

Fort Hall Fire & EMS Shoshone Bannock Tribes

May 10, 2024

The Honorable Mike Simpson 2084 Rayburn HOB Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Simpson,

On behalf of The Fort Hall Fire & EMS Department, I write in support of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes' Community Project Funding (CPF) request for the Shoshone-Bannock Tribal Health and Human Services Facility.

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Thank you for consideration of this important CPF request for the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes.

Sincerely,

Eric King Fire Chief

Fort Hall Fire Department



Shoshone-Bannock Tribes TRIBAL HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT THHS Administration

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Sincerely,

Travis Martin THHS Director

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES



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Indian Health Service Portland Area Office 1414 NW Northup St, Suite 800 Portland, OR 97209

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Dear Congressman Simpson,

On behalf of the Indian Health Service (IHS) Portland Area, covering the 43 Tribes of Idaho, Oregon, and Washington, I am writing to express my support of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes' Community Project Funding (CPF) request for the Shoshone-Bannock Tribal Health and Human Services Facility. This funding will allow for increased health services delivery and will assist in improving the health of the Tribes' underserved communities and vulnerable populations by ensuring access to comprehensive, culturally competent, and quality health care services.

The Shoshone-Bannock Tribal Health and Human Services (THHS) provides health and welfare services to the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes and members of federally recognized tribes in Southeastern Idaho. The Shoshone-Bannock THHS operates 11 different programs, including Community Health Services, the Diabetes Program, and the Social Services Child Welfare Program, under both P.L. 93-638 contracts and federal and tribal grants. The IHS Portland Area and the federally operated Ft. Hall IHS primary care clinic – the co-location of the proposed and the federally operated Ft. Hall IHS primary of collaborating with the Shoshone-Bannock Tribal Health and Human Services on a broad array of initiatives. I applaud THHS for their continued efforts to increase the medical services delivery capacity for the AI/AN community. Moreover, the IHS Portland Area remains committed to continuing our partnership with the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes in order to bring much needed primary care services to this vulnerable population.

The proposed new THHS Facility is a critically important project for the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes and will significantly improve health care services and access for the community. I therefore respectfully request your support for this CPF request. Thank you for consideration.

Sincerely,

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Travis Martin
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Re: Letter of Support for THHS facility funding

Dear Mr. Martin:

I am pleased to support the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes' request for facility funding. Shoshone-Bannock Tribal Health and Human Services (THHS) provides health and welfare services to the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes and members of federally recognized tribes in Southeastern Idaho. The services provided as a trust responsibility of the federal government under the Indian Self-Determination and Education Act are vital to the community.

Established in 1972, the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board (NPAIHB) is a non-profit tribal advisory organization serving the forty-three federally recognized tribes of Oregon, Washington, and Idaho. The NPAIHB houses the Northwest Tribal Epidemiology Center (EpiCenter), several health promotion disease prevention projects, and is active in Indian health policy. Additionally, NPAIHB has been a partner to the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes in healthcare advocacy for quality.

THHS is housed in eight separate buildings located across Fort Hall, Idaho. Current facilities do not meet the space needs to house employees and provide services, separation reduces continuity and access to care and is burdensome to patients. Finally, most of the current facilities were not built for their current use, so they do not adequately meet the needs to provide high-quality care to patients and clients. Therefore, THHS's proposed construction of a new THHS facility will help the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes' meet current and future programming needs to provide high-quality services, while reducing the access burden to patients and improving the quality of care. The new facility is proposed to be co-located with the federally operated Indian Health Service Not-tsoo Gahnee clinic to provide patients easy access to all services in one location.

Since ely,

Executive Director

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Dear Congressman Simpson,

On behalf of **The Fort Hall Police Department**, I write in support of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes' Community Project Funding (CPF) request for the Shoshone-Bannock Tribal Health and Human Services Facility.

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Sincerely,

Captain Tierre Johnson #202

Fort Hall Police Department

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