

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 18-049

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES TO APPLY FOR A GRANT FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, TO IMPLEMENT A TRANSITIONAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women has made available grant funds to provide transitional housing assistance for victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence or stalking; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI” or the “Tribe”) has many members that can benefit from such a program; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Committee on Community and Family Services and Veteran’s Affairs and the Tribal Council to authorize the application for available funds for funding domestic violence related programs; and

WHEREAS, there are certain conditions and terms of the grant that the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians is exempt from complying with based on its status as a federally recognized Indian Tribe; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief or her designee, to apply for, negotiate, and sign a grant application with the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women for the grant amount of \$350,000.00 subject to adjustment, to fund a program on the Reservation to aid victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence or stalking with transitional housing; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the grant application is made with the following stipulations:

1. The Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI”) is a federally recognized Indian Tribe and pursuant to federal law, will only comply with those regulations that are specifically applicable to Indian Tribes;
2. The Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI”) adheres to a publicly announced policy of Indian preference in all employment related actions including recruitment, employment, reduction in force, promotion, training and transfer to the maximum extent allowed by applicable law;
3. The Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI”) is exempt from making certification regarding or from filing Standard Form-LLL regarding lobbying per 31 U.S.C. Sec. 1352, 2 U.S.C. Sec. 1602, 40 CFR 34.105(1) and 40 CFR 34.110, as to any such activity which may have been or may be undertaken by tribal officials or tribal employees or where such reporting is otherwise exempted under §1352(d). The MBCI has not engaged any outside lobbyist to engage in any activity regarding this grant which would require reporting under any of the referenced statutes; and be it further

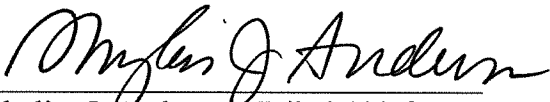
RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief or her designee, to sign additional documents, forms, or contracts directly related to the continuance, amendment, renewal or extension of this grant award subject to the availability of funds from the U.S. Department of Justice, without further Council action.


CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary-Treasurer of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, certify that the Tribal Council of said Band is composed of 17 members, 15 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Special Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2018; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 14 members in favor, 1 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2018.

ATTEST:

  
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Phyliss J. Anderson, Tribal Chief

  
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Richard T. Isaac, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 18-050

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE  
MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND  
COMMUNITY SERVICES AND THE CHOCTAW HOUSING AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (a) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI” or the “Tribe”) empowers the Tribal Council to negotiate with and to approve or disapprove contracts or agreements with Federal, State or local governments, with private persons or with corporate bodies; and

WHEREAS, a need exists to assist individuals and families and provide housing from displacement due to sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women, has made grant funds available to implement a Transitional Housing Assistance Program; and

WHEREAS, the Transitional Housing Assistance Program will assist Tribal victims with housing and long-term stability; and

WHEREAS, MBCI Department of Family and Community Services (“DFCS”) and Choctaw Housing Authority (“CHA”) desire to work in coordination and cooperation with each other to assist victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking with housing needs; and

WHEREAS, should the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women award the MBCI this grant, the DFCS and the CHA shall implement the proposed Memorandum of Understanding and develop Policies and Procedures which shall outline the method of implementation; and

WHEREAS, the Choctaw Housing Authority Board of Commissioners and the Committee on Community and Family Services & Veteran’s Affairs have reviewed the attached Memorandum of Understanding and recommended this matter be forwarded to the Tribal Council for approval; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby approve and authorize the Tribal Chief to enter into the attached Memorandum of Understanding between the MBCI Department of Family and Community Services and Choctaw Housing Authority in substantially the same form as attached, to be effective upon the awarding of the above referenced grant; and be it further

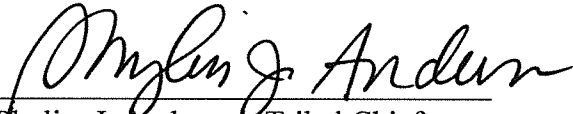
RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief or her designee, to sign additional documents, forms or contracts directly related to the continuance, amendment or extension of this Memorandum of Understanding without further Council action and to approve the Policies and Procedures for implementation of the Memorandum of Understanding.

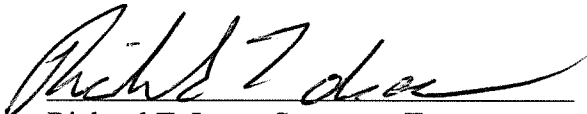
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Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2018.

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Phylliss J. Anderson, Tribal Chief

  
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Richard T. Isaac, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 18-051

A RESOLUTION TO SUBMIT A PROPOSAL TO THE ADMINISTRATION FOR NATIVE AMERICANS FOR A CHOCTAW YOUTH LEARNING THROUGH STEM AND CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION (CYLSTEMCTE) PROJECT FOR CHOCTAW TRIBAL SCHOOLS

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (a) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI” or the “Tribe”) empowers the Tribal Council to negotiate with and to approve or disapprove contracts or agreements with Federal, State or local governments, with private persons or with corporate bodies; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians operates its Choctaw Tribal Schools and has for many years received Federal funding from the Administration for Native Americans (“ANA”); and

WHEREAS, on February 6, 2018, CFDA published a Funding Opportunity Announcement (“FOA”) HHS-2018-ACF-ANA-NC-1341, Native Youth Initiative for Leadership, Empowerment, and Development (I-LEAD), which provides funding for seven projects with an annual award ceiling of \$300,000 plus a \$75,000 in-kind match; and

WHEREAS, the FOA list of possible projects includes, but is not limited to, projects working with youth high school students that foster and promote Native Youth engagement in school and learning and investments in their success; and

WHEREAS, the Choctaw Central High School has conducted meetings in January, February and March, 2018, with tribal youth who expressed the need for a project on vocational attainment in contributing to Choctaw community goals; and

WHEREAS, Tribal youth will be participating in STEM and technology courses that lead to careers that have identified needs for employees on or near the reservation; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Education, Choctaw Tribal Schools Occupational Training Center (“OTC”) has developed a project to address youth STEM and technical education which could be implemented with the \$300,000 grant award and supported by the \$75,000 in-kind match of OTC staff time per year over a three year period; and

WHEREAS, the Education Committee has reviewed the I-LEAD application to ANA and recommends the Tribe’s application and receipt of the grant award be forwarded to the Tribal Council for approval; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the grant application is made with the following stipulations:

1. The Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI”) is a federally recognized Indian Tribe and pursuant to federal law, will only comply with those regulations that are specifically applicable to Indian Tribes;

2. The Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI”) adheres to a publicly announced policy of Indian preference in all employment related actions including recruitment, employment, reduction in force, promotion, training and transfer to the maximum extent allowed by applicable law;
3. The Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI”) is exempt from making certification regarding or from filing Standard Form-LLL regarding lobbying per 31 U.S.C. Sec. 1352, 2 U.S.C. Sec. 1602, 40 CFR 34.105(1) and 40 CFR 34.110, as to any such activity which may have been or may be undertaken by tribal officials or tribal employees or where such reporting is otherwise exempted under §1352(d). The MBCI has not engaged any outside lobbyist to engage in any activity regarding this grant which would require reporting under any of the referenced statutes; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief or her designee, to apply for a grant award from the Administration for Native Americans and to negotiate, sign and receive a grant award from the Administration for Native Americans for the grant amount of \$900,000; and be it further

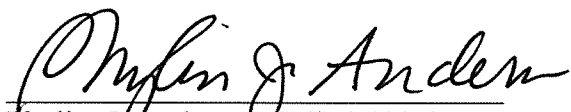
RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief or her designee, to sign additional documents, forms or contracts directly related to the continuance, amendment or extension of this grant without further Council action.

#### CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary-Treasurer of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, certify that the Tribal Council of said Band is composed of 17 members, 15 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Special Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2018; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 14 members in favor, 1 opposed and 0 abstaining.

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Phylliss J. Anderson, Tribal Chief

  
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Richard T. Isaac, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 18-052

A RESOLUTION DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO THE TRIBAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS TO FULFILL E-RATE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PROVISION OF TELECOMMUNICATION, INTERNET ACCESS AND ANY OTHER E-RATE ELIGIBLE SERVICES TO CHOCTAW TRIBAL SCHOOLS

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (a) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI” or the “Tribe”) empowers the Tribal Council to negotiate with and to approve or disapprove contracts or agreements with Federal, State, or local governments, with private persons or with corporate bodies; and

WHEREAS, for many years the Choctaw Tribal Schools have been the recipient of E-Rate funding for the provision of E-Rate eligible services to the eight (8) tribal school sites; and

WHEREAS, the highly technical requirements, program rules, and bid processes required by the Federal Communications Commission (“FCC”) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (“USAC”) require strict compliance with quickly-occurring rigid deadlines regarding execution of contractual agreements to allow for reimbursement under the E-Rate program; and

WHEREAS, these rigid deadlines have caused difficulty in obtaining Tribal Council approval on needed E-Rate contracts due to scheduling, and there is a great need for a delegation to the Tribal Chief for authority to negotiate and sign necessary contracts to continue to obtain E-Rate funding; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is aware that extensions or bids will be received under the E-Rate funding guidelines and competitive bids, if necessary, will be obtained under the E-Rate guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the Choctaw Tribal Schools, in conjunction with the Procurement Office and Attorney General’s Office, will review and analyze the extensions or bids, including analysis and review of the state master contract awarded through the Mississippi Department of Information Technology Services, to determine the best option for continuance of the provision of E-Rate eligible services to the eight (8) tribal school sites; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds that this delegation of contractual authority to the Chief is in the best interest of the Tribe and necessary to prevent any interruption in the needed E-Rate eligible services to the eight (8) tribal school sites; and

WHEREAS, the Education Committee has reviewed this resolution and recommends that that Tribal Council approve same; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby delegate contracting authority to the Tribal Chief or her designee, to enter into contracts under the E-Rate program to provide

telecommunication and internet access services or any other E-Rate eligible services to the Choctaw Tribal Schools; and be it further


RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief or her designee, to execute any further documents which are necessary to implement this Resolution or to comply with the requirements of the E-Rate funding award which provides E-Rate eligible services to Choctaw Tribal Schools, or to execute timely renewals, modifications, extensions or termination of any E-Rate contracts in accordance with tribal law.

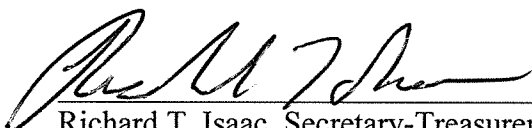
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Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2018.

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Phylliss J. Anderson, Tribal Chief

  
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Richard T. Isaac, Secretary-Treasurer



MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 18-053

A RESOLUTION TO APPLY FOR FUNDS FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OFFICE OF CAREER, TECHNICAL, AND ADULT EDUCATION FOR OPERATION OF THE CHOCTAW CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (a) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI” or the “Tribe”) empowers the Tribal Council to negotiate with and to approve or disapprove contracts or agreements with Federal, State, or local governments, with private persons or with corporate bodies; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Education is seeking applications from Federally-recognized Native American Tribal Governments for FY 2018 funding to improve post-secondary career and technical education programs for eligible Tribal members; and

WHEREAS, the MBCI has successfully operated its Choctaw Vocational Education Program (now termed Native American Career and Technical Education Program [NACTEP]) for many years, in which hundreds of adult Choctaw students have received jobs-skills training and employment-readiness opportunities; and

WHEREAS, many jobs requiring high-level technical skills are available to well-trained Tribal members both on- and off-Reservation in jobs, such as healthcare, nursing, culinary arts, hotel and restaurant management, automotive technology, accounting technology, medical records, marketing management, office systems technology, construction trades, computer technology, and administrative assistantship training, as measured by a 2018 Regional Labor Market Survey and letters of support from area employers; and

WHEREAS, the Choctaw Workforce Development Department within the MBCI Division of Education has planned an excellent career and technical education program in close collaboration with area community colleges that seeks to align student interest with identified MBCI Economic Development plan needs; and

WHEREAS, the new Choctaw Career and Technical Education Program seeks to build upon current educational and training successes and to expand into newly-identified industry needs to prepare more young Tribal members for workplace readiness and ability to pursue more high-tech jobs both on- and off-Reservation; and

WHEREAS, the Funding Opportunity Number for the FY 2018 NACTEP grant program is ED-GRANTS-020518-001; and

WHEREAS, the CFDA Number for the FY 2018 NACTEP grant program is 84.101A; and

WHEREAS, the Funding Opportunity requests proof of coordination and collaboration with local community colleges regarding the career and technical education programs that can be provided to tribal members, and the Choctaw Workforce Development Department has secured Articulation Agreements from four community colleges that are ready for execution by the Tribal Chief; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Education has reviewed the Tribe's NACTEP grant proposal to apply for FY 2018 funds, and recommends that the Tribe's application and receipt of U.S. Department of Education's discretionary funding be forwarded to the Tribal Council for approval; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Tribe's grant application is made with the following stipulations:

1. The Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians ("MBCI") is a Federally-recognized Indian tribe and pursuant to Federal law, will only comply with those regulations that are specifically applicable to Indian Tribes; and
2. The Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians ("MBCI") adheres to a publicly-announced policy of Indian preference in all employment related actions including recruitment, employment, reduction-in-force, promotion, training and transfer to the maximum extent allowed by applicable law; and
3. The Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians ("MBCI") is exempt from making certification regarding or from filing Standard Form-LLL regarding lobbying per 31 U.S.C. Sec. 1352, 2 U.S.C. Sec. 1602, 40 CFR 34.105(1) and 40 CFR 34.110, as to any such activity which may have been or may be undertaken by Tribal officials or Tribal employees or where such reporting is otherwise exempted under § 1352(d). The MBCI has not engaged any outside lobbyist to engage in any activity regarding this grant which would require reporting under any of the referenced statutes; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the duly-elected Tribal Chief of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians has Tribal Constitutional authority to sign any documents necessary for implementation of the grant, including but not limited to the Articulation Agreements with East Central Community College, Meridian Community College, Hinds Community College and Holmes Community College; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief or her designee, to apply for and sign for available Tribal Government grant programs through the Native American Career and Technical Education program from the U.S. Department of Education; and be it further

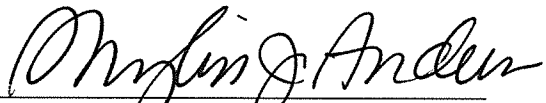
RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief or her designee, to renew the NACTEP grants and to apply for any new grants in subsequent applications subject to the availability of funds through the NACTEP program from the U.S. Department of Education.

#### CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary-Treasurer of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, certify that the Tribal Council of said Band is composed of 17 members, 15 of whom, constituting a quorum were present at a Special Call meeting duly called, noticed, convened and held this the 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2018; and that the foregoing Resolution was duly Adopted by a vote of 14 members in favor, 1 opposed and 0 abstaining.

Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2018.

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Phyllis J. Anderson, Tribal Chief

  
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Richard T. Isaac, Secretary-Treasurer

MISSISSIPPI BAND OF CHOCTAW INDIANS

RESOLUTION CHO 18-054

A RESOLUTION TO APPLY FOR THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE GRANTS  
THROUGH THE COORDINATED TRIBAL ASSISTANCE SOLICITATION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Section 1, Subsection (a) of Article VIII of the Revised Constitution and Bylaws of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (“MBCI” or the “Tribe”) empowers the Tribal Council to negotiate with and to approve or disapprove contracts or agreements with Federal, State, or local governments, with private persons or with corporate bodies; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Justice is seeking applications from Federally-recognized Native American Tribal Governments for FY 2018 funding to improve public safety and victim services in tribal communities; and

WHEREAS, this solicitation provides Federally-recognized tribes an opportunity to develop a comprehensive and coordinated approach to public safety and victimization issues and to apply for funding; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. DOJ’s existing Tribal Government-specific programs are included in and available through this single Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (“CTAS”); and

WHEREAS, MBCI operates its Department of Public Safety and has for many years applied for and received discretionary Federal funding through the CTAS Program; and

WHEREAS, the Funding Opportunity Number for the FY 2018 CTAS grant cycle is: DOJ-2018-5410; and

WHEREAS, the MBCI Department of Public Safety seeks discretionary Federal funding that is available for the FY 2018 CTAS under the following CFDA Number: 16.710-Public Safety and Community Oriented Policing (COPS) Office Tribal Resources Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the MBCI Department of Wildlife and Parks seeks discretionary Federal funding that is available for the FY 2018 CTAS under the following CFDA Number: 16.731-Tribal Youth Program; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Judicial Affairs and Law and Order has reviewed the Tribe’s CTAS grant proposal to apply for FY 2018 CTAS funds, and recommends that the Tribe’s application and receipt of U.S. DOJ’s discretionary funding be forwarded to the Tribal Council for approval; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the grant application is made with the following stipulations:

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employment, reduction in force, promotion, training and transfer to the maximum extent allowed by applicable law;

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RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief or her designee, to apply for and sign for available Tribal Government grant programs through the Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation program from the U.S. Department of Justice; and be it further

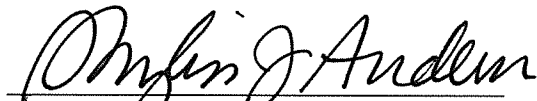
RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chief or her designee, to renew the CTAS grants and to apply for any new grants in subsequent applications subject to the availability of funds through the Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation program from the U.S. Department of Justice.


#### CERTIFICATION

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