

RESOLUTION OF THE  
WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE OF THE  
FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION

WHEREAS, The White Mountain Apache Tribal Council recognizes the need to effectively address the problem of domestic violence on the Fort Apache Reservation; and

WHEREAS, coordination between various local agencies dealing with domestic violence is essential to approach and recommend realistic solutions to such problems; and

WHEREAS, The White Mountain Apache Committee for Family Peace has been formed by representatives of local agencies recognized by the Tribal Council for the purpose of coordinating their services and decision-making towards the goal of prevention of domestic violence and better service to victims of abuse; and

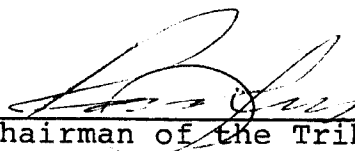
WHEREAS, the actions of the White Mountain Apache Committee for Family Peace will be advisory in nature and will seek to improve service within the community; and

WHEREAS, the White Mountain Apache Committee for Family Peace recognizes the need to appeal to the Tribal Council for their participation and guidance in the Committee's endeavors.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Tribal Council hereby recognizes the White Mountain Apache Committee for Family Peace as an official group for the purposes listed above, and for those purposes set forth in the attached Statement of Purpose incorporated by reference herein.

The foregoing resolution was on March 6, 1985, duly adopted by a vote of 10 for and 0 against by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, pursuant to authority vested in it by Article V, Section 1 (i) of the Amended Constitution and Bylaws of the Tribe, ratified by the Tribe June 27, 1958,

and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on May 29, 1958, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984)

  
Chairman of the Tribal Council

  
Secretary of the Tribal Council

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# WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE COMMITTEE FOR FAMILY PEACE

## Statement of Purpose

### BACKGROUND

Problems of family violence, including spouse abuse, child abuse, and abuse of elderly persons, have been recognized as serious in our community for many years. In response to the apparent lack of community awareness of the problem and limited services to victims of family violence in the community, a group of concerned people began meeting in order to address some of these problems. They initiated media projects and special events designed to create community awareness of the problem, and became involved in a coalition that was organized to solve problems of family violence at the regional, state, and federal level. As a result of the publicity that these activities has generated, membership in the local group has grown. This statement is designed to formalize the committee by establishing goals upon which it will concentrate.

### PURPOSE

The committee exists for the purpose of preventing family violence and enhancing treatment through:

- recommending policy to governing bodies on issues of family violence;
- providing community education about family violence and the extent of the problem;
- planning for the implementation of programs to deal with family violence;
- coordinating the existing network of community agencies for more effective handling of family violence situations;
- advocating on behalf of victims of family violence;
- initiating procedures for voluntary and involuntary treatment of abusers.

### OBJECTIVES

- 1) Recommend policy to the Tribal Council regarding family violence.
- 2) Talk with the Council about the possibility of mandating appropriate treatment for family members.
- 3) Explore local shelter home and safe home alternatives.
- 4) Appear before the Tribal Council on a regular basis to report on the activities of the committee.
- 5) Sponsor training for staff of all local treatment agencies and institutions.
- 6) Increase abuser services available in the community.
- 7) Establish an ongoing speaker's bureau to deliver presentations to schools, community groups, and agencies, upon request.
- 8) Sponsor theme events, such as "Apaches Against Family Violence Week", fun runs, and movies to increase community awareness of the problem.
- 9) Develop and maintain an inventory of pamphlets describing services and providing education, for distribution to persons in need.
- 10) Prepare media materials.
- 11) Prepare a brochure describing all available local resources.
- 12) Provide referral services as requested.