CHEROKEE NATION TRIBAL COUNCIL COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

	Housing	Month/Year	
Group:	Authority	of Report:	October, 2018
Executive Directo	or: Gary J. Cooper		
Deputy Directo	or: 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.

Becky Grimmett Bearpaw, cousin is Carolyn Bilby of HACN
Deanna Dry, niece is Evelyn Pettigrew of HACN
Haylee Caviness, uncle is Roy Caviness of HACN
Daggie Walker, granddaughter is Charleisa Smith of HACN
Leona Walker, niece is Charleisa Smith of HACN
Jacob Sevier, uncle is David Sevier of HACN
Jacob Sevier, grandmother is Dora Watie of HACN
Shantana Reasor, aunt is Tammy Phillips of HACN

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.

Eddie Williams, aunt is Linda Luper 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.

Mary Arneecher, daughter is Luanna Hastings of HACN



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Announcements

Board of Commissioners Meeting:

Oct 30 October Regular BOC Meeting at 5:30 PM

Office Closures:

Nov 12 Veteran's Day Nov 22-23 Thanksgiving Holiday

Other Info:

Oct Southern Plains Indian Housing Association (SPIHA)

16-17 Winter Quarterly Housing Meeting, Tulsa, OK

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

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

Current Program Participants:

		_	Rental Assistance		Homeownership Loai			ns	Tot	Totals	
	Community Shield	Low Rent	Rental Assistance	Temporary Assistance	College Housing	Home- ownership	New Construction Homes	Title VI Mortgage	Assumable/ Other Mtg.	Total Housing	% of
County	Insurance	Apartments	(RAP)	(TAP)	Programs	Programs	Completed	Program	Program	Participants	Participant
Adair	309	142	80	0	0	105	72	20	5	733	14%
Cherokee	298	176	271	4	· 5	219	159	58	5	1,195	23%
Craig	26	49	28	0	3	10	25	2	0	143	3%
Delaware	205	118	71	1	10	69	106	19	1	600	12%
McIntosh	15	N/A	1	0	0	4	3	0	0	23	0%
Mayes	149	115	48	1	11	55	50	11	2	442	8%
Muskogee	87	50	39	0	0	48	48	12	1	285	5%
Nowata	21	42	18	0	0	10	27	1	0	119	2%
Ottawa	11	N/A	1	0	1	6	7	4	Ó	30	1%
Rogers	87	66	139	4	2	74	34	43	4	453	9%
Sequoyah	342	N/A	139	2	15	145	134	56	7	840	16%
Tulsa	33	N/A	72	3	2	28	8	4	0	150	3%
Wagoner	6	N/A	2	0	0	55	3	1	1	68	1%
Washington	19	38	32	. 0	2	26	12	3	0	132	3%
Total:	1,608	796	941	15	51	854	688	234	26	5,213	100%
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Current Applications:

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		Rehab	Rehab	NAHASDA	Community	Rental					
	Rehab	Replacement	Replacement	Home-	Shield	Properties /	Rentai	New Home	%	Total	% of
County	Programs	Homes	Mobile	ownership	Insurance	Apartments	Assistance	Construction	NHCP	Apps	Total
Adair	209	2	1	14	25	208	140	192	11%	791	15%
Cherokee	163	1	0	30	29	215	169	523	29%	1,130	21%
Craig	43	0	0	1 1	1	27	19	52	3%	143	3%
Delaware	149	1	0	9	13	89	69	206	11%	536	10%
McIntosh	7	0	0	0	0	N/A	1	9	0%	17	0%
Mayes	101	1	0	7	12	59	60	141	8%	381	7%
Muskogee	76	. 0	0	5	3	30	77	85	5%	276	5%
Nowata	33	0	0	6	2	36	9	42	2%	128	2%
Ottawa	13	0	0	1	0	N/A	31	32	2%	77	1%
Rogers	77	0	0	19	2	154	176	160	9%	588	11%
Sequoyah	244	0	2	4	11	N/A	149	171	9%	581	11%
Tulsa	74	1	0	24	6	N/A	158	138	8%	401	8%
Wagoner	17	0	0	4	1	N/A	5	37	2%	64	1%
Washington	40	0	0	8	2	66	50	40	2%	206	4%
Total:	1,246	6	3	132	107	884	1,113	1,828	100%	5,319	100%

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







Keys to a brighter future

Tribal HUD - VASH

VA Supportive Housing Program

		Applications	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Assistance	To	tals
County	Referrals Received / Applications Processing	Vounchers Issued	Waiting List	Housed Veteran	Total	% of Participants
Adair	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Cherokee	0	2	0	4	6	30%
Craig	0	0	0	1	1	5%
Delaware	1	0	0	1	2	10%
McIntosh	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Mayes	0	0	0	1	1	5%
Muskogee	0	0	0	3	3	15%
Nowata	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Ottawa	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Rogers	0	1	0	4	5	25%
Sequoyah	0	0	0	1	1	5%
Tulsa	0	1	0	0	1	5%
Wagoner	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Washington	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Total:	1	4	0	15	20	100%





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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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Muskogee, Oklahoma 74401
Phone: (918) 616-8794 | Fax: (918) 577-3329
Lisa Look@va.qov

New Construction Homeownership Program Development Files Processing

Month of: August, 2018

		Processing							<u> </u>	ļ					
		Applic	cations	Stg I	St	g li	Stg	111	Stg IV	Cons	struction	ing	ent	튭	5
County	Waiting List	App Problem	App Processing	Prelim Review	Site Inspect	Problem Files	Survey Pending	Survey Rec'd	Process Closing	Under/ Ready Const	Construction Complete	In Processing	Land Development	Under Construction	Construction Complete
Adair	152	. 0	0	5	1	0	2	2	11	9	72	0	21	9	72
Cherokee	465	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	12	31	159	0	15	31	159
Craig	45	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	4	25	0	3	4	25
Delaware	173	0	2	3	1	0	0	0	7	11	106	2	11	11	105
McIntosh	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	1	٥	3
Mayes	113	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	13	50	0	6	13	50
Muskogee	70	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	5	9	48	1	6	9	48
Nowata	41	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	27	٥	٥	1	27
Ottawa	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	. 0	0	0	7	٥	0	٥	7
Rogers	153	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	34	٥	2	3	34
Sequoyah	142	0	4	0	0	0	0	1	7	11	134	4	8	11	134
Tuisa	137	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	8	٥	٥	1	8
Wagoner	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	3	0	1	2	3
Washington	40	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	2	0	12
Total:	1,599	0	7	16	3	0	4	3	50	95	688	7	76	95	688
			7			7	6				783				

STAGE I

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

STAGE III

Order/Receive Survey Order/Receive Perc Test Receive Utility Assurance Receive Abstract from participant

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

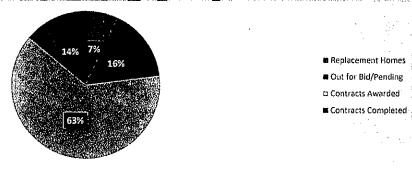
STAGE IV:

Survey Review / Identify Barriers / Process for Closing

Housing Rehabilitation Programs - Job Statistics

Month Ending: August, 2018

Replacement Homes		7			
Out for Bid/Pending	16				
Contracts Awarded		63			
Contracts Completed	14				



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Monthly Activity Classification Year to Date Emergency 366 Rehab 56 Replacement 1 12 Storm Shelters 0 6 Weatherization 3 33 BIA - HIP Program 1 3 Lead Based Paint 1 13

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All Rehab jobs

Rehab

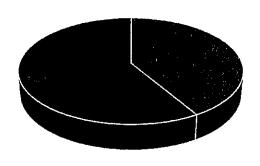


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- Rehab
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- Storm Shelters
- Weatherization
- BIA HIP Program
- Lead Based Paint

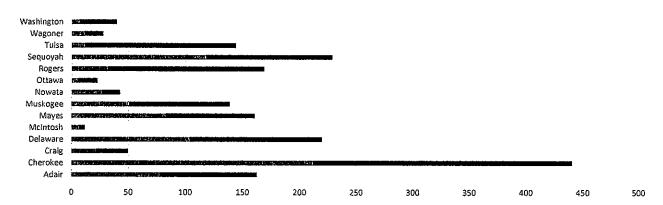
New Construction Homeownership Program Application Data

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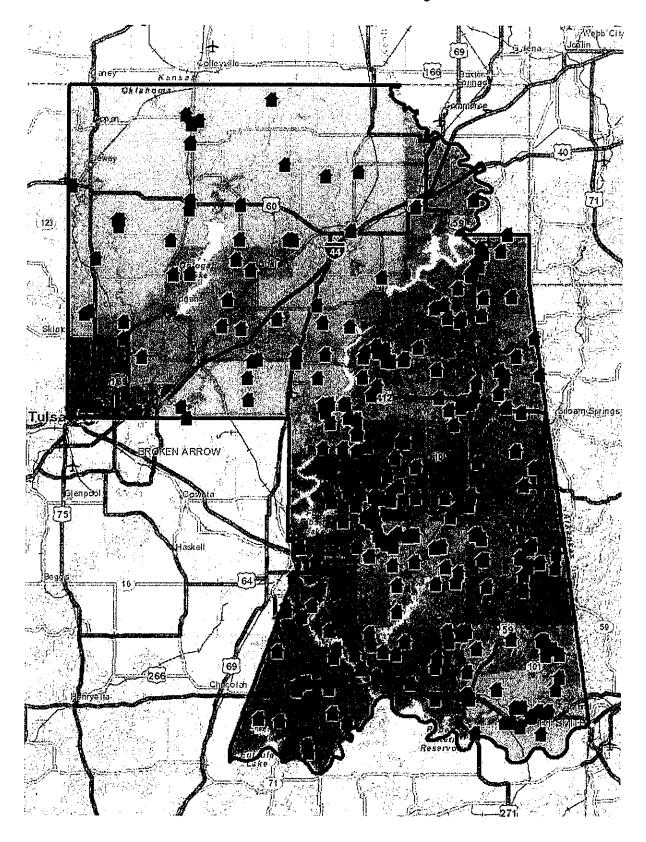
is Land/Does not have land:						
l i	Has	Without	% With	% W/O	Total	
County	Land	Land	Land	Land	Apps	
Adair	78	85	48%	52%	163	
Cherokee	212	229	48%	52%	441	
Craig	22	28	44%	56%	50	
Delaware	104	116	47%	53%	220	
McIntosh	7	5	58%	42%	12	
Mayes	83	78	52%	48%	161	
Muskogee	51	88	37%	63%	139	
Nowata	27	16	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



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

Anna Knight, Executive Director 918-453-5532 anna-knight@cherokee.org

Mortgage Assistance Program



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

48 families used the HUD 184 Loan Program.

MAP Household Averages

Household income

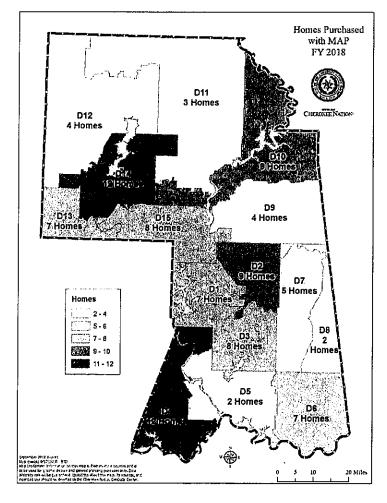
\$34,610.41

Home Price

\$97,335.93

Since FY2009, 1,711 households have used the Mortgage Assistance Program to invest in their family's future and purchase a home.

59.6% of families who purchased a home in FY18 moved up at least one level in the **Financial Prosperity Spectrum**.

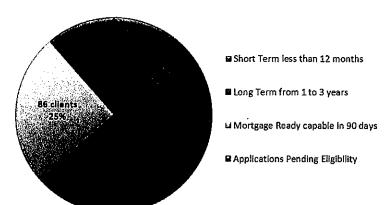


I gained a great deal of financial knowledge while I was in the Mortgage Assistance Program. My credit score increased over 100 points and I probably would not have been as successful without this program.

J. Gassaway, Mortgage Assistance Program recipient, Cherokee County

Financial Counseling

MAP Applications and Financial Counseling

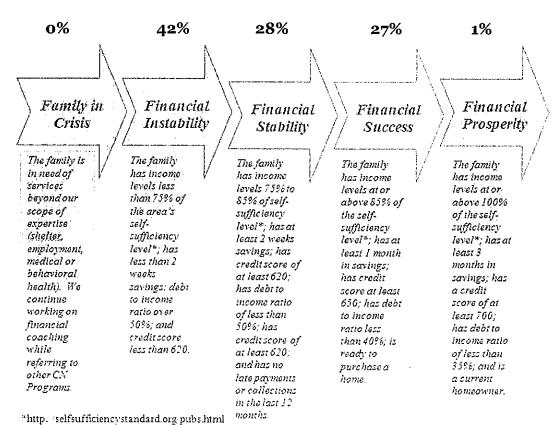


341 families are in the home buyers' pipeline, either having completed or active in financial counseling.

Since FY07, 872 families unable to obtain a non-predatory mortgage on their own have completed self-sufficiency counseling and obtained a non-predatory mortgage.

62 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.



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

368 far	nilies still actively pursuing goals	Financial Counseling Impact				
1%	financial prosperity	3				
27%	financial success	Increase to Credit Score	58 points			
28%	financially stable	Debt to Income with Mortgage	29.6%			
42%	financially instable	Bost to Monto with Mortgage	29.070			
	•	Debt to Income Reduction after Counseling	3.5%			

1,984 consumer loans totaling \$2,234,752.88 have been made through the Small Business Assistance Center as of September 15th. Two of these were Foreclosure Prevention loans totaling \$22,327.83. Year to date, Self Sufficiency staff members have worked with 10 families facing foreclosure. 3 families have stopped participating in the program, 2 families received prevention loans, and 2 families received a loan modification with the original mortgage holder to save their home. 3 families are currently in foreclosure prevention counseling.

268 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 **192 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, 419 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.

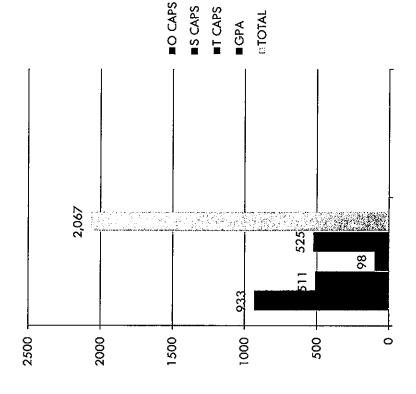
Workshops and Classes								
Date	Location	Time	Workshop					
October 6	Claremore	Saturday All Day	Homebuyers Training					
October 10-11	Tahlequah	5:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Homebuyers Training					
October 10	Tahlequah	2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Financial Education Class					
November 6-7	Sallisaw	5:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Homebuyers Training					
November 8	Sallisaw	11:00 am – 1:00 pm	Financial Education Class					
November 9	Tahlequah	11:00 am – 1:00 pm	Financial Education Class					
November 14-15	Tahlequah	5:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Homebuyers Training					
November 26	Claremore	10:00 am – 5:00 pm	Homebuyers Training					
December 3-4	Tahlequah	5:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Homebuyers Training					
December 6	Tahlequah	11:00 am – 1:00 pm	Financial Education Class					
December 10	Claremore	10:00 am – 5:00 pm	Homebuyers Training					

CHEROKEE NATION INDIAN CHILD WELFARE MONTHLY REPORT AUGUST 2018

Nikki Baker-Limore, Executive Director

Protecting Children, Families and the Nation

Month of August: 2,067 Children



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

- Involved in child welfare cases in non-jurisdiction counties in Oklahoma and all 50
- Most work is done telephonically or electronically.

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Emphasis on education about the Indian Child Welfare Act and ensuring States comply with it.

SCAPS: State Court Advocacy and Permanency Services

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- 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.

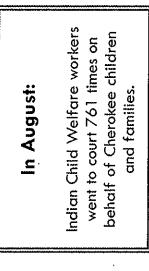
GPA: Guardianships and Private Adoptions

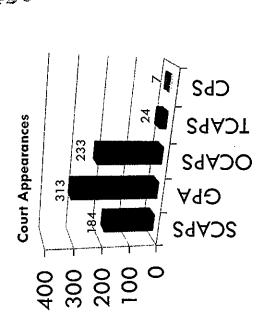
- a Involved in civil adoption cases to include voluntary adoption, involuntary
- Monitors Guardianships and Private Adoptions for compliance with the Indian Child Welfare Act and the best interests of children.
- Serves Cherokee children and their families in Tribal Courts and State Courts throughout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

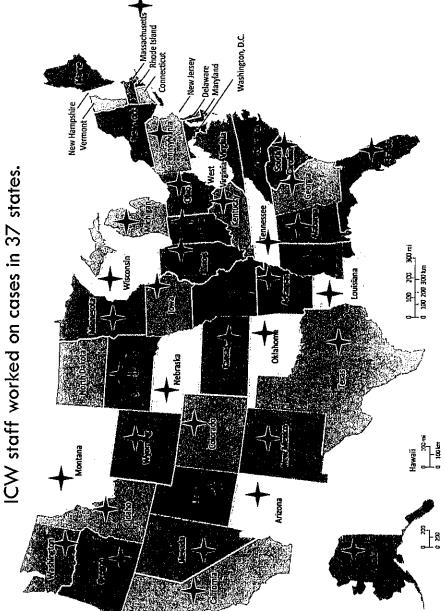
CPS: Child Protective Services

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

Exercise of Tribal Sovereignty







■SCAPS ■GPA ■OCAPS ■TCAPS □CPS

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 August

Cherokee Nation received:

- State of Oklahoma 647 notices involving 1,129 children
- a Outside of Oklahoma 969 notices for 1,545 children.
- □ Totaling 1,616 notices and 2,674 children.
- The average Response-to-Notice time this month was 22 days.

Prevention and Intervention

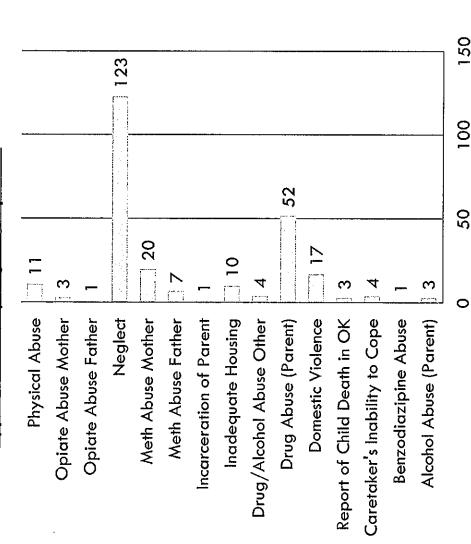
Indian Child Welfare Family Protection Services
Unit (FPS) assists families in need of hands-on
training to correct the conditions that lead to
children being removed from their home. These
services often include completing a 28 week
parenting program that discusses topics like
discipline, nutrition,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

FPS served 18 children and 16 families.

Child Protective Services

Types of Abuse/Neglect Reported



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

Month of August

Child Protective Services (CPS) received 337 referrals of child abuse/neglect.

337 referrals involved 548 children

- 3 of the 337 were co-investigated by OKDHS and CPS
- 9 of the 337 cases were investigated by CPS on Indian Country
- 3 Cherokee child(ren) were removed from Tribal land due to confirmed abuse/neglect.

CERTIFICATION AND PLACEMENT

(Foster & Adoptive Homes)

CERTIFICATION SERVICES FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST

Types of Certified Placement Resource Homes

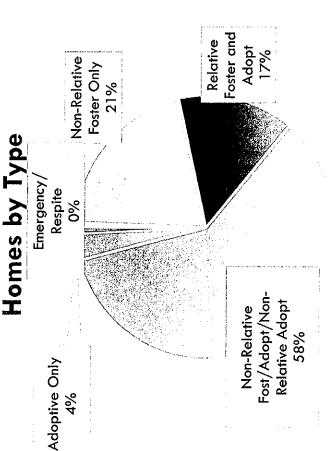
children when the children's parents' rights are Non-Relative Adoptive: Families who hope to adopt terminated. These homes do not take foster placements.

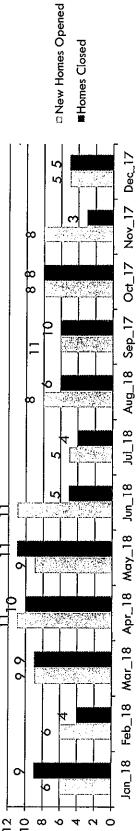
are not terminated and they could return home, but if placement of children knowing their parental rights they don't the placement family will have the first Non-Relative Fost/Adopt: Families who take foster chance to adopt them.

children they do not know on a temporary basis, but may last years. These families usually do not adopt Non-Relative Foster: Families who are willing to take in children.

children and are fostering them or planning to adopt Relative Adoptive/Foster: Families who are related to the them. They do not take in children they are not related to.

Emergency/Respite: Families that take very short-term placements are sought or when only a short-term placement of children while more permanent placement is needed.







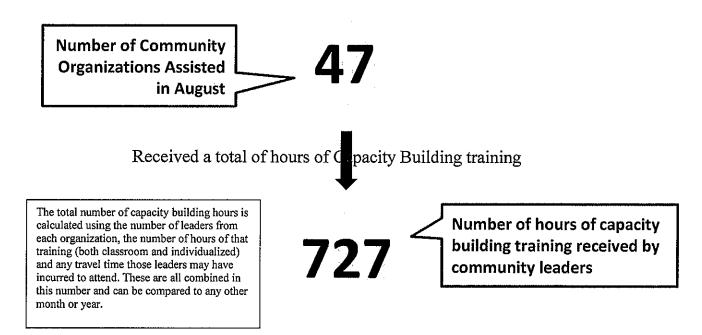
Community Report for September 2018 Rob Daugherty – Director

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

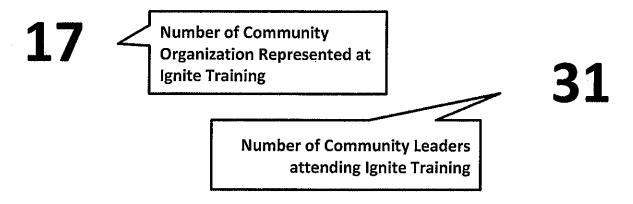


Technical Assistance Capacity Building

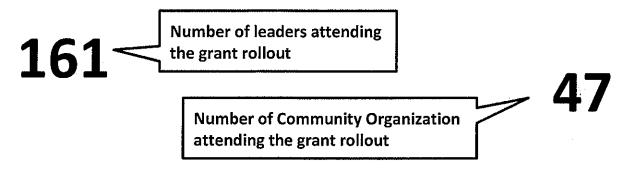
Capacity Building in September



The Saturday Training Series was held on September 22nd. Lindi Conover-Thompson founder of EP Collaboration will present Part 2 of her Ignite Your Nonprofit Series. Parts 3 will be presented in October.



September also saw COTTA staff roll out our 2019 Capacity Building Grant to our community organizations. Staff members walked our community leaders through the grant process for not only the COTTA Capacity Building Grant but the New Organization Grant, designed to help new groups organize, and the Community Work Grant, to help organization with community infrastructure.



Organization Receiving Technical Assistance in September

4 Hope (D9)	Native American Assoc of Ketchum (D10&11)
Adair Co Hist & Gen Assoc (D7&8)	Native American Diabetics*
Boys & Girls club of Adair County (D7&8)	Native American Fellowship (D11)
Brushy Cherokee Community (D6)	Native Health Matters
Cherokee Citizens league of Texas Houston (AL)	Neighborhood Association of Chewey (D7&8)
Cherokee Elders Council (D9&15)	NORA (D1)
Cherokee Heritage Center (D1)	Northern Cherokee County Community Booster Club (D2)
Cherokees for Black Indian History Preservation (D1)	Noweta Cherokee Community Foundation (D12)
Encore Performing Society (D1)	Okay Sr Citizens (D1)
Equip Tutoring Center* (D11)	Potluck Society (D14&15)
Evening Shade Community Organization (D5)	Proctor Community Center (D7)
Fairfield Community Organization (D7&8)	Project A (D4)
Family Support Center of Oaks (D2&9)	Rocky Mountaint Organization (D7)
Friends of the Hulbert Library (D1)	Spavinaw Youth and Neighborhood Center (D9&10)
Grand Nation (D11)	Stilwell Public Library Friends (D7&8)
Greasy Comm Fellowship (D7)	Tahlequah Mission Park* (D1)
Hulbert Cherokee Comm Org (D1)	Talbot Library* (D9)
Illinois River Area Com Org (D2)	Vian Peace Center (D5)
Indian Women's Pocahontas Club (D14&15)	Victory Cherokee (D13,14&15)
Jeremiah 29 (D7&8)	Washington Counity Cherokee (D12)
Marble City Activity Org (D5&6)	Westville Community Betterment League (D8&9)
Marble City Food Pantry (D5&6)	White Oak Comm Center (D11)
The McIntosh Home Foundation (D1,2,3,7&8)	Zoo Safari USA (D1,2,9&15)
Mid County Community Organization (D7&8)	

^{*} indicates an organization new to the program_(D7) indicates the Council Districts served by the organization



Cultural Outreach & At-Large Communities

We kicked off September with our Sister Community Reception. This was held in conjunction with the Cherokee Holiday September 1st. The staff from CCO as well as CLAMP hosted our guests. Local Community organizations included the Neighborhood Association of Chewey, Native American Fellowship and the Cherokee Heritage Center.

Number of people attending Sister Community Reception 18



History Preservation

We hosted our September Lunch & Learn on Thursday the 20th. This month was Part II of our Cherokee Language Master/Apprentice program. This month, CLMAP expanded the methods and learning styles that are used in their language immersion program.

Number of people attending the September Lunch & Learn





Volunteer Program

Although we did not have volunteer groups in the area in September, Volunteer Program staff working with building trades built a handicap ramp for an elder in Sallisaw, Ok. We also built a handicap ramp for an elder in Cherry Tree.

Up Coming Events:

October 10th - Cultural Presentation

October 12th - Tech Thursday Webinar

October 16th - Volunteer group from Julius, MO

October 26th - In-District Cultural Presentation, Lost City

October 30th - Leadership Training, When Leaders Are at Their Best