



WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE

*A Sovereign Nation Exercising Self-Governance
Over the Fort Apache Indian Reservation*

Resolution No. 03-2013-78

(Approval of Grant Application for the Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program)

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe ("Tribe") is entrusted by the Tribe's Constitution to act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe, to manage all economic affairs and enterprises of the Tribe, and to regulate subordinate organizations for economic and other purposes; and

WHEREAS, the high occurrence of alcohol and substance abuse, mental health disorders, suicide and criminal activity in Native American communities is well documented. These serious behavioral health issues have a profound impact on the public safety and health of individuals, families, and communities on the Fort Apache Reservation; and

WHEREAS, since 1990, the Tribe has experienced suicide rates among young adults that are ten times the national average for all races and five times higher than the national average for Native Americans. Alcohol intoxication was a factor in six out of eight completed suicides on the Fort Apache Reservation in 2012. Indian Health Services reports that Native Americans have a 524% greater incidence of alcoholism than any other ethnic groups in the US. The 2010 Surgeon General's Report suggests that alcoholism is in actuality expressions for depression or other mental health disorders; and

WHEREAS, the most recent census data shows that of the 15,980 enrolled members of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, 7,950 are adults. The White Mountain Apache Detention Center has over 6,000 individuals pass through its doors per year. There are a growing number of individuals that receive a sentence of 100 days incarceration; and

WHEREAS, Apache Behavioral Health Staff conducted a survey at tribal open air market in early 2013: 169 adult Tribal members (71 male, 98 female) were solicited randomly. The survey results indicated that 100% has a family member or friend who attempted suicide and 20% reported attempted suicide themselves; 42% of those surveyed reported using drugs or alcohol to cope with anxiety or depression, while 65% reported a family member doing the same; 73% reported a history of significant trauma, 52% with a family history of trauma; 35% reporting depression or anxiety that lasted longer than 2 weeks, while 42% reported a family member with these symptoms; 69% of respondents reported having been arrested with 84% reporting family members having a history of arrests; and

WHEREAS, given the urgency of the need for collaborative intervention, the Tribal Council further finds that the grant application needs to be considered and made outside of its regularly scheduled meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council further finds that: (1) this Resolution may be voted upon by signature of a member of the Tribal Council where a signature indicates a vote for this Resolution, (2) the Tribal Council Secretary should attempt to obtain signatures for members of the Tribal Council personally, (3) no signature would mean that the respective Tribal Council member is against this Resolution, (4) the Tribal Council Secretary should wait no longer than a reasonable period of time to obtain a vote by signature or by no signature and so indicate that this Resolution was presented to the respective member of the Tribal Council for a vote.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe the it hereby approves the clarification and reaffirmation of the Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program (CFDA #16.745) Category 2: planning and Implementation Competition ID: BJA-2013-3495 as follows:

1. ABHS in collaboration with law enforcement leadership form a task force effort integrating a Trauma Informed Care Framework into Principles of Practice to improve the quality of services available to mental health and substance abuse disorders involved in the justice system. Training will be provided to the law enforcement personnel with training in both Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) and Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST) to improve their awareness of the increase skills for identifying and responding to individuals with mental health disorders.
2. Detention and the Tribal Court personnel will be provided the same MHFA and ASIST evidenced based trainings to improve their awareness of and increase their skills for identifying and responding to individuals with mental health disorders.
3. The axis of the program begins with a treatment team, consisting of a trained clinician and bi-lingual case manager to provide both assessment and treatment services on site at the detention center. Co-location of the clinical team 50/50 at the detention center and the ABHS clinic is a primary feature of the program design. Ongoing consultation and on the job training opportunities for Detention Center staff based on the collaborative effort to meet the needs of identified clients will promote the integration of trauma informed care practices within the justice system.
4. Recommendations and eligibility for both Diversion and Detention based services are provided by clinicians in a report to the Court. ABHS will provide individually tailored diversion treatment services using a culturally sensitive trauma informed care approach. The diversion program will utilize case management to access existing and developing, promising, evidenced based and integrated, therapeutic programs including: supported employment; supported education; psycho-educational, skills development substance abuse recovery, relapse prevention, cultural empowerment and therapeutic groups; client advocacy peer support and family support services; directive Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT) informed individual and group counseling services. All adults who have been diagnosed with mental illness or co-occurring mental health and substance abuse disorders who have faced, could face, or are facing criminal charges for a nonviolent offense are eligible for detention based and diversion services.
5. Individuals enrolled in parole or probation services will have access to treatment services, including coordination of care with dedicated case management providing reports to their Parole/Probation officer on progress made in the treatment program. Parole/Probation officers will be invited to participate in treatment planning and progress review meetings. All probation and parole personnel working with

Tribal Members on the Fort Apache Reservation will be provided MHFA and ASIST evidenced based trainings to improve their awareness of and increase their skills for identifying and responding to individuals with mental health and co-occurring' disorders.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that for the safety and wellbeing of our tribal members, the White Mountain Apache Tribe with Apache Behavioral Health Services, Inc. is working collaboratively to alleviate these mental health concerns.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that given the urgency of the request described herein, this Resolution may be voted upon as follows: (a) by signature of a member of the Tribal Council, including the Chairman of the Tribal Council and the Vice-Chairman of the Tribal Council, where a signature indicates a vote for this Resolution, (b) the Tribal Council Secretary shall attempt to obtain signatures for members of the Tribal Council personally, (c) no signature shall mean that the respective Tribal Council member is against this Resolution, (d) the Tribal Council Secretary should wait no longer than a reasonable period of time to obtain a vote by signature or by no signature, and so indicate that this Resolution was presented to the respective member of the Tribal Council for a vote.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event that this Resolution conflicts with a prior Resolution or Policy, this Resolution shall supersede and govern over the conflicting subject matter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs that in the event this Resolution directly conflicts with the Tribal Constitution, Tribal Ordinances or Federal Laws, this Resolution shall be declared null and void and have no legal effect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Chairman, or in his absence, the Acting Chairman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution. In the event that the Chairman fails to delegate signatory authority to an Acting Chairman, the Vice-Chairman may sign.

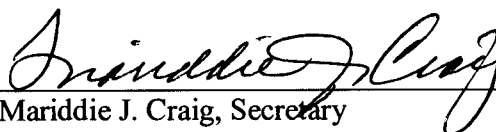
The foregoing resolution was on MARCH 21, 2013 duly adopted by a vote of five for and zero against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to the authority vested in it by Article IV, Section 1 (a), (b), (s), (t) and (u) of the Tribal Constitution, ratified by the Tribe September 30, 1993, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on November 12, 1993, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).



Ronnie Lupe, Chairman

3/23/13

Date



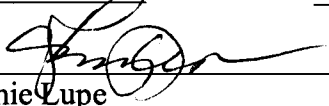
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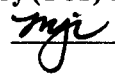
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Signatures of the members of the Tribal Council represent their approval of Tribal Council Resolution No. 03-2013-78 initiated the 21st day of March 2013. Presented Personally by Tribal Council Secretary (TCS)-Indicated by Initials


Ronnie Lupe
Tribal Chairman

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Timothy Hinton Sr.
Vice Chairman

Date Signed

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Arnold Beach, Sr.
District I Council Member

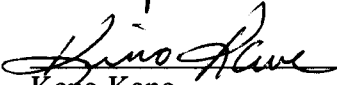
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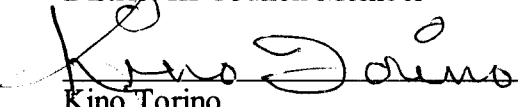
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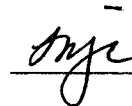
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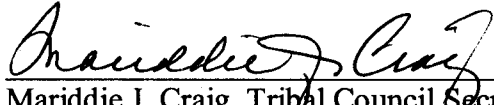
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Theresa Larzelere
District IV Council Member

Date Signed

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ATTEST:


Mariddie J. Craig, Tribal Council Secretary

March 3, 2013
Date Signed