

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

(Authorizing the Submission of the U.S. Department of Justice, Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation Grant Proposal by Planning Office and Accepting Award If Granted)

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article IV, Section 1(a) of the Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, *inter alia*, the Tribal Council has the authority to represent the Tribe and act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, Attorney General Eric H. Holder, Jr. held field hearings for tribal consultation and the Department of Justice "...is committed to a sustained partnership with Tribal governments to improve public safety, criminal and juvenile justice systems and victim services in Tribal communities...streamlining the grant process..." and responding to tribal concerns, made available a new grant opportunity under the U.S. Department of Justice, the Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS) for funding several purpose areas to improve public safety and victim services in tribal communities, and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Community Development Office Director and grant writer met with several law-enforcement related Tribal Departments and identified a definite need for funding of personnel, equipment, and other resources to address public safety and victimization issues on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation in four purpose areas; and

WHEREAS, the grant total of all projects would cost up to \$3.4 million to fund and local Tribal Departments would manage the grant project for each area as follows:

- 1. <u>Purpose Area #1 (COPS)</u>: Improve public safety and enhance community policing capacity up to \$1 million **Tribal Police Department**; and
- 2. <u>Purpose Area #3 (BJA)</u>: Develop and enhance the operation of Tribal justice systems up to \$500,00 **Tribal Court**; and
- 3. <u>Purpose Area #4 (BJA)</u>: Plan, construct paved parking lot, roadway, and install security lighting at the correctional facility up to \$1 million also requiring a matching fund of 10% (ten percent) of total costs **Detention Center**; and
- 4. Purpose Area #6 (OVW): Enhance responses to sexual assault, domestic violence up to \$900,000 **Tribal Prosecution Unit**.

; and

WHEREAS, a DOJ-CTAS program requirement for two of the above projects (Purpose Areas #3 and #4) is to maintain an advisory board, and shall be addressed by requesting that the Tribal Council approve the enhancement of these projects by appointing the current Law and Order Committee to fulfill this requirement for both projects; and

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- WHEREAS, the DOJ-CTAS program also requires project collaboration structure, communication, and coordination throughout the projects; and
- WHEREAS, it is essential to identify key partners and their roles and current Tribal and Federal Departments, outside organizations, and others that are current and potential partners in the above-named law enforcement related Tribal Departments; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council requests that relevant Department Heads submit Letters of Support in an effort to explain their roles for this project and how they aim to help the Tribe meet project goals and objectives for this grant proposal upon funding; and
- WHEREAS, studies of the general Native American communities in the U.S. have shown, and our Tribal law-enforcement related departments have determined that there is a serious need for improved services to the people of the White Mountain Apache communities due to the growth of Tribal and non-Tribal member populations, increased social problems that include, but are not limited to, increase in all types of crimes, high juvenile and domestic violence crime rates, high suicide rate, increased substance abuse/drug-related crimes, and other social problems; and
- WHEREAS, there is a need for resources for supporting and developing a coalition to effect social change and systemic reform in response to ending crime and violence against reservation community members and to ensure the safety of victims and to further promote the accountability of offenders; and
- WHEREAS, given the importance of this grant and the impending application deadline of May 17, 2010, it is recommended that the application be submitted by Friday May 14th and that the Tribal Council act promptly to facilitate this process for much needed services; and
- WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds it in the best interest of the White Mountain Apache Tribe to support and authorize the Planning Office to propose an application and budget, and endorses the planned DOJ-CTAS Program to be managed and carried out in furtherance of the goals and objectives for each project referenced hereto by the Tribe's law-enforcement related Departments including the Police Department, Tribal Court, Detention Center, and Prosecution Unit.
- **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby authorizes the Planning and Community Development Office Director, Bernadette SantaMaria, in collaboration with Police Chief Kim Pound, Acting Chief Judge Kay Lewis, Prosecutor James Hill, and Detention Center Director Leandro Garcia, to submit a grant proposal to the U.S. DOJ, Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation program, in an effort to address public safety and victimization issues on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation covering the four Purpose Areas as follows:
  - 1. Purpose Area #1 (COPS): Improve public safety and enhance community policing capacity up to \$1 million Tribal Police Department; and
  - 2. <u>Purpose Area #3 (BJA)</u>: Develop and enhance the operation of Tribal justice systems up to \$500,00 **Tribal Court**; and

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- 3. <u>Purpose Area #4 (BJA)</u>: Plan, construct paved parking lot, roadway, and install security lighting at the correctional facility up to \$1 million also requiring a matching fund of 10% (ten percent) of total costs **Detention Center**; and
- 4. <u>Purpose Area #6 (OVW)</u>: Enhance responses to sexual assault, domestic violence up to \$900,000 **Tribal Prosecution Unit**.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby approves the budget development requesting a grant funding total for all projects costing up to \$3.4 million to pay for personnel salaries, benefits, equipment, supplies, and other resources to conduct the overall WMAT-CTAS Program's goals and objectives, including the Detention Center's matching funding, 10% of that project portion of total costs that will consist of in-kind contributions if awarded.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs Bernadette SantaMaria, Director of the Planning and Community Development Office to work in conjunction with the Grants and Contracts Office to monitor the "White Mountain Apache Tribe's DOJ-CTAS Program's" financial status and to submit a semi-annual progress report and to generally provide oversight for the administration of the CTAS grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that it hereby directs all relevant Tribal Departments to address the grant application requirements and that other agencies shall be identified as key partners, with their roles defined, and Letters of Support submitted in order to receive funding for this grant proposal.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that if an award is granted, it hereby accepts the funding in order to promote the goals and objectives mentioned herein, subject to the terms and conditions of the granting agency and review by the Legal Department.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that in the event that this Resolution conflicts with a prior Resolution or Policy, this Resolution shall govern.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Tribal Council of the White Mountain Apache Tribe that the Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice Chairman, is hereby authorized to execute any and all document necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was on <u>MAY 12, 2010</u> duly adopted by a vote of <u>TEN</u> for and <u>ZERO</u> 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), (c), (i), (j), (k) (s), (t), and (u) of the Constitution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe, 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 of the Tribal Council

Mariddie Craig, Secretary of the Tribal Council