

SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

RESOLUTION NO. 05- 25

of the

SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBAL COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is the Governing Body of the Squaxin island Tribe, its members, its lands, its enterprises and its agencies by the authority of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Squaxin Island Tribe, as approved and adopted by the General Body and the Secretary of the Interior on July 8, 1965; and

WHEREAS, under the Constitution, Bylaws and inherent sovereignty of the Tribe, the Squaxin island Tribal Council is charged with the duty of protecting the health, security, education and general welfare of the tribal members, and with protecting and managing the lands and treaty resources and rights of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council has been entrusted with the creation of ordinances and resolutions in order to fulfill their duty of protecting the health, security, education, and general welfare of tribal members, and of protecting and managing the lands and treaty resources of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribe is a member of the South Puget Intertribal Planning Agency (SPIPA), an intertribal planning consortium established in 1979; and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is advised of the need to submit a proposal through SPIPA to the U. S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women for funding through the Transitional Housing Assistance Program to provide direct services such as housing, transportation, utilities and childcare for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence and stalking in our tribal communities as well as planning and seeking funds for long-term housing and assistance that is not reliant on grant funds. The project will not exceed 36-months with a funding request not to exceed \$175,000.

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby authorize SPIPA to prepare, submit, negotiate, execute and administer, with the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women a grant application for funding through the Transitional Housing Assistance Program on behalf of the Squaxin Island Tribe not to exceed 36-months and \$175,000.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chairman, Executive Director, or the Deputy Executive Director to be the Tribe's signatory and representative in all future matters requiring Tribal authorization on this particular project, and that these authorities shall be for the duration of this project.

CERTIFICATION

The Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was			
adopted at the regular meeting of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, held on this ///			
day of <u>Herrican</u> 2005, at which time a quorum was present and was passed			
by a vote of for and against with abstentions.			

Dave Lopeman, Chairman

Attested by:

Vince Henry Sr., Secretary

Andy Whitener, Vice Chairman

South Puget Intertribal Planning Agency

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Memorandum of Understanding Transitioning to Success-Intertribal Assistance Program

The majority of Native American victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence and stalking face challenges not encountered by victims living in urban areas. The geographic isolation and stronger social and cultural pressures in predominantly rural Native American communities significantly compound the problems confronted by victims seeking to escape violence. We deal daily with the lack of close and culturally acceptable emergency and transitional shelters. Due to our rural locations, there is little to no public transportation available for our victims, which causes grave barriers to obtaining services, seeking employment and meeting other needs. In addition to these problems, there is very little financial assistance available for victims trying to escape a dangerous domestic violence situation, be it in a crisis or transitioning phase.

WHEREAS, the South Puget Intertribal Planning Agency (SPIPA) and the Chehalis, Nisqually, Shoalwater Bay, Skokomish and Squaxin Island Tribes (TRIBES) continue to work together as a consortium in a collaborative effort to submit an application for the U. S. Department of Justice-Transitional Housing Assistance Grants Program; and

WHEREAS, the partners listed above have agreed to enter into a collaborative agreement in which SPIPA will be the lead agency and named applicant; and

WHEREAS, the partners herein desire to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding setting forth the services to be provided by the collaborative as well as the responsibilities of the individual partners; and

WHEREAS, the application prepared and approved by the collaborative through its partners is to be submitted to the Office of Justice Programs on or before February 17, 2005.

The TRIBES, their Tribal Courts, Tribal Law Enforcement, and Tribal Social Services Departments (including the Indian Child Welfare Workers, Child Protections Teams, and Tribal Domestic Violence Advocates), have worked closely with the SPIPA Social Services Department since the early 1990's. Jointly, they have sought to address the problems of family violence, domestic violence, child abuse, child victimization, sexual assault and child sexual abuse. When funded, the proposed "Transitioning to Success-Intertribal Assistance Program" will provide emergency/transitional housing, assistance with utility payments, transportation,



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SHOALWATER BAY INDIAN TRIBE P.O. BOX 130 TOKELAND, WA 98590 (360) 267-6766 childcare and other needed direct client services for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence and stalking. The overall goal of the project is to increase the minimal funds currently available for emergency and transitioning clients as well as plan and seek funding for long-term emergency/transitional housing and other services that will not be primarily reliant on grant funds.

In 2002, 2003 and 2004 staff from SPIPA and the TRIBES participated in the planning and preparation of a tribal specific scope of work for this type of proposal. The SPIPA Planning and Social Services Departments have prepared and submitted a project abstract and budget for Tribal staff and Tribal Council's review and approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby agreed by and between the partners as follows:

SPIPA and TRIBES' Roles and Responsibilities:

- 1. The partners agree to collaborate and provide funds, payment vouchers, merchant credits or other forms of financial assistance to victims of domestic violence related crimes who do not have access to adequate funds from other SPIPA and/or Tribal programs.
- 2. Provide services in a collaboration service area that includes the tribal service population area located in a seven county area in Washington State. The counties included in the tribal service population are primarily Mason, Pacific, Thurston, Pierce, Lewis, Kitasp and Grays Harbor.
- 3. Agree to work together as a consortium to plan and seek funding for long-term emergency/transitional housing and other services that will not be primarily reliant on grant funds.
- 4. Provide service in conjunction with other SPIPA and Tribal programs utilizing a multi-disciplinary approach (client and program).
- 5. Agree that by signing this document that each entity signifies approval of this collaboration including the proposed budget and responsibilities.

A) SPIPA WILL:

- 1. Hire-assign a 0.5 FTE Project Coordinator based at SPIPA to coordinate program, formulate/implement long-term plan, coordinate services between other SPIPA and Tribal programs to meet client needs, collect/maintain program data, authorize victim assistance requests, submit project reports, represent project/client at multidisciplinary team meetings (client or program), and other duties as assigned.
- 2. Will transition the program activities to the SPIPA Social Services Manager and Program Assistant in Year-3 of the grant in order to meet the DOJ funding requirement that limits budgeted salaries and benefits in Year-3 to 50 percent. SPIPA will provide the funding for 0.25 FTE for the Program Assistant. The Social Service Manager's time will be provided as in-kind throughout the three-year grant.
- 3. Will provide funds for emergency/transitional housing, transportation, utilities, job training/placement and other needs required by victims of domestic violence transitioning away from an abusive home as allowed per the grant contract, program processes and SPIPA/Tribal policies.

- 4. Will provide service in conjunction with other SPIPA and Tribal programs utilizing a multi-disciplinary approach (client and program).
- 5. Will coordinate any needed project planning efforts during first six months of the project.
- 6. Will process requests for assistance in a timely and accurate manner as required by program, SPIPA and DOJ guidelines and regulations on 24 hour-a-day/7 day-a-week basis as need for client support.
- 7. Provide assistance to a minimum of 75 victims and their families per year.
- 8. Work with Tribal and local community staff as a consortium to plan and seek funding for long-term emergency/transitional housing and other services that will not be primarily reliant on grant funds.
- 9. Provide funding and travel coordination for project staff participation at DOJ events as required by the contract.
- 10. Coordinate project data collection, reporting, and evaluation activities.
- 11. Prepare and submit reports as required by the contract in an accurate and timely fashion.
- 12. Provide project management, administration, contract compliance and fiscal services as required by the project and contract.

C) TRIBES WILL:

- 1. Provide assistance to the project staff and victims through tribal law enforcement, social services, court system and Tribal Councils.
- 2. Support the completion of program goals and objectives as detailed in the project application.
- 3. Work with Tribal and local community staff as a consortium to plan and seek funding for long-term emergency/transitional housing and other services that will not be primarily reliant on grant funds
- 4. Complete and submit requests for assistance in a timely and accurate manner as required by program process.
- 5. Will require staff to provide service in conjunction with other SPIPA and Tribal programs utilizing a multi-disciplinary approach (client and program).
- 6. Will ensure that program funds are not obligated without prior approval from the Project Coordinator or other authorized individual.

Signatures:		
Chehalis Tribe	CHAIRMAN Title	2/17/05 Date
Nisqually Tribe	AD MINISTRATUR Title	2/17/03 Date
Shoalwater Bay Tribe	Tille administrator	2-14-05 Date
Skokomish Tribe	Title	Date
Squaxin Island Tribe	Étecutiu . Title	2/16/05 Date
SPIPA Cincola T. Train	Title	Date