

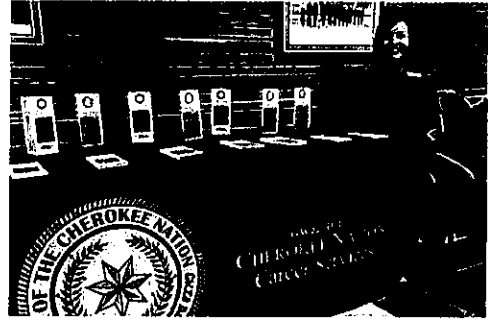
**Education Committee
Career Services
October Monthly Report
Diane Kelley, Executive Director**

The **Career Skills Education Classes** had 53 individuals complete training.

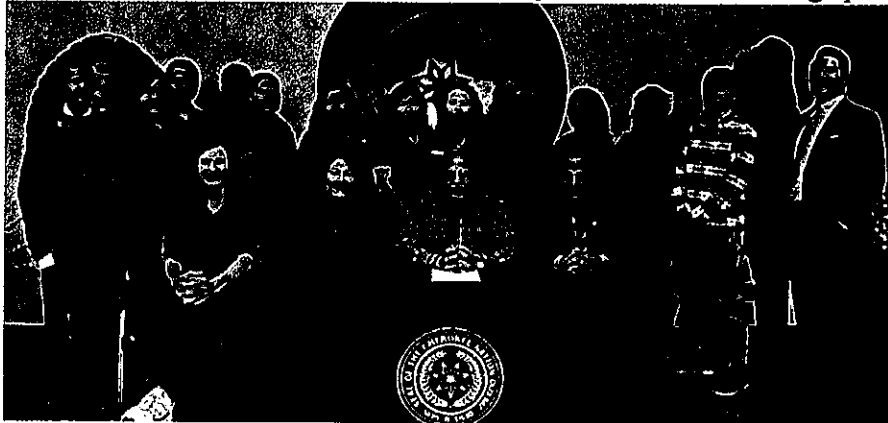
Vocational Rehabilitation staff attended the Cherokee Nation Elder Summit.

The **Disability Employment Initiative** Program conducted ADA Checklist at Tulsa, Vinita, Stilwell, Sallisaw, Jay and Pryor. Recommendations for changes will be sent to Executive Director for consideration.

Marsha White, DEI Program Manager, presented on Tribal Resources for the Oklahoma Department of Mental Health Prevention and Recovery conference.

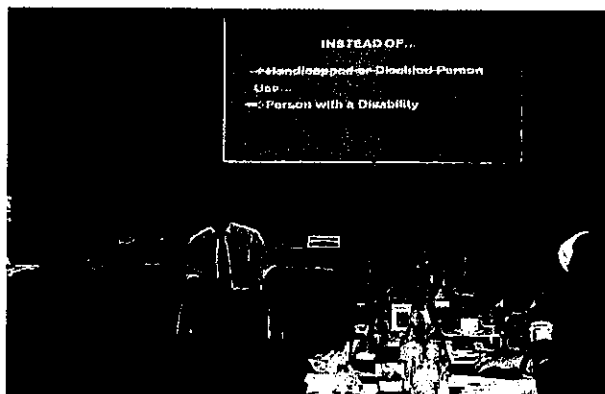


The **Disability Employment Initiative** acknowledged October as Disability Employment Awareness Month: DEI Staff held a ½ day conference featuring speaker Danny Robinson – OK



DRS Visual Services and Josh Drywater – CN Career Services DEI Resource Navigator. Eight DEI clients attended. A proclamation was signed by Deputy Chief Joe Crittenden and Secretary of State Chuck Hoskins, Jr.

The DEI Program provided training for Career Services staff:



Coming Home Reentry Participant Success Story:



Tammy Geer is a 46 year old Cherokee Nation Tribal Citizen who resides in Grove, Delaware County, OK. Tammy was recently released through a GPS ankle monitor supervision program from Oklahoma Department of Corrections. One of the main stipulations of the release was that she immediately finds employment.

Tammy entered the Cherokee Nation Career Services, Coming Home Reintegration program after being referred by her probation and parole officer. Tammy was uncertain of the type of assistance that Cherokee Nation could offer. While Tammy had housing and transportation, she was in immediate need of clothing

so that she could job search and interview. Tammy was approved for a \$250 clothing voucher to help meet these needs. After getting the clothing Tammy felt much more comfortable going out to job search.

While incarcerated, Tammy took part in the Muddy Paws 'Pets Helping People' program, which is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization that targets current female inmates to train in the pet grooming industry. The programs main goal is to provide some type of job training, and certifications, which will aid the participants upon re-entry into society. This was the line of work that Tammy wanted to pursue, as she had enjoyed this type of work while in the program and had some previous experience.

It wasn't long before Tammy found an employer who was interested in hiring her. Grand Groomers, a pet groomer in Grove, Ok hired Tammy on a full time basis as a pet stylist. However the job came with some expenses such as the cost of uniforms and tools that Tammy could not afford at the time. As a participant of the Cherokee Nation Re-Entry program, Tammy was able to get supportive service for the purchase of these items. This was extremely helpful to Tammy, as these are items that are essential, but hard to afford when just recently released from incarceration.

All assistance offered through the Cherokee Nation Re-Entry program helped to remove barriers so that Tammy could concentrate on other aspects of her release. While Tammy has no doubt that she would have been successful, the assistance that the Cherokee Nation Re-Entry Program provided has helped her extremely and she is very thankful. It not only assisted her with the purchase of much needed necessities, but also helped her so that she could gain employment in a field of work that she wants to pursue and make into a long-term career. Tammy is looking forward to the positive next stages of her life.



College Resource Center**Fall 2018 Funding Summary**

# of Fall 2018 scholarship awards thru 10/17/18	4,536 (2,300 Pell, 1,776 NonPell, 460 Grad)
# of Promise students for Fall 2018 thru 10/17/18	24 (19 NSU, 5 RSU)
# of Fall 2018 concurrent scholarships thru 10/17/18	342 (87 Juniors, 254 Seniors)

Outreach & Presentations:

- 9/13/18—College/Career Fair, Shawnee
- 9/14/18—Community Outreach, Bartlesville
- 9/19/18—Career Fair, Van Buren HS
- 9/19/18—Sequoyah County Counselors Association luncheon, Sallisaw (**Nancy Scott attended**)
- 9/20/18—Photo ID Session, Chouteau
- 9/21/18—College Fair, Muskogee HS
- 9/21/18—College Fair, Grove HS (**Nancy Scott Attended**)
- 9/22/18—Community Meeting, Ochelata
- 9/25/18—College Fair, Bartlesville HS
- 9/26/18—Tri county College Fair, Bartlesville
- 9/26/18—College Fair, Barnsdall
- 9/27/18—Photo ID/Community Meeting, Jay (**Chrissy Marsh attended**)
- 10/1/18—Presentation, Claremore/Sequoyah HS
- 10/2/18—Community Meeting, Stilwell
- 10/4/18—Parent Teacher Conference, Tahlequah HS (**Nancy Scott**)
- 10/4/18—Photo ID/Community Meeting, Claremore (**Monica Flynn and Taryn Taylor**)
- 10/5/18—College Fair, OKC/Rose State College
- 10/5/18—College Fair, Owasso HS (**Nancy Scott**)
- 10/9/18—College Fair, RSU Pryor Campus (**Nancy Scott**)

Future Plans:

1. Scheduled Annual Cherokee Nation College & Career Fair (Vinita) – November 8, 2018 @5:30pm, Craig County Fairgrounds & Community Center
2. Scheduling visits to public schools for school year 2018-19
3. December 28, 2018 – renewal deadline for students (UG, Promise & Grad) funded Fall 2018 to submit transcript and self-help forms.
4. October 1, 2018 - application opened for Spring 2019 Concurrent Enrollment Scholarship, deadline is December 28, 2018 @ 11:59pm CST.

Head Start

Activity	September	YTD
# of classrooms/sites	63 classrooms 21 sites	63 classrooms 21 sites
# of parent meetings conducted	7 Meetings Conducted	15 Conducted
# of site visits by HS/ECU staff	172 Site Visits	269 Conducted
# of PD hours completed	18.5 hours offered	60.25 hours offered
CC Expenditures - Travel	\$2,133.69	\$33,088.80

Child Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) Monthly Meal Counts and Reimbursement September 2018

Breakfast – 5,222	Lunch – 5,357	Snack – 5,181
Total Food Cost – \$	Reimbursement – \$33,052.62	

Accomplishments:

- 1) The 45-day screening period expired September 19, 2018 and by all accounts the profile of services is impressive with completed physicals, dentals, hearing, vision and speech to name a few major screenings. The results truly demonstrate early intervention.
- 2) The federal audit came and went September 10-14, 2018. Two major areas in Focus Area 2 and CLASS were reviewed. We anticipate both final reports will be received in the next month or so. The FA2 covers facilities, fiscal operations, credentials, documentations and enrollment to name a few major areas. The CLASS review involves operations in regard to classroom organization, emotional support and instructional support. This area involves intense training throughout the year.
- 3) The ECU Health and Safety related grant was funded for classroom cameras, roof repair, playground equipment, (4th thing?). All four areas will enhance services in the areas of health and safety.
- 4) 1 staff member received their CDA and 1 staff member renewed their CDA.

Upcoming initiatives:

- 1) The quarterly Health Advisory Board (HAB) is scheduled October 26, 2018 in the ECU conference room. The HAB reviews current health issues, situations and responds to healthy related questions.
- 2) The quarterly Public School Superintendent meeting is scheduled November 1, 2018 at 11:30 in the ECU conference room. The Superintendents are provided a status report of the data input required for each classroom. Enrollment and training is an ongoing topic.
- 3) Preparation is on the fast track for the 25th annual Early Childhood conference scheduled for November 19-21, 2018 in Tulsa. A celebration of 40 years of Head Start will be a focus point of the conference this year.
- 4) Four staff will travel to Santa Fe, NM on November 26-29, 2018 for training in the area of special services. The training is provided at no cost by the Office of Head Start.

JOM/ Johnson O'Malley Program

Activity

September/October

YTD

	JOM	Special Projects	Public School Outreach	YTD Total
# of students on program	25,540 (10/17/18)	-		25,540
# of schools participating	68	40	9	117
# of communities participating	3	-	1	4
# of special events		5	3	85
# participants students/adults		2932/110	2185	163,612/376
# of school staff participating		146	147	1647
# of contractors participating			10	163

Accomplishments:

1. 55 - 2018-19 JOM Applications have been approved to date, 12 are in contracts, Field Specialist working on 4 Applications.
2. JOM FS Coordinator assisted with Heritage presentation in OKC 9/14/18
3. 2019 OKJOM Planning meeting – Ada, OK 9/18/18
4. JOM Indian Education Committee Elections mail out 9/21/18
5. JOM FS assisted at Salina Schools at their Cultural Day activities – Stickball 9/21/18
6. JOM FS assisted at the Heritage Center 10/4/18
7. JOM FS Coordinator attended Community Meeting in Nowata worked Education Booth 10/13/18.
8. JOM FS attended IEC Elections at Wickliffe School 10/15/18.
9. JOM FS attended IEC Elections at Leach Public School 10/16/18
10. JOM Field Specialist attend IEC Elections at Lowery School 2 in attendance 10/16/18
11. JOM Staff Technical Assistance provided via by phone to Belfonte/Bell, Catoosa, Claremore, Copan, Gans, Grandview, Greasy, Keys, Locust Grove, Oklahoma Union, Osage, Porum, Pryor, Sallisaw, Tulsa, Verdigris, Warner, Westville, and Wickliffe.

Future Plans/New Initiatives:

1. October 22 - 25 – JOM Staff Assisting Special Projects with Cherokee Challenge Bowl
2. October 25 – Attend Owasso IEC Elections
3. November 8 – JOM 101 Tulsa Space Air Museum 6:00 p.m.
4. November 27 – JOM 101 Gore Public Schools
5. November 29 – JOM 101 Kansas Public Schools

Up Coming Events:

Cherokee Challenge Bowl October 22 – 25

Cherokee Language Bowl Mentorship Program starts in November

CCES in Brushy Schools Nov. 13 – 16

CCES in Caney Valley Nov. 13 - 16

Nowata Robotic – Nov. 3rd

Roland Robotic – Nov. 10th