



October 2018

IAD Insight

New Mexico Indian Affairs Department

New Mexico Infrastructure Finance Conference (NMIFC)

The New Mexico Indian Affairs Department (IAD) participated in the 2018 New Mexico Infrastructure & Finance Conference on October 24-26, 2018 at the Isleta Hotel & Casino, Isleta, NM. IAD was responsible for the coordination of the tribal tracks consisting of Community-Level Housing Assessment Mobile Data Collection; The Potential of GIS in Tribal Planning & Program Management; Broadband Opportunities in Rural Communities; Streamlining the Internal IGA Process for Road Projects; Bond Financing & First Steps to Project Management.

In partnership with the our presenters, the tribal track was well attended and information well received would like to personally thank Angel Yatsayte, Housing Data Technician, Zuni Housing Authority, Miriam Diddy, Planner, GIS Specialist, Atkin, Olshin, Schade Architects, Shawns Evans, AIA Principal, Atkin, Olshin, Shade Architects, Linda M. Chavez, Community Liaison, New Mexico Mortgage Finance Authority; Christy Van Buren, Tribal Planner, Ohkay Owingeh, Katie Smith, Senior Project Manager, Souder, Miller & Associates, Scott Andreason, P.E. GISP, GIS Program Manager, Souder, Miller & Associates, Christel Willie, GIS Technician, Pueblo of Cochiti; M. Teresa Hopkins, Executive Director, Navajo Nation Telecommunication Regulatory Commission, Jason Arviso, IT Director, Navajo Technical University, Victoria Garcia, IT Project Manager, Gar Clarke, Geospatial Program Manager, New Mexico Department of Information Technology; Clarissa Martinez, LGRF Program Coordinator, New Mexico Department of Transportation, Marlinda Littleman, Senior Programs & Projects Specialist, Navajo Division of Transportation, Sheri Bozic, Director, Planning & Development, Housing & Transportation Department, Pueblo of Jemez; Donna Maestas, Acting Director, State Board of Finance, and Brandon J. Herrera, Staff Engineer, Pueblo of Laguna in making this a successful conference. *(Continued on next page)*



Four of the awards presented acknowledged tribal entities:

Northern Pueblos Housing Authority Finance, Best Practice Award

The Northern Pueblos Housing Authority's (NPHA) secured a non-traditional funding source for the Picuris Community Solar System through the U.S. Dept. of Energy and, consequently, built the first DOE-funded solar project on Native American land in New Mexico. NPHA's financing and project success and commitment to support the Tribe's economic development and sustainability initiative warrants this best practice nomination.



Zuni Housing Authority Housing, Best Practice Award

Atkin Olshin & Schade Architects partnered with Zuni Housing Authority to develop and implement a user-friendly mobile app that uses innovative technology to assist communities in streamlining housing needs assessment data. The app enables preservation, rehabilitation, community planning and housing development through modern data collection.

Pueblo of Santa Clara Tribal, Best Practice Award

Santa Clara Pueblo is providing services to its members by providing infrastructure to improve its wastewater system area into areas not currently services by the system. The project promotes growth in the area of reliable sewer infrastructure and meeting the needs of future growth.



Navajo Nation Capital Projects Management Department, Ben Cowboy, Project Manager, Joe Guillen Award

Benjamin Cowboy, Project Manager, has taken on the vigorous task of project management to ensure that homes located in the rural areas receive running water or electricity. Mr. Cowboy provides technical assistance for several NM chapters whose members live in a remote area. Mr. Cowboy has helped multiple rural communities with project management as well completing required reports for each project. Mr. Cowboy enjoys working with community members across the Navajo Nation and has went above and beyond with his time and effort to improve the lives of the communities he has worked with.



Behavioral Health Planning Council (BHPC) Native American Subcommittee Meeting (NASC)

Secretary Shije is the chair of the NASC meeting that was held on October 9, 2018 at the El Zocalo in Bernalillo, NM. An invocation was provided by Joe Rosetta from the pueblo of Santo Domingo. The meeting included updates in regards to the FY19 NASC budget; information regarding the NASC behavioral health summit that will take place in Spring 2019; updates from local collaborative's and tribal liaisons regarding the Chronic Disease prevention Council, Veterans Outreach, and the opium and opioid epidemic; an update from the Sandoval County Youth Leadership regarding the non-violence and sobriety campaign that took place at Bernalillo High School for homecoming; and presentations from the tribal liaisons of the new Managed Care Organizations (MCO's).

The next NASC meeting will be held on November 15th in Gallup, NM.



Legislative Finance Committee (LFC)

On October 25, 2018, the Indian Affairs Department Acting Cabinet Secretary Suzette A. Shije, General Counsel, Jared Stensrud, Chief Financial Officer, Drew Roybal-Chavez and Lawrence John, Tribal Infrastructure Fund Administrator attended and presented before the Legislative Finance Committee on the program operating budget for FY17-FY20, initiatives to increase and improve communication, efficiency and continue to collaborate with tribes, pueblos and nations. The presentation also included IAD's professional service contracts and overview of the Capital Outlay and Tribal Infrastructure Fund projects from FY15 to FY18.

Funding Opportunities:

- [National Indian Health Board: Climate ready Tribes - Application Deadline: Nov 28, 2018](#)
- [U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration NOFA for Federal and Tribal Projects - Application Deadline: Dec 17, 2018](#)
- [First Nations Development Institute: Native Language Immersion Initiative Grant - Application Deadline: Dec 18, 2018](#)

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Behavioral Health Collaboration Quarterly Meeting

Secretary Shije attended the NM Behavioral Health Collaborative Quarterly Meeting that was held on October 11, 2018 at the Human Services Department in Santa Fe, NM. Dr. Wayne Lundstrom provided attendees with the CEO report; Sallyanne Wait, BH Manager provided an update to Centennial Care; Dan Green, Epidemiology, provided the results from the Youth Risk and Resiliency Survey; Bill Belzner provided an update on the BH Provider Guide; Robert Rhatiigan, Geospatial & Population Studies, UNM, presented on the Census 2020: What's at stake for NM?; Dr. Betty Downes provided the results from the BH Consumer, Family/Caregiver Satisfaction Project; Karen Meador presented on the Supportive Housing Report; Susie Kimble, Chair of the BHPC, gave an update on the BHPC report; and lastly, an update was provided from the Local Collaborative Alliance (LCA) Chair.

The Indian Affairs Department would like to acknowledge the tribes and tribal-serving organizations below for being recipients of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMSHA) grant awards. A total of \$5,082,743.00 was awarded to the tribes and native-serving organizations.

Entity	Award Type	Amount
Pueblo of Taos	Tribal Opioid Response Grant	\$ 85,115.00
Ohkay Owingeh	Tribal Opioid Response Grant	\$ 87,045.00
Ohkay Owingeh	Native Connections	\$ 236,633.00
The Zuni youth Enrichment Project	Native Connections	\$ 249,994.00
Five Sandoval Indian Pueblos, Inc.	Native Connections	\$ 250,000.00
Pueblo of Acoma	Native Connections	\$ 250,000.00
First Nations Community Healthsource, Inc.	Native Connections	\$ 250,000.00
Albuquerque Area Indian Health Board	HIV/CBI	\$ 282,354.00
Pueblo of Acoma	Indigenous - Project Launch	\$ 366,775.00
Pueblo of San Felipe	Zero Suicide	\$ 400,000.00
Albuquerque Area Indian Health Board	Strategic Prevention Framework - Partnership for Success	\$ 500,000.00
Five Sandoval Indian Pueblos, Inc.	Tribal Opioid Response Grant	\$ 772,946.00
Pueblo of San Felipe	Project Aware - State Education Agency	\$ 1,351,881.00



Southern Pueblos Council Meeting

Secretary Suzette A. Shije and Sainie Atencio, executive administrative assistant, attended the Southern Pueblos Council Meeting that was held on Thursday, October 11, 2018 at the Pueblo of Santo Domingo Tribal Cafeteria. Discussions were on the following topics:

- Pueblo Connections Radio Program
- UNM Sandoval Regional Medical Center Mill Levy
- CNAH Tribal Leaders Public Health Symposium
- Cibola National Forest Revision Planning Process
- Sandoval County Oil & Gas Ordinance

The Pueblo Connections Radio Program (102.1 FM) is on air Mondays and Wednesdays from 11 am – 1 pm. The show will be used as a platform to educate non-natives about the pueblo culture and to do outreach for the native communities. Also, to provide news about what is going on in pueblo communities.

The UNM Sandoval Regional Medical Center mill levy hospital tax will serve a lot of the native communities. If passed, this will expand the hospital from a level 4 to a level 3 trauma center. It'll allow the hospital to hire an anesthesiologist, more surgeons, and purchase more life-saving equipment. The Behavior Health Sciences Rio Rancho will house the center of excellence – will have education, training, and a learning center.

The CNAH Tribal Leaders Public Health Symposium will be held November 26-27, 2018. It will be a gathering of intergenerational teams of leaders from American Indian tribes, pueblos, and nations from New Mexico and beyond. The purpose will be to orient new and emerging tribal leaders to the core functions of public health and enhance health advocacy skills at all levels of engagement including tribal, state, and federal. <https://iikd.unm.edu/for-the-community/tlphs.html>.

The Cibola National Forest Revision Planning Process needs a new tribal liaison. The plans should guide how they work with pueblos and tribes. Feb. 2019 – plans to be released for public comment. You can review a current draft by accessing the following links; <https://www.fs.usda.gov/detailfull/cibola/landmanagement/planning/cid=stelprd3816114&width=full>.

Re: Access to use lands for traditional uses there will be a 90-day review opening.

At this time, Sandoval County is considering the creation of an ordinance that would create regulations for the operation of the Oil and Gas industry in Sandoval County. A Citizens Working Group has been acknowledged as they draft an ordinance for consideration by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Once considered by the Planning and Zoning Commission, a proposed ordinance would go before Sandoval County Board of County Commissions for further consideration. The County Commission would need to pass the ordinance for it to become law. If passed, it would be the first of its kind in Sandoval County.

<https://www.sandovalcountynm.gov/ogordinance/>



LC 18 Meeting



Secretary Shije was invited and attended the LC-18 meeting that was held on October 18, 2018 at the Circle of Life in Espanola, NM. Attendees were provided with updates from the chairperson's regarding fiscal reports and annual activities.

There are 18 Local Collaboratives (or LC's) around the state, their purpose is to develop strong local voices to guide behavioral health planning services. Local Collaboratives are a vital forum for the voice of people of the people of New Mexico who utilize behavioral

health services. Each Local Collaborative is asked to look at prevention, early intervention, health promotion, wellness, education and personal health responsibility, as well as workforce initiatives, facility infrastructure, and licensing and credentialing.

LC-18 is inclusive of the eight northern pueblos; Pojoaque, Tesuque, Taos, Picuris, Ohkay Owingeh, Santa Clara, San Ildefonso, and Nambe. LC-18 is chaired by Evelyn Naranjo of the Pueblo of San Ildefonso and includes approximately 15 members from the eight northern tribes and tribal serving organizations.



2019 Sponsorship Opportunity

The IAD Sponsorship form for 2019 is currently available. Your donations will be used towards the American Indian Day Reception, American Indian Day at the Legislature, and various other workshops and trainings. Please refer to the documents underlined below for more information about becoming a sponsor.

[Sponsorship Packet](#)

[W-9 Form](#)

[RDC W-9](#)

Per Section 9-21-7 Item C3, the department may solicit and accept gifts, grants, donations, bequests and devices





During September a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) was sent to New Mexico tribes, nations, pueblos and tribal serving organizations. This NOFA focused on recognizing the importance of language preservation within our New Mexico's Native communities; or the vital needs and resources available to our Native American veterans. Based on proposals received, the following special projects were awarded:

**Special Project Funding – Language Preservation or Veterans Outreach Programs
Funding FY 2019 AWARDS – 10 Projects**

TRIBAL ENTITY	AWARD TYPE	AWARD \$250,000.00
Pueblo of San Ildefonso	Language	\$16,339
Ohkay Owingeh Department of Education	Language	\$17,789
Pueblo of Cochiti	Language	\$21,264
Pueblo of Laguna	Veterans	\$21,661
Pueblo of Laguna	Language	\$22,569
Flower Hill Institute	Language	\$25,000
Pueblo of Taos	Language	\$26,061
Native American Community Academy	Language	\$28,739
American Indian Language Policy Research & Teacher Training Center	Language	\$35,000
Pueblo of Zuni	Veterans	\$35,578



**U.S. Department
of Veterans Affairs**

[Native American Direct Loan](#)

The Native American Veteran Direct Loan (NADL) program has Provided eligible Native Americans and their spouses the opportunity to use their Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) home loans guaranty benefit on Federal trust land.

[VA Recognition as a Tribal Organization](#)

Native Americans have been vital to the Armed Forces for more than 200 years. VA has regulations governing which organizations can help Veterans and survivors with their benefit claims. This used to be limited to federal, state, and local or regional organizations. As of March 2017, Tribal organizations may have similar recognition as state organizations. This allows Tribal organizations to help Veterans and survivors in their communities with claims.



The Administration for Native Americans (ANA), a major funder of tribal governance and infrastructure, recently announced their grant awards for 2019. IAD would like to congratulate all recipients including the Pueblo of Pojoaque who received the below award.

Pueblo of Pojoaque

The Pueblo of Pojoaque would like to create sustainable employment and to develop complementary enterprises. They will offer training and mentorship opportunities to staff at their tribal cultural museum. In addition they will offer training to local artist to enhance their ability to market products and increase revenues. Lastly they will develop 5 additional cultural enterprises including Eco tours, Native Artists craft markets and showcases, and an expanded gift shop to support developing artists, and increase tribal revenues.

- Project Period: 9/30/2016 - 9/29/2019
- FY 2017 Award: \$294,711



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Job Openings:

[Public Lands Partnerships Program Manager \(AIANTA\)](#)

[Puye Cliff Dwellings Cashier \(Santa Clara Development Corporation\)](#)

[Facilities Manager \(Pueblo of San Ildefonso\)](#)

[Economic Development Director \(Santa Clara Development Corporation\)](#)

[Forestry Technician \(Pueblo of Tesuque\)](#)

[Research Project Coordinator \(AAIHB\)](#)

[Health & Wellness Division Director \(Pueblo of Tesuque\)](#)

[Tribal Traffic Safety Specialists \(AAIHB\)](#)

[Senior Program Manager \(Pueblo of Tesuque\)](#)

[Staff Epidemiologist \(AASTEC\)](#)

[Behavioral Health Technician \(Eight Northern Pueblos Indian Council, Inc.\)](#)

Upcoming Events:

- **November 11:** Veteran's Day
 - [Honoring our Veterans, hosted by the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center](#)
 - [City of Santa Fe Veteran's Day Parade](#)
 - [Veteran's Day Parade in Gallup, NM](#)
 - [MIAC Annual Veterans Day Event](#)
 - [Rock Springs, NM Veteran's Day honor celebration](#)
- **November 12:** Tesuque Pueblo Annual Feast Day
- **November 12:** Jemez Pueblo Annual Feast Day
- **November 26 - 27:** Tribal Leaders' Public Health Symposium, hosted by UNM CNAH
- **December 10-12:** The Good Road of Life Conference, hosted by Native Pride
- **December 12:** Pojoaque Pueblo Annual Feast Day

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