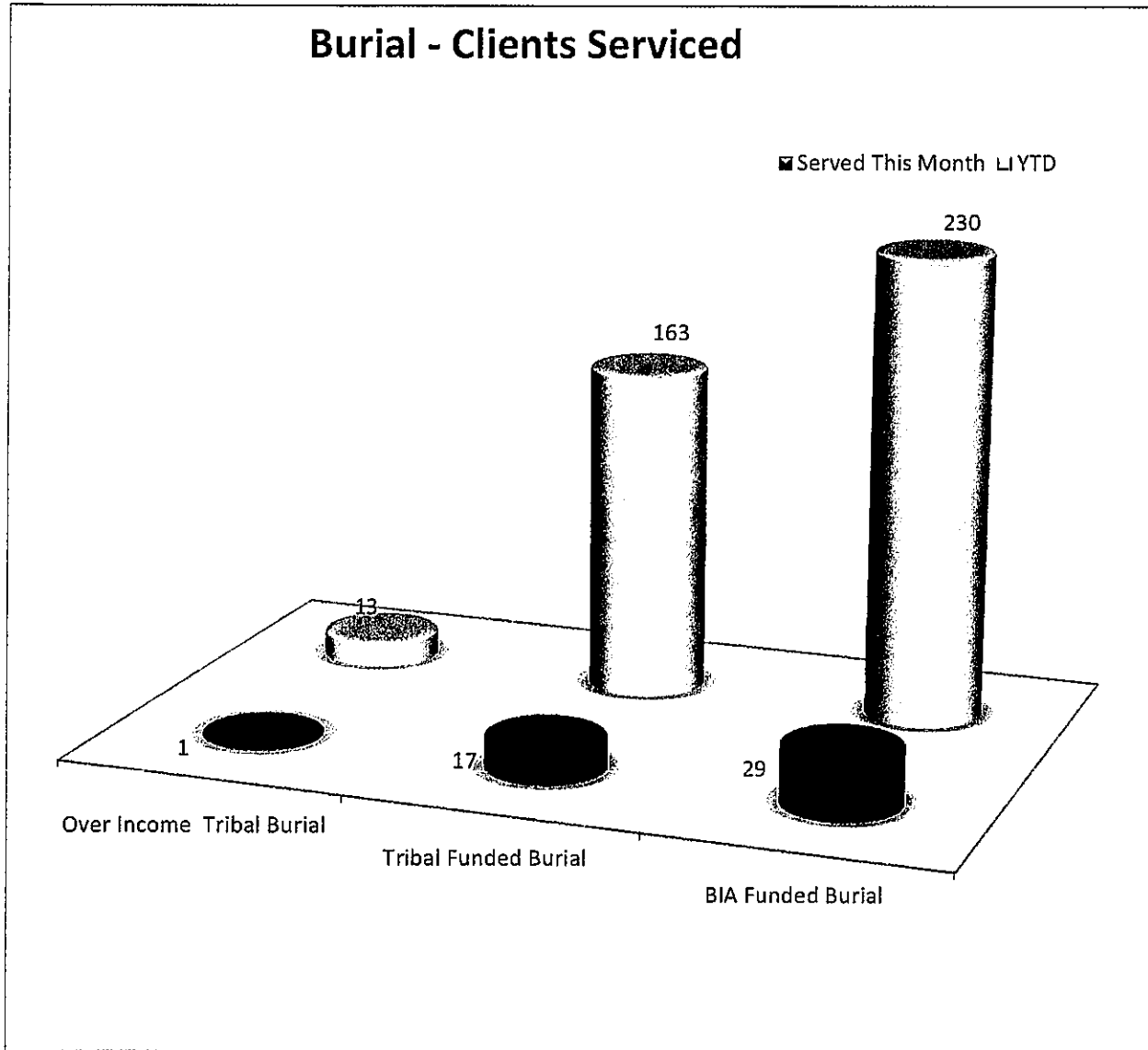


*Elders In Need Monies are dispersed in February and August.



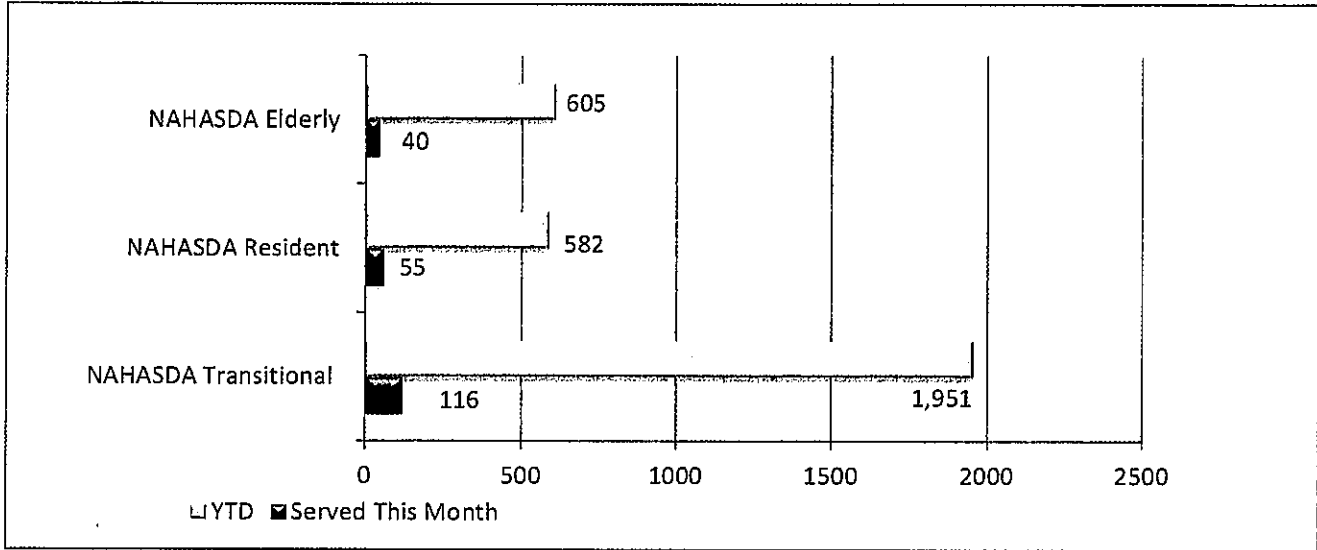
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Burial Assistance :

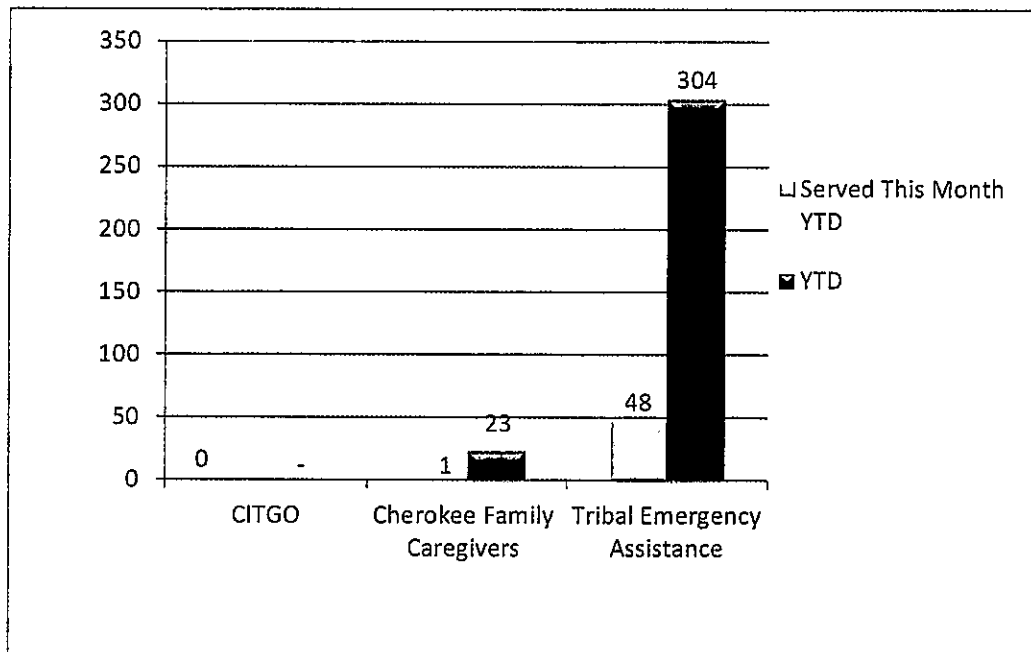


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NAHASDA :

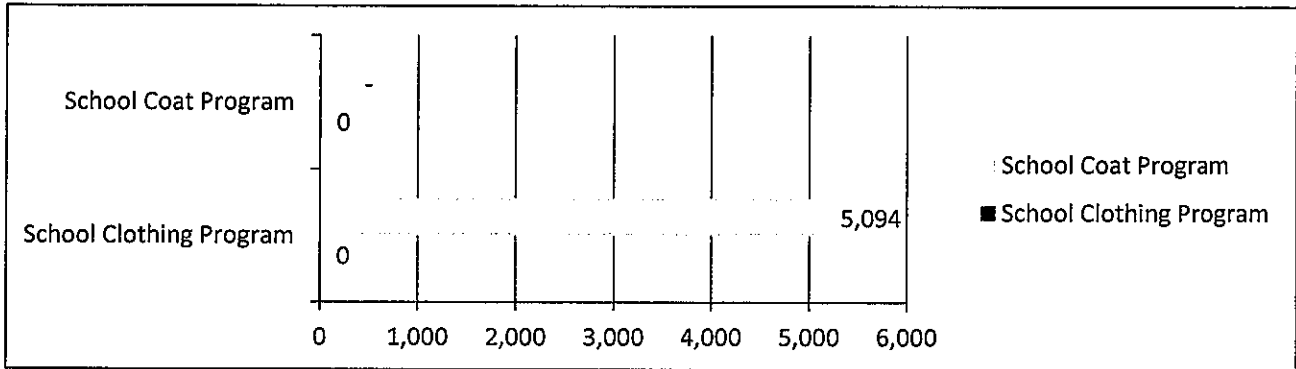


Family Assistance :



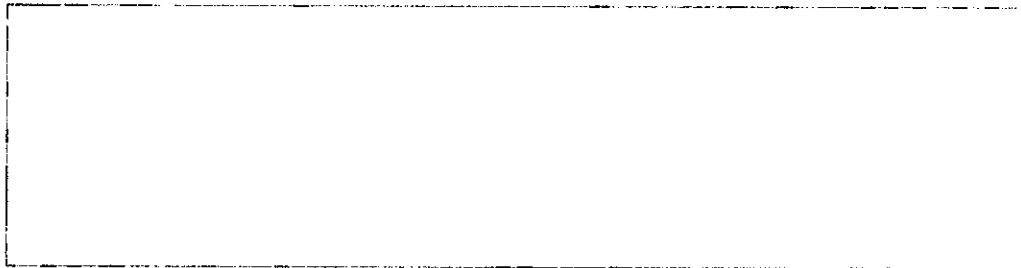
FAMILY ASSISTANCE DEPARTMENT

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

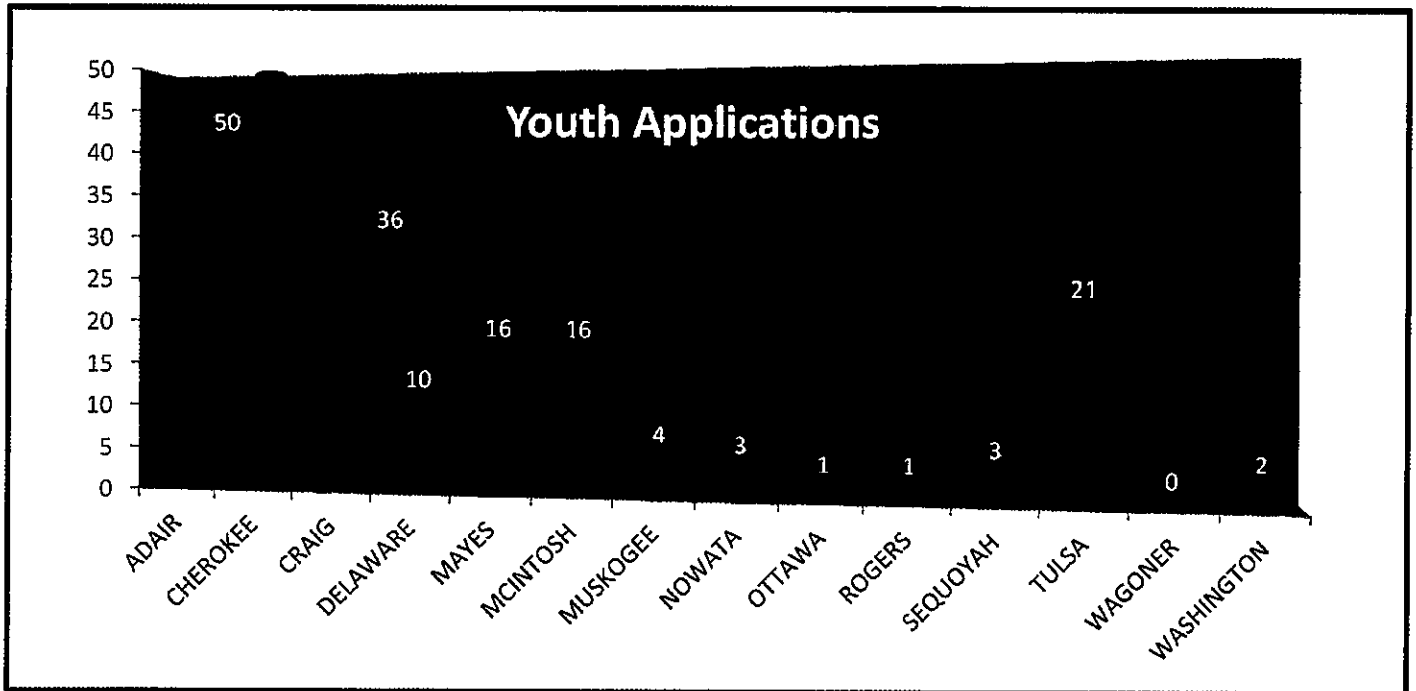
Number of Employees	3
Number of Vacancies	0
Number of Volunteers	0

Programs
Reception
Community Youth

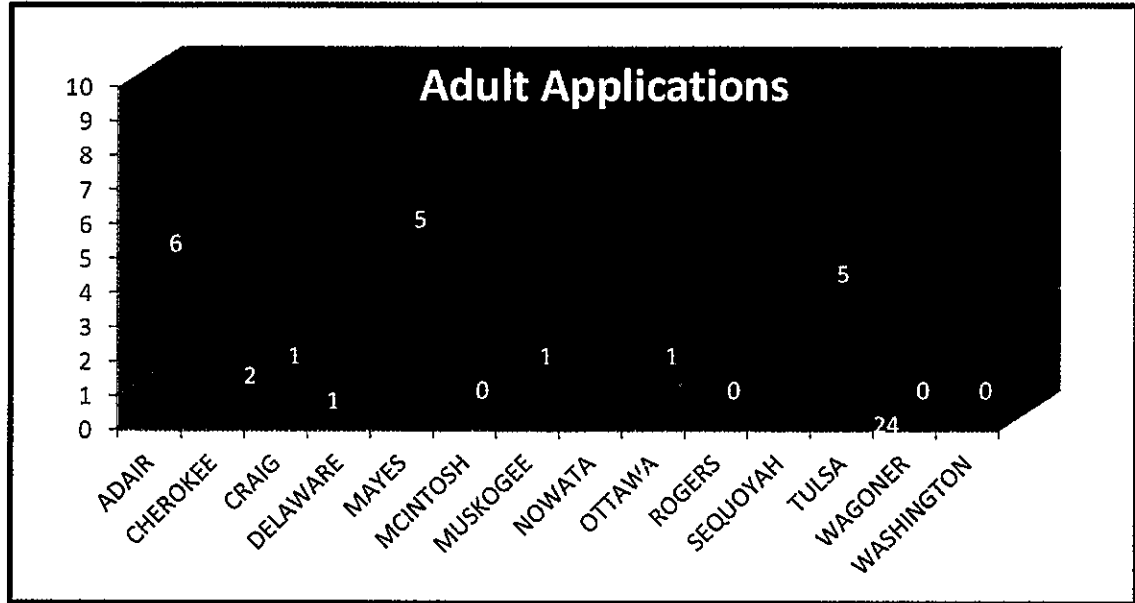
Reception :

Total Walk Ins/Phone Calls Taken	2,184
Total Applications Taken	186

Community Youth :



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Overview of Community Leadership Program Applications

Total Youth	164
Total Adult	22

Monthly Total Amount Distributed

June	\$ 39,000.00
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CHEROKEE NATION TRIBAL COUNCIL

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

Group: Community Services **Month/Year of Report:** July 2018

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

I. Budget Highlights

1. Construction project agreements forwarded to Self-Governance office for signatures.

II. Program Highlights

a.) Balanced Scorecard Measures

1. Trained 116 food handlers
2. Repaired 16 sewer and/or water facilities
3. Installed 17 sewer and/or water facilities

b.) Accomplishments

1. Construction on Fort Gibson WTP complete. Grand opening will be rescheduled, date TBA.
2. Construction on the 2 Mile Rd Waterline (Muskogee Co RWD # 7) approximately 70% complete.
3. Construction on the Delaware Co RWD # 11 Phase II waterline is approximately 50% complete.
4. Construction on the Southern Delaware Co Regional WTP is approximately 60% complete.
5. Attended the Rural Community Assistance Partnership board meeting in DC.
6. Staff attended the annual National Environmental Health Association meeting in Anaheim CA
7. Met with Nowata, Lenapah, Delaware, Ironside Water District, Inola, Cherokee Co RWD # 8 and Bluejacket about potential SDS projects.
8. Drafted MOA's for projects with Cherokee Co RWD # 3, Cherokee Co RWD # 7, Ottawa RWD # 6, & Delaware PWA,

c.) Future Plans

1. Meeting with other communities about possible SDS projects.
2. Attending EPA Water Operator conference in Indianapolis on August 8-10.
3. Attending EPA Drinking Water Workshop in Cincinnati on August 28-30.
4. Preparing MOA's to obligate funding from FY18 project awards (Sequoyah Co Water Association, Stilwell Utilities Authority, Ft. Gibson Public Utilities, & Locust Grove PWA.

OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

Director: Billy Hix

Phone: 453-5126

PERFORMANCE: JUNE 2018

DISTRICT # & COUNTY	FACILITY DATA SYSTEM			REFERRALS Ongoing	COMMUNITY OUTREACH	INDOOR AIR QUALITY Test/Investigations		TRAINING PROVIDED	
	Inspections	Investigations	Technical Assistance			Food Handlers	Environmental Training		
1, 2 & 3 Cherokee/Wagoner	4		4	2		2	34		
4 - Muskogee/McIntosh	2								
5 & 6 Sequoyah	1		5			1			
7 & 8 Adair									
9 & 10 Delaware/Ottawa	6								
11 - Craig									
12 - Nowata/Washington									
13 - Tulsa	1		2				82		
14 - Rogers	3								
15 - Mayes									
MONTHLY TOTAL	17	0	11	2	0	3	116	0	
YEAR TO DATE	423	0	11	2	0	3	1055	2	
ANNUAL GOAL	800			3	4	7	1525		
% COMPLETE	53%						69%		
BALANCED SCORECARD								Reduce # of critical violations	% of students passing food handler training
								6	1055
								52	971
								100	85%
									92%

HIGHLIGHTS:

Training - Web-based training - CN NEHA - Anaheim, CA

Meetings -

Misc. - NTWC and CDC Conference Call
NTWC and CDC VOC Sampling Project

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

This office helps to ensure that tribal facilities are operated in a safe and sanitary manner and provides Tribal members with services and information to lead environmentally healthy lifestyles through inspections and investigations related to food, vectors, water and waste water. This office further provides food service training for certification, environmental disease prevention training, injury prevention intervention, water sampling, and indoor air quality investigations.

June 2018 Monthly Report

Youth Activities:

We held 6 youth activities in June, due to a cancelation because a youth program coordinator resigned at one of our sites, 1 site staff went to the activity but no youth showed up and 2 schools did not have Boys & Girls club because school was out. Total attendance at June youth activities was 209 youth, 29 parents/community members & 6 CYD & ARS staff. Not all staff attended each site, 3 – 4 staff members went to each site.

Cherokee Heights had 2 youth activities in June on Tuesdays, the 5th & 19th; where they made leather turtle or bear wall hangings and were supposed to play Cherokee Marbles. There were 0 - 11 youth at each meeting. There were a total of 11 youth & 4 CYD & ARS staff in attendance. There were no youth at the meeting on the 19th, because they were supposed to play Cherokee Marbles and it was hot and they were all playing in pools or sprinklers.

Tailholt/ Caney had one youth activity scheduled on Monday, June 25th, the youth activity was canceled due to the resignation of their youth activity coordinator.

Chewey had 1 youth activity on Tuesday, June 12th, where they made leather turtle or bear wall hangings. There were 9 youth, 8 parents & Adult community members & 3 CYD & ARS staff in attendance.

Maryetta Boys & Girls Club had 1 youth activity scheduled on Thursday, June 21st, where they made clay pinch pots. There were 62 youth, 4 B&G Club Staff & 4 CYD & ARS staff in attendance.

Cave Springs/Zion Boys & Girls did not have a youth activity in June as school was out and they did not have Boys & Girls Club.

Briggs Boys & Girls club had 2 youth activities scheduled in June on Wednesdays, June 13th & 27th, where they made leather turtle or bear wall hangings and clay pinch pots. There were 51 - 60 youth at each meeting, for a total of 111 youth, 9 B&G Club staff members and 4 CYD & ARS staff in attendance.

Rocky Mountain Boys & Girls club did not have a youth activity in June as school was out and they did not have Boys & Girls Club.

We also partnered with Sam Hidler Clinic in Jay to have a youth activity at their Healthy Kids Camp on Wednesday, June 6th, where they made clay pinch pots. There were 16 youth, 4 clinic staff and 3 CYD & ARS staff in attendance.

Mailed & handed out 47 copies of flyers about July youth activities to residents, community organizations & participants in Cherokee Heights & Chewey.

Adult Resident Activities:

We held 9 adult resident activities in June. Total attendance at June Adult resident activities was 74 Adult residents & 6 CYD & ARS staff. Not all staff attended activities at each site, 3-4 staff went to each site.

Tom Buffington Heights in Vinita, had 1 Adult Resident Activity on Thursday, June 21st, where we passed out the cookbooks they illustrated and brought in recipes for and they made Welcome signs for their doors. There were 8 residents and 4 CYD & ARS staff in attendance.

Will Rogers Senior Housing in Claremore, had 1 Adult Resident Activity on Thursday, June 28th, where we passed out the cookbooks they illustrated and brought in recipes for and they made welcome signs for their doors. There were 10 residents and 4 CYD & ARS staff in attendance.

Wisdom Keepers in Tahlequah held 1 Adult Resident Activity on Thursday, June 14th, where we passed out the cookbooks they illustrated and brought recipes for and they made welcome signs for their doors. There were 10 adult residents and 3 CYD & ARS staff in attendance.

Jay Senior Housing held 1 Adult Resident Activity on Tuesday, June 12th, where we handed out the cookbooks they illustrated and brought recipes for and they made welcome signs for their doors. There were 11 adult residents and 4 CYDARS staff in attendance.

Stilwell Senior Housing held 1 Adult Resident Activity on Thursday, June 7th, where we handed out the cookbooks they illustrated and brought recipes for and they made welcome signs for their doors. There were 8 adult residents and 4 CYD & ARS staff in attendance.

Tahlequah Housing held 1 Adult Resident Activity for adult residents of Swimmer, Autumn Heights & Daniels additions at the Gregg Glass Building on Monday, June 11th, where we handed out the cookbooks they illustrated and brought recipes for and they made welcome signs for their doors. There were 3 adult residents and 4 CYD & ARS staff in attendance.

Lost City Community had 1 Adult Resident Activity on Tuesday, June 26th, where we handed out the cookbooks they illustrated and brought recipes for and they made welcome signs for their doors. There were 10 Adult residents & 4 CYD & ARS staff in attendance.

Sallisaw/ Tsalagi apartments had 1 Adult Resident Activity on Thursday, June 7th, where they we handed out the cookbooks they illustrated and brought recipes for and they made welcome signs for their doors. There were 6 Adult residents & 4 CYD & ARS staff in attendance.

Chewey Community had 1 Adult Resident Activity on Tuesday, June 12th, where they made leather turtle or bear wall hangings or welcome signs for their doors. There were 8 Adult residents & 3 CYD & ARS staff in attendance.

Mailed and handed out 236 copies of flyers about July 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, 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 3 youth activities scheduled for July 2018, due to school being out on 4 of our scheduled dates and they do not have Boys & Girls Club with no school and the resignation of the Youth Coordinator at the Tailholt Community.

We will have activities in:

Cherokee Heights on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, July 3rd & 17th, 4 pm. – 6 pm.;

Chewey on the 2nd Tuesday, July 10th, 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.;

Briggs Boys & Girls Club, will not have a youth activity in July as school will be out and they do not have B&G club when school is out;

Maryetta Boys & Girls Club, will not have a youth activity in July as they will not be having B&G club at Maryetta In July;

Rocky Mountain Boys & Girls Club, will not have a youth activity in July as they will not be having B&G club at Rocky Mountain in July;

Tailholt, will not have a youth activity in July due to their youth program coordinator resigning;

Cave Springs/Zion Boys & Girls Club, will not have a youth activity in July as school will be out and they do not have B&G Club when school is out.

We have 9 adult resident activities scheduled for July 2018.

We will have activities at:

Stilwell Senior Housing, on the 1st Thursday, July 5th, 10 am. – 11:30 am.;

Tsalagi Apartments, Sallisaw, on the 1st Thursday, July 5th, 2 pm.- 3:30 pm.;

Swimmer/Autumn Heights/Leon Daniels, Tahlequah at the Gregg Glass building, on the 2nd Monday, July 9th, 1:30 pm. – 3:30 pm.;

Jay Senior Housing, on the 2nd Tuesday, July 10th, 10 am. – 11:30 am.;

Chewey, on the 2nd Tuesday, July 10th, 5 pm. – 7 pm.;

Wisdom Keepers, Tahlequah, on the 2nd Thursday, July 12th, 1 pm. – 3 pm.;

Tom Buffington Heights, Vinita, on the 3rd Thursday, July 19th, 1 pm. – 3 pm.;

Lost City, on the 4th Tuesday, July 24th, 1:30 pm. – 3 pm.;

Will Rogers Senior Housing, Claremore, on the 4th Thursday, July 26th, 2 pm. – 4 pm.

Since we have fewer youth activities due to no Boys & Girls clubs in July, we will be working on all staff learning to work with PMC clay so we can teach the adult and youth to work with it in the future. We will also be working on making some paracord jigs so we can teach the adults and youth to make paracord bracelets in the future.

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.

CHEROKEE NATION TRIBAL COUNCIL
COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

Group: Housing Authority Month/Year of Report: August, 2018
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.

Alex Green, stepfather is Robert Fourkiller of CN ICW

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.

Ethan Allen, grandfather is Barry Allen of HACN

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.

Esther Cooper, daughter is Pam Forrest of CN ICW



Keys to a brighter future

Announcements

Board of Commissioners Meeting:

Aug 14 August Regular BOC Meeting at 5:30 PM

Office Closures:

Sept 3 Labor Day

Other Info:

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: June, 2018

Current Program Participants:

County	Rental Assistance				Homeownership			Loans		Totals	
	Community Shield Insurance	Low Rent Apartments	Rental Assistance (RAP)	Temporary Assistance (TAP)	College Housing Programs	Home-ownership Programs	New Construction Homes	Title VI Mortgage Program	Assumable/Other Mtg. Program	Total Housing Participants	% of Participants
Adair	335	146	77	2	0	105	66	20	3	754	14%
Cherokee	339	183	250	4	0	227	153	58	2	1,216	23%
Craig	22	49	28	0	0	8	25	2	0	134	3%
Delaware	170	114	72	0	0	78	103	19	5	561	11%
McIntosh	14	N/A	1	0	0	4	3	0	0	22	0%
Maries	162	118	49	0	0	54	45	11	1	440	8%
Muskogee	73	47	39	0	0	48	48	12	0	267	5%
Nowata	18	41	20	0	0	10	26	1	0	116	2%
Ottawa	8	N/A	1	0	0	6	7	4	1	27	1%
Rogers	93	65	139	2	0	74	35	43	3	454	9%
Sequoyah	399	N/A	138	0	0	144	126	56	4	867	17%
Tulsa	36	N/A	75	0	0	28	8	4	1	152	3%
Wagoner	11	N/A	3	0	0	55	4	1	1	75	1%
Washington	25	40	30	0	0	26	12	3	0	136	3%
Total:	1,705	803	922	8	0	867	661	234	21	5,221	100%
				930		1,528			255		

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	189	3	3	17	25	102	308	189	10%	836
Cherokee	197	1	0	45	26	296	178	495	27%	1,238	20%
Craig	47	0	0	3	1	25	16	56	3%	148	2%
Delaware	146	0	0	19	12	150	88	195	10%	610	10%
McIntosh	6	0	0	6	1	N/A	4	8	0%	25	0%
Maries	102	1	1	8	12	78	85	131	7%	418	7%
Muskogee	74	0	0	6	3	54	186	81	4%	404	7%
Nowata	31	0	0	6	2	39	8	60	3%	146	2%
Ottawa	15	0	0	2	0	N/A	6	25	1%	48	1%
Rogers	72	1	0	19	2	125	137	197	11%	553	9%
Sequoyah	232	2	2	4	11	N/A	445	168	9%	864	14%
Tulsa	66	0	1	24	6	N/A	150	173	9%	420	7%
Wagoner	21	0	0	8	1	N/A	7	35	2%	72	1%
Washington	35	0	0	16	2	117	54	47	3%	271	4%
Total:	1,233	8	7	183	104	986	1,672	1,860	100%	6,053	100%



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	0	2	0	4	6	35%	
Craig	0	0	0	1	1	6%	
Delaware	0	0	0	1	1	6%	
McIntosh	0	0	0	0	0	0%	
Mayes	0	0	0	1	1	6%	
Muskogee	0	0	0	1	1	6%	
Nowata	0	0	0	0	0	0%	
Ottawa	0	0	0	0	0	0%	
Rogers	1	0	0	4	5	29%	
Sequoyah	0	0	0	2	2	12%	
Tulsa	0	0	0	0	0	0%	
Wagoner	0	0	0	0	0	0%	
Washington	0	0	0	0	0	0%	
Total:	1	2	0	14	17	100%	



Keys to a brighter future

TRIBAL HUD-VASH HOUSING VOUCHER PROGRAM

**THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CHEROKEE
NATION AND THE 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:
June, 2018

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					
					Site Inspect	Problem Files	Survey Pending	Survey Rec'd	Process Closing								
Adair	148	0	0	5	1	0	2	2	0	0	12	9	66	0	22	9	66
Cherokee	437	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	12	12	31	153	0	15	31	153
Craig	49	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	1	4	25	0	3	4	25
Delaware	163	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	8	8	11	103	0	12	11	103
McIntosh	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	3	0	1	0	3
Mayes	103	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	13	45	0	6	13	45
Muskogee	66	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	9	48	1	6	9	48
Nowata	58	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	26	0	0	2	26
Ottawa	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	7
Rogers	190	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	3	35	0	2	3	35
Sequoyah	133	0	4	0	0	0	0	1	8	8	8	15	126	4	9	15	126
Tulsa	172	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	8	0	0	1	8
Wagoner	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	2	4	0	1	2	4
Washington	47	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	2	0	12
Total:	1,624	0	5	16	3	0	4	3	53	79	100	661	661	5	79	100	661

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

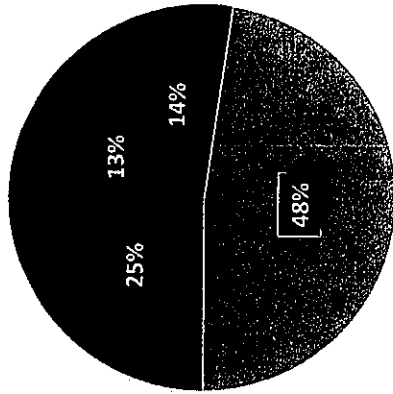
STAGE III:
Order/Receive Survey
Order/Receive Perc Test
Receive Utility Assurance
Receive Abstract from participant

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

Housing Rehabilitation Programs - Job Statistics

Month Ending:
June, 2018

Replacement Homes	6
Out for Bid/Pending	6
Contracts Awarded	21
Contracts Completed	11



- Replacement Homes
- Out for Bid/Pending
- Contracts Awarded
- Contracts Completed

Rehab



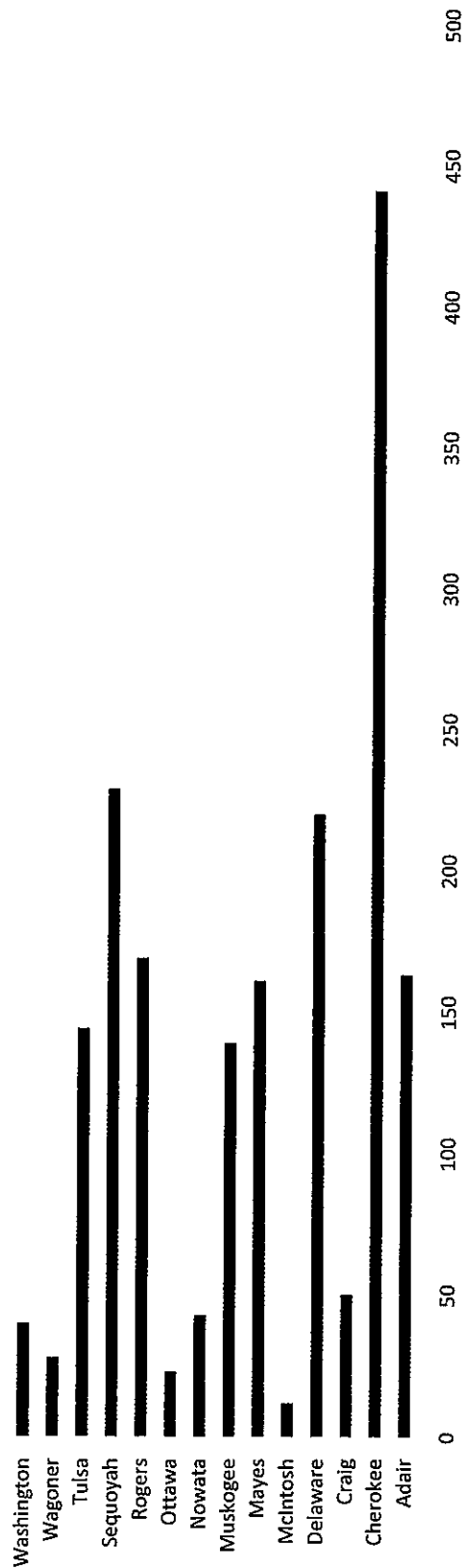
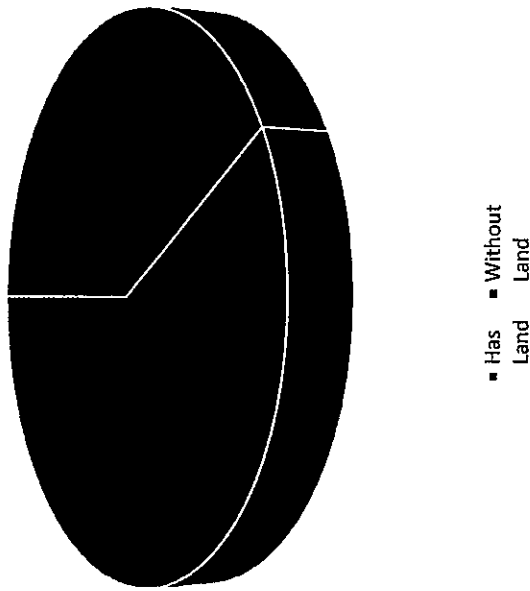
- Emergency
- Replacement
- Weatherization
- Lead Based Paint
- Rehab
- Storm Shelters
- BIA - HIP Program

Classification	Monthly Activity	Year to Date
Emergency	34	276
Rehab	1	45
Replacement	0	12
Storm Shelters	3	3
Weatherization	5	26
BIA - HIP Program	1	3
Lead Based Paint	3	10
All Rehab jobs	47	375

New Construction Homeownership Program
Application Data

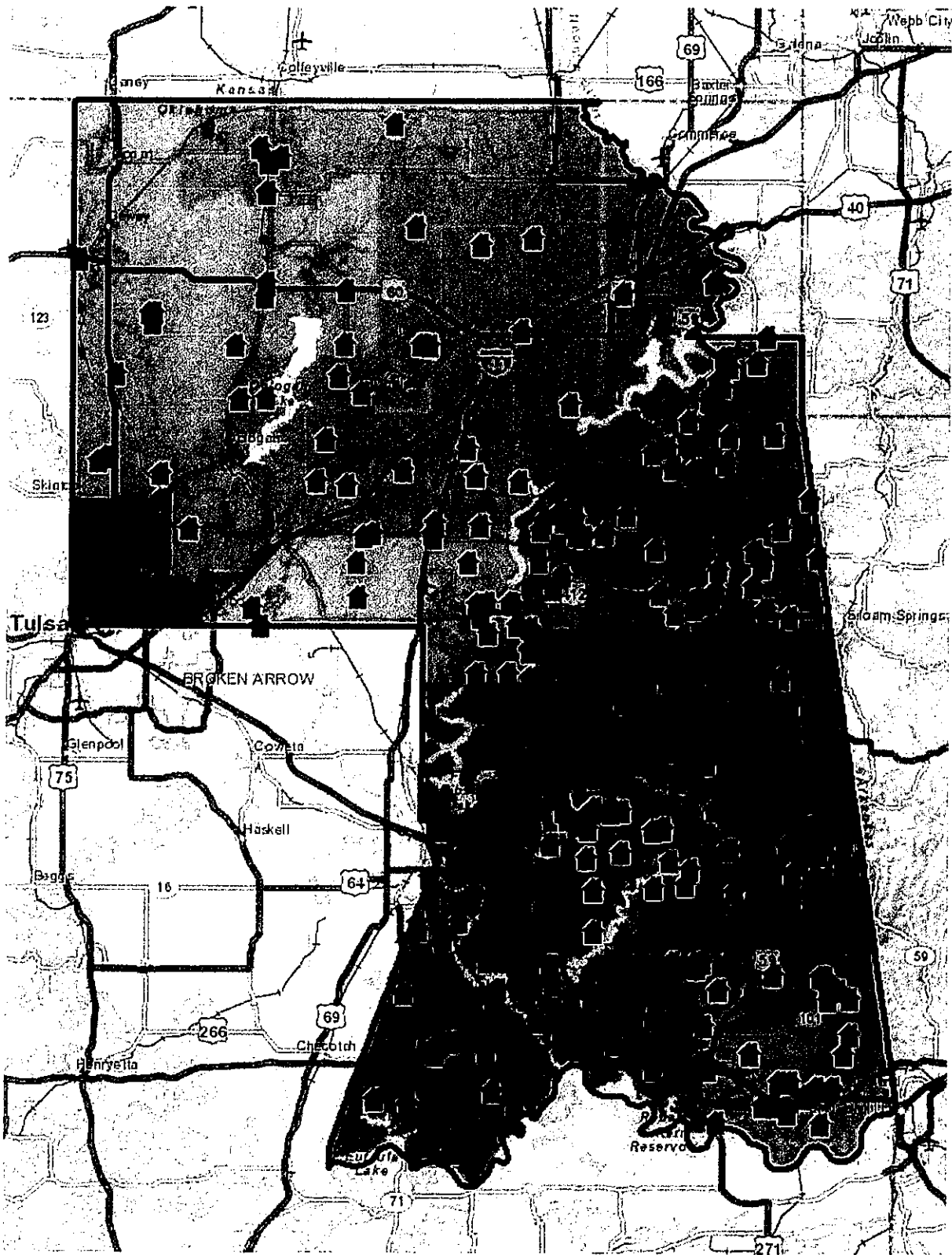
By Has Land/Does not have land:

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



Statistics as of: May 30, 2017

HACN New Construction Program



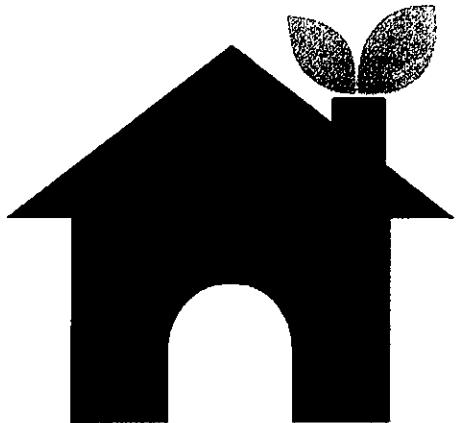
The above map is a representation of locations that the HACN has inspected sites for and/or built new homes on the New Home Construction Program.

Commerce Group

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

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anna-knight@cherokee.org

Mortgage Assistance Program

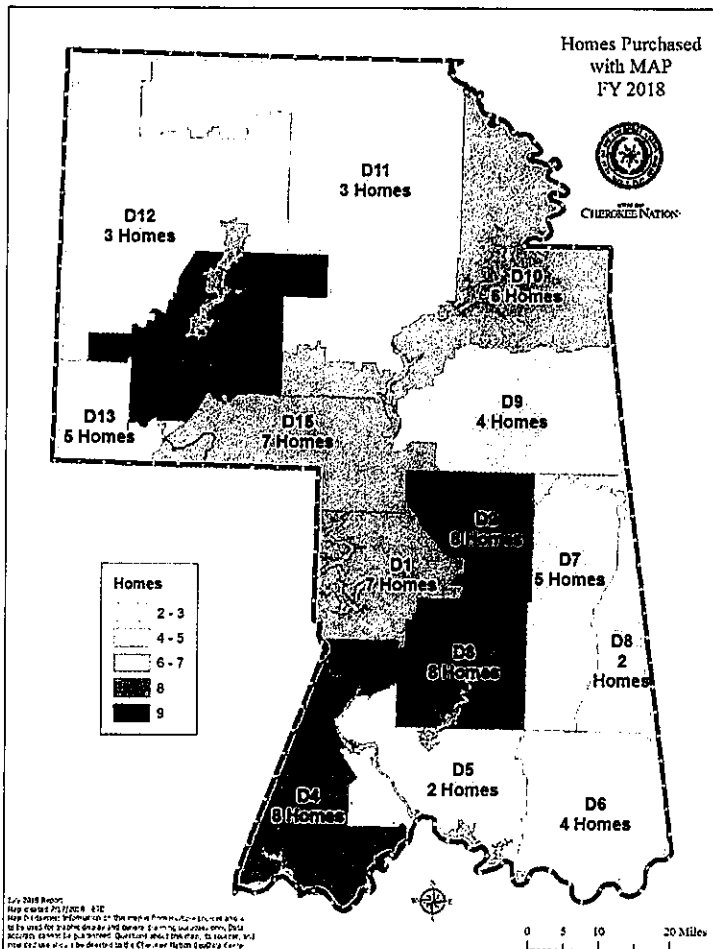


81 Families became Homeowners through financial counseling and down payment assistance.

37 families used the HUD 184 Loan Program.

MAP Household Averages

Household income	\$34,316.50
Home Price	\$95,027.86



Since FY2009, **1,693 households** have used the Mortgage Assistance Program to invest in their family's future and purchase a home.

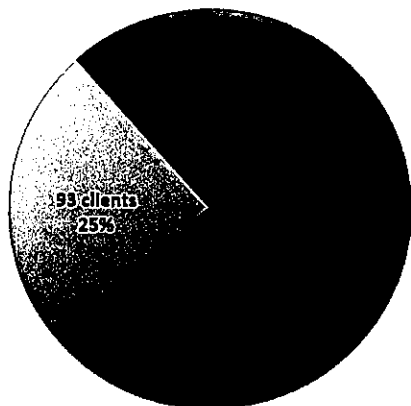
58% of families who purchased a home in FY18 moved up at least one level in the **Financial Prosperity Spectrum**.

I am more prepared to own my home now than I would have been a year and a half ago when I started the Mortgage Assistance Program. There is so much more to consider when buying a house that I would have never known without the counseling I received.

J. Gassaway, Mortgage Assistance Program recipient, Cherokee County

Financial Counseling

MAP Applications and Financial Counseling



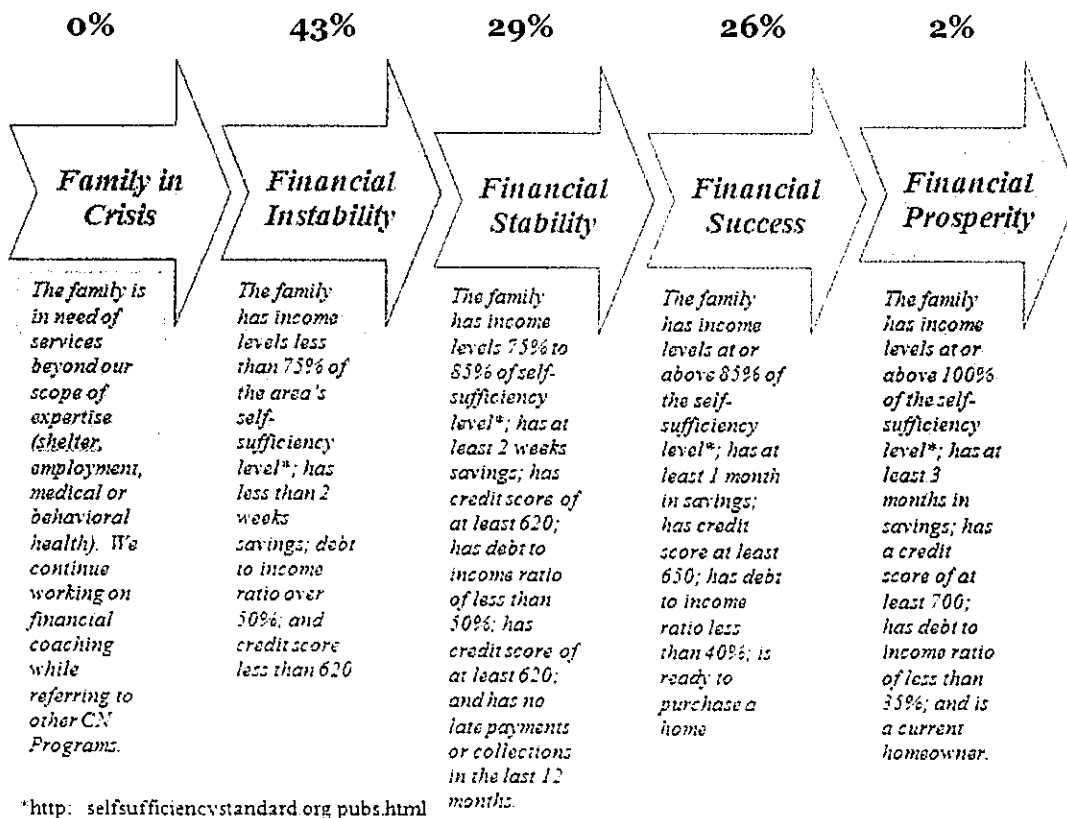
- Short Term less than 12 months
- Long Term from 1 to 3 years
- Mortgage Ready capable in 90 days
- Applications Pending Eligibility

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

Since FY07, **862 families unable to obtain a non-predatory mortgage on their own** have completed self-sufficiency counseling and obtained a non-predatory mortgage.

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

We use a **Financial Prosperity Spectrum** to measure financial coaching and asset building for MAP families.



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

378 families still actively pursuing goals

- 2% financial prosperity
- 26% financial success
- 29% financially stable
- 43% financially instable

Financial Counseling Impact

Increase to Credit Score	60 points
Debt to Income with Mortgage	29.6%
Debt to Income Reduction after Counseling	2.8%

1,597 consumer loans totaling \$1,859,265.78 have been made through the Small Business Assistance Center as of August 15th. One of these was a **Foreclosure Prevention loan totaling \$11,594.88**. Year to date, Self Sufficiency staff members have worked with **2 families facing foreclosure**. 1 family has stopped participating in the program and 1 family received a loan modification with the original mortgage holder to save their home.

289 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.

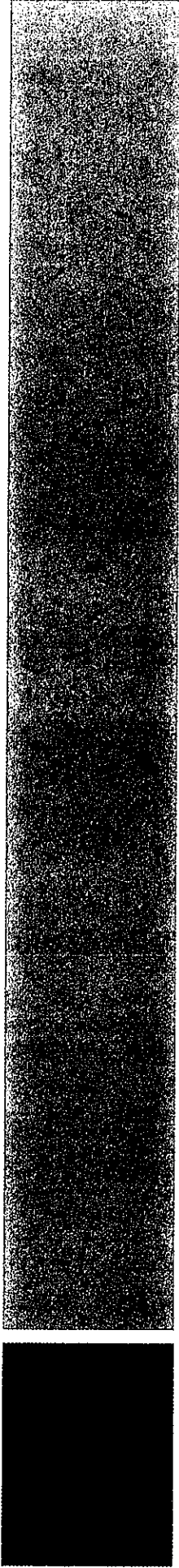
Families purchasing a home must attend an intensive **homeownership training** class. Year to date **156 families have attended these classes**, which are held throughout the Cherokee Nation.

Financial education classes are offered at no cost. Employees and the public have the opportunity to attend financial education classes on topics ranging from spending plans, balancing checkbooks and couponing. Year to date, **336 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
August 7	Tahlequah	11:00 am and 12:00 pm	Financial Empowerment
August 13-15	Tahlequah	5:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Homebuyers Training
August 11	Claremore	Saturday All Day	Homebuyers Training
August 15	Tahlequah	2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Financial Education Class
August 16	Sallisaw Red Bud Clinic	11:00 am and 12:00 pm	Financial Empowerment
August 28	Jay Sam Hider Clinic	11:00 am and 12:00 pm	Financial Empowerment
September 8	Sallisaw	Saturday All Day	Homebuyers Training
September 12	Tahlequah	2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Financial Education Class
September 15	Jay	Saturday All Day	Homebuyers Training
September 15	Tahlequah	Saturday All Day	Homebuyers Training
September 17-19	Claremore	5:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Homebuyers Training
September 19	Claremore	2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Financial Education Class



**CHEROKEE NATION
INDIAN CHILD WELFARE
MONTHLY REPORT
JUNE 2018**

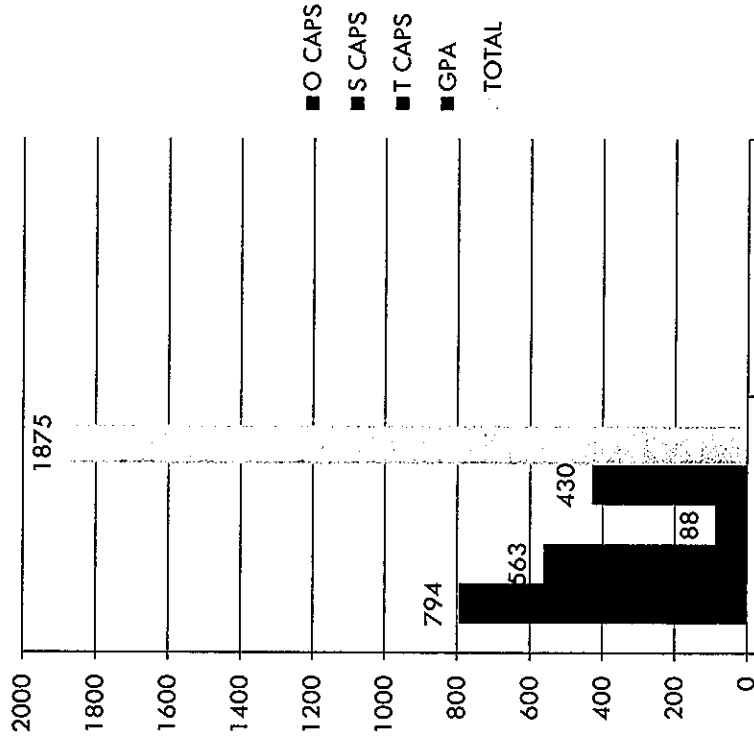
Nikki Baker-Limore, Executive Director

Protecting Children, Families and the Nation

Month of June:
1,875 Children
 with Assigned ICW Workers

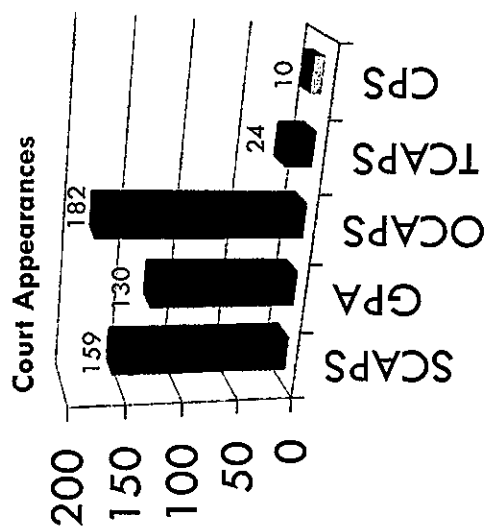
Programs with court intervention

- 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.



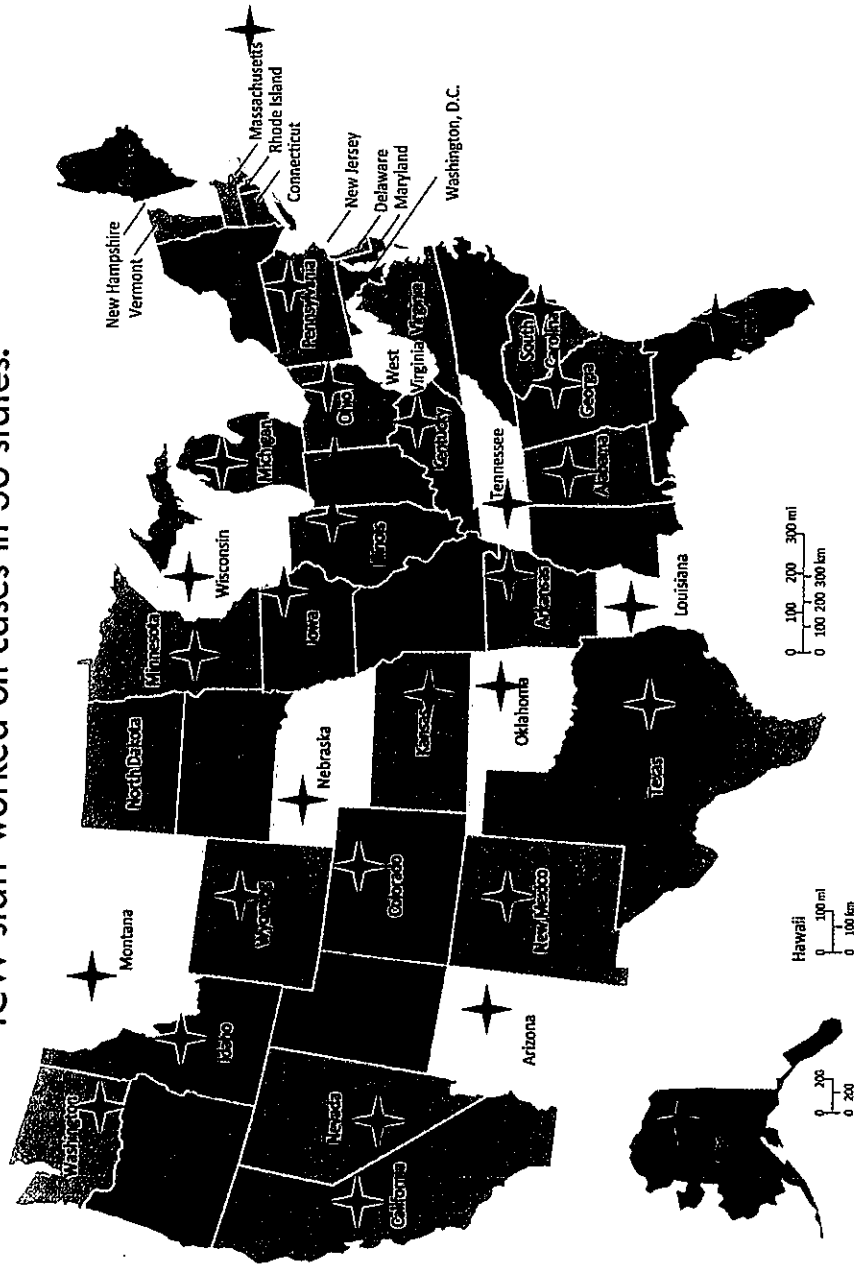
Exercise of Tribal Sovereignty

In June:
 Indian Child Welfare workers
 went to court 505 times on
 behalf of Cherokee children
 and families.



■ SCAPS ■ GPA ■ OCAPS ■ TCAPS □ CPS

ICW staff worked on cases in 36 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 June

Cherokee Nation received:

- ❑ State of Oklahoma – 423 notices involving 735 children
- ❑ Outside of Oklahoma – 698 notices for 1,142 children.
- ❑ Totaling – 1,121 notices and 1,877 children.
- ❑ The average Response-to-Notice time this month was 68 days.

Prevention and Intervention

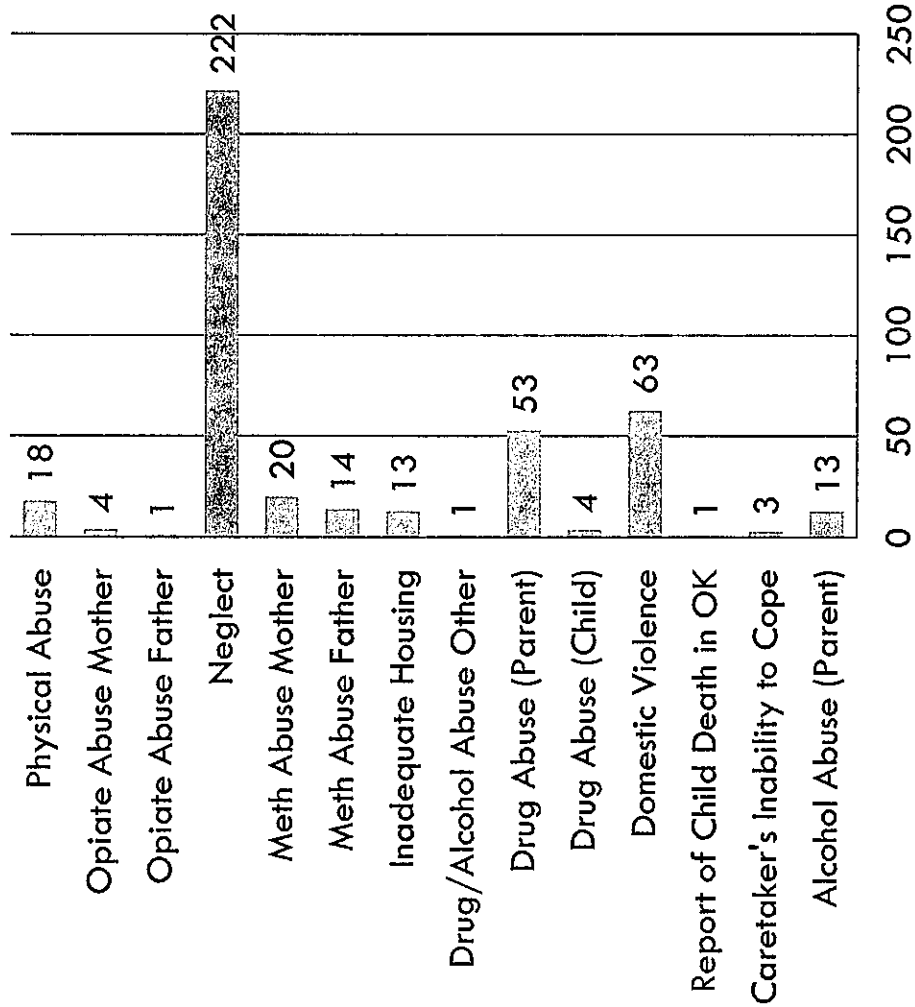
Indian Child Welfare Family Protection Services Unit (FPS) assists families in need of hands-on training to correct the conditions that lead to children being removed from their home. These services often include completing a 28 week parenting program that discusses topics like discipline, nutrition, 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 June

FPS served 22 children and 20 families.

Child Protective Services

Types of Abuse/Neglect Reported



Month of June

- Child Protective Services (CPS) received 235 referrals of child abuse/neglect.
- 235 referrals involved 385 children
 - 17 of the 235 were co-investigated by OKDHS and CPS
 - 17 of the 235 cases were investigated by CPS on Indian Country
- 7 Cherokee child(ren) were removed from Tribal land due to confirmed abuse/neglect.

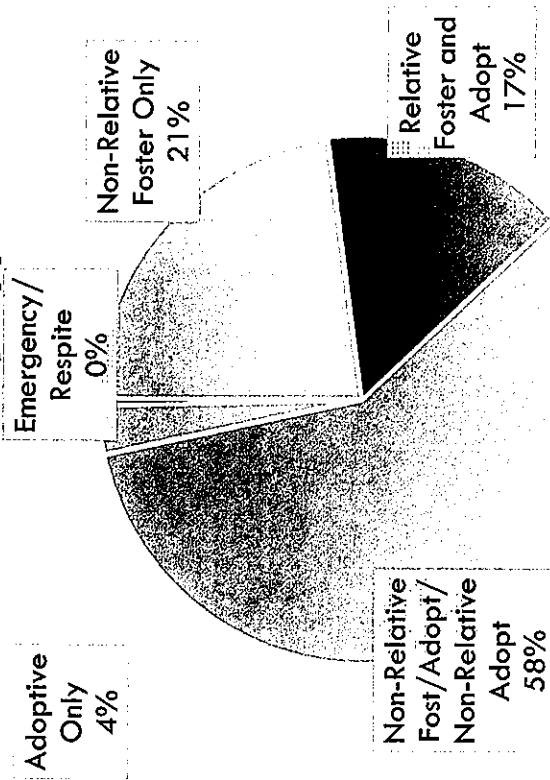
*Almost all referrals are for a primary reason as well as neglect

CERTIFICATION AND PLACEMENT

(Foster & Adoptive Homes)

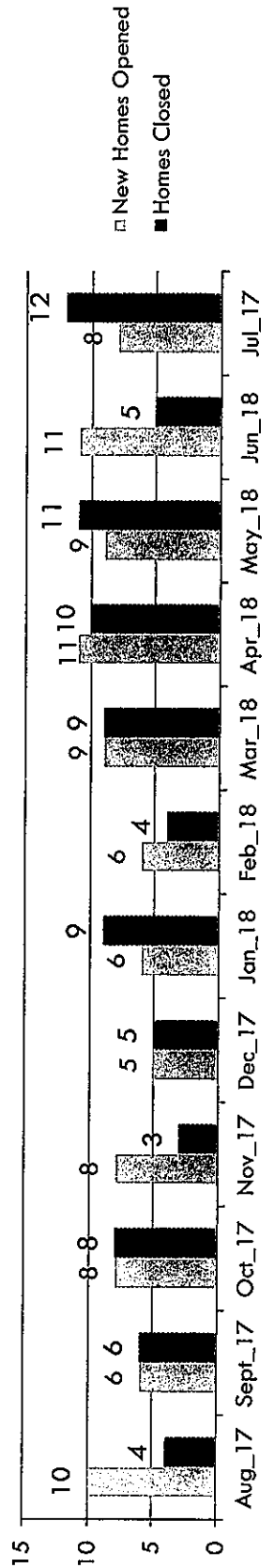
CERTIFICATION SERVICES FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE

Homes by Type



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 Foster/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.





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Community & Cultural Outreach

Community Report for July 2018

Rob Daugherty – Director

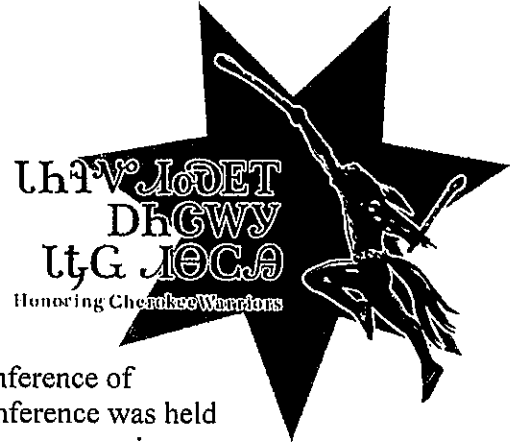
The following report covers the activities of the CCO; COTTA, Community Work and Volunteer Program staff for the month of July 2018.



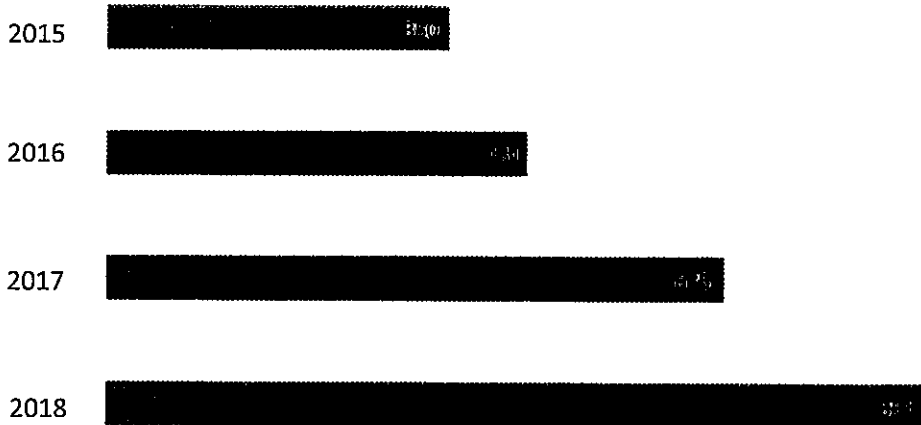
Technical Assistance Capacity Building

Capacity Building in July

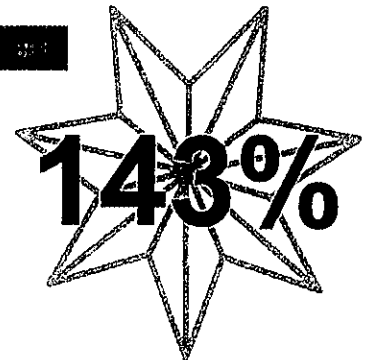
All of CCO staff, Capacity Building to Language program, were heavily involved with preparations for the 14th Annual Conference of Community Leaders held June 21st thru the 27th. This year's Conference was held at NSU and honored our Cherokee Warriors. By most metrics it was a rousing success as evidenced in the graph below.



CCO Conference of Community Leaders Attendance History



The graph displays the two day attendance of the CCO Leadership Conference beginning with the year 2015. The 2018 attendance represents an increase of 2.45 times that of 2015. The 2018 attendance was the largest crowd in the history of this event.



The growth in this year's Conference can be attributed to the upgrades that have been made in presenters. With the sponsorships we have received from CNB and through our USDA-RCDI grant. We have been able to bring in more national caliber keynote speakers and session presenters. We would like to acknowledge those at CNB that have made this possible for our community leaders.



Number of Organizations Attending the Conference of Community Leaders

Number of Leaders Attending the 2 days of the Conference of Community Leaders



Number of Training Sessions from which Attendees Chose to Attend



Number of Training Hours Attendees Received

Capacity Building in July

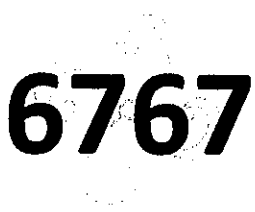
Number of Community Organizations Assisted in July



Received a total of hours of Capacity Building training



The total number of capacity building hours is calculated using the number of leaders from each organization, the number of hours of that training (both classroom and individualized) and any travel time those leaders may have incurred to attend. These are all combined in this number and can be compared to any other month or year.



Number of hours of capacity building training received by community leaders

Organization Receiving Technical Assistance in July

360 Grand Lake	Desert Cherokees	N M Cherokee Comm
Adair County Historical & Genealogical Asso	Eastern Band of the Cherokee Indians	N Cherokee Cnty Comm Boost Club
Boys & Girls Clubs of Adair County Schools	EBCI Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute *	NoWeTa Cherokee Comm Found
Brushy Community Association	Evening Shade Community	One Fire Asso Kenwood-Wickliffe
Caney Community Center	Evening Shade Comm Org	Orchard Road Community Outreach
Capitol City Cherokee Community	Fairfield Community Organization	POTLUCK
Central Oklahoma Cherokee Alliance	Family Support Center of Oaks	Proctor Community Organization
Central Texas Cherokee Township	Friends of Hulbert Library	Project A Association
Chain Breakers*	Georgia Cherokee Alliance	Pryor Area Resource Alliance*
Cherokee Citizens League of Southwest Texas	Grand Nation	Rocky Mtn Cherokee Comm Org
Cherokee Community of Central California	Greasy Community	San Diego Cherokee Community
Cherokee Community of North Texas	Greater Tulsa Cherokees	Sapulpa Public Schools*
Cherokee Community of Puget Sound	Greater Wichita Area Cherokee Comm	Spavinaw Youth Neighborhood Ctr
Cherokee Community of the Inland Empire	Hulbert Cherokee Comm Org	Stilwell Public Library Friends Soc
Cherokee Elders Council, Inc.	Illinois River Community Org	Tailholt Community Organization
Cherokee Heritage Center	Indian Women's Pocahontas Club	The McIntosh Home* (D1,2,3,7&8)
Cherokee Nation Election Commission	Jeremiah 29 Foundation	Tsa La Gi LA
Cherokee Nation Historical Society	Kansas City Cherokee Community	Tulsa Cherokee Comm Org
Cherokee Nation Tribal Youth Council	Lost City Community Organization	Valley of the Sun Cherokees
Cherokee Society of the Greater Bay Area	Marble City Food Pantry	Vian Peace Center
Cherokee Township of San Antonia	Mid County Community Organization	Washington Cnty Cherokee Asso
Cherokees for Black Indian History Preserv	Mt. Hood Cherokee Comm Org	Webbers Falls Historical Soc
Cherokees of Central Florida	Muldrow Cherokee Comm Org	White Oak Community Center
Cherokees of Northern Central Valley	Native American Asso of Ketchum	Willamette Tsa-La-Gi Community
Cherokees of Orange County	Native American Fellowship, Inc.	Wyandotte Nation
Cherokees of the Greater Central Valley	Neighborhood Association Of Chewy	Zoo Safari USA
Colorado Cherokee Circle	Neighbors Building Neighbors	

* indicates an organization new to the program



Cultural Outreach & At-Large Communities

July 12th Cultural staff hosted an In District Cultural Presentation at Chelsey in Council District 14 of Councilman Keith Austin. Richard Fields presented a program on Traditional Bow Making.

**Community members attending the
July Cultural Presentations**

150



History Preservation

For July our Lunch and Learn was held on July 19th. Lawrence Panther, Cherokee Language Translator and Curriculum Developer, gave a presentation on Sequoyah's Original Syllabary Order. He contrasted this with what we now think of as the standard syllabary chart. Mr Lawrence discussed how the Syllabary has evolved since it was first invented in the 1820's.



Volunteer Program

In June the staff hosted 3 volunteer groups. Volunteers came from Emmanuel Church of Saint Louis, MO, the University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia and Saint Stephen United Methodist Church of Saint Louis, MO. We would also like to thank Roy Poteet's Building Trades for bring 4 volunteers to help re-roof the shelter at Redbird Smith Cultural Grounds. Other projects completed include building flower beds at the Head Start Center, installing toilets and framing and insulating walls at a women's shelter.

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Number of June Volunteers

Number of hours volunteered

788

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Number of projects completed

Up Coming Events:

August 9 – Technology training: Blog Basics

August 11 – Saturday Leadership Series

August 16 – Lunch & Learn