

TENTH LEGISLATURE
OF THE
CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES
REGULAR SESSION
APRIL 13, 2024
LCR, CONCHO, OK

RESOLUTION: A Resolution to Appropriate Funds to Expand Eligibility to Accept Additional Applicants for the Summer Youth Employment Program.

RESOLUTION NO: 10L-RS-2024-04-001

DATE INTRODUCED: March 4, 2024

SPONSOR: Travis Ruiz, Arapaho District 3

CO-SPONSOR:

SUBJECT: A Resolution to Appropriate Funds to Expand Eligibility to Accept Additional Applicants for the Summer Youth Employment Program.

WHEREAS: The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes are duly recognized by the United States Secretary of the Interior as a self-governing, Sovereign Nation, that is a federally recognized Indian Tribe with all rights, privileges, and powers attended thereto as a sovereign government under a constitution approved by the Secretary of Interior; and

WHEREAS: Article VI, Section 5(a) of the Constitution provides that the Legislative power shall be vested in the Legislature, which includes the powers to make laws and resolutions in accordance with the Constitution which are necessary and proper for the good of the Tribes; and

WHEREAS: Article VI, Section 5(d) of the Constitution authorizes the Legislature shall have the power to raise revenue and appropriate funds for expenditure; and

WHEREAS: Congress pass the American Rescue Plan Act (the “Act”) and was signed by President Joe Biden on March 11, 2021; and

WHEREAS: The Final Rule of the Act allows Tribal governments to declare a portion of its allocation as “Revenue Loss Funds” which can be used for tribal government services; and

WHEREAS: The Tenth Legislature of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes is aware of the importance of ensuring that Tribal Members are provided an opportunity to receive services offered by the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes; and

WHEREAS: The current eligibility requirements for the D.R.E.A.M.S Summer Youth Employment Program are as follows:

- **Applicant must reside in the DREAMS Program service area;**
- **Must be between the ages 14-24 before June 3, 2024;**
- **Applicant must be able to participate for the entire program (8 weeks) and attend all work readiness training events;**
- **Family income must not exceed 2023 Federal Poverty Guidelines and/or youth have a barrier to employment and education.**

WHEREAS: The Tenth Legislature of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes acknowledges the needs of the D.R.E.A.M.S program for additional funds to accept applicants who exceed the income threshold by up to 1.5x the 2023 Federal Poverty Guidelines, for the Summer Youth Employment Program; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Tenth Legislature of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, pursuant to its Constitutional authority, hereby appropriates \$100,000 of “Revenue Loss Funds” to the D.R.E.A.M.S Summer Youth Employment Program to provide funding to accept applicants who exceed the 2023 Federal Poverty Guidelines. Any funds not awarded by the end of FY 2024 shall be returned to the Treasury for subsequent Legislative appropriation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Labor shall set the eligibility criteria to be consistent with the current eligibility criteria except that the D.R.E.A.M.S Summer Youth Employment Program may utilize the money appropriated by this resolution to accept applicants whose Family income threshold exceeds the 2023 Federal Poverty Guidelines or do not have a barrier to employment and education.

Kendricks Sleeper
Speaker of the Tenth Legislature
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes



ATTEST:

I, Jodi White Buffalo, Legislative Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing is a True and Accurate Copy of the Original Bill No. 10L-RS-2024-04-001 which was acted upon by the Legislature of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes in the Ninth Legislature Regular Session, by a roll call vote on the 13th day of April 2024, by a vote.

VOTE RECORD:

DISTRICT	LEGISLATOR	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
A1	Diane Willis				
A2	Kendricks Sleeper				
A3	Travis Ruiz				
A4	Rector Candy				
C1	Bruce Whiteman, Jr.				
C2	George Woods				
C3	Thomas Trout				
C4	Byron Byrd				
TOTAL					
Passes () Fails () Tabled () Allowed to Die () No Action ()					

Jodi White Buffalo, Legislative Clerk
Tenth Legislature, Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes



ATTEST:

Pursuant to Article VI, Section 7, subsection (a)(iv) of the Tribes Constitution reads in part: “All Bills passed by the Legislature shall be presented to the Governor for signature or veto. All laws shall take effect thirty days after signature by the Governor or veto override by the Legislature unless any Member of the Tribes submits to the Coordinator of the Office of Tribal Council a petition signed by at least one hundred fifty Members of the Tribal Council seeking to repeal the law or resolution at the next Tribal Council meeting. If the Tribal Council fails to repeal such law or resolution at the next Tribal Council where the matter has been properly placed on the agenda for the Tribal Council meeting, such law or resolution shall become effective immediately.”

Pursuant to Article VII, Section 4, subsection (g) of the Tribes Constitution reads: “The Governor shall have the power to sign any enactment passed by the Legislature into law or to veto any enactment passed by the Legislature within ten days of passage with a written explanation of any objections; and if the Governor takes no action within ten days, then the enactment shall become law in accordance with this Constitution.”

{ } APPROVED

{ } VETOED: Attachment ____; Governor’s written explanation of any objections.

On the _____ day of _____, 2024.

Reggie Wassana, Governor
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes



TRANSMITTAL OF DOCUMENTS:
From the Legislative Branch to the Office of Records Management

ATTEST:

Pursuant to Article VI, Section 7, subsection (a)(v), of the Tribes Constitution reads, “The Office of Records Management shall compile all Laws and Resolutions into a comprehensive Code in an orderly manner that shall be published annually.”

Office of Records Management Staff, hereby certify that the foregoing is a True and Accurate Original Resolution No. 10L-RS-2024-04-001.

Space below is reserved for Stamp:

Received (Date) Office of Record Management

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Office of Records Management
Department of Administration, Executive Branch
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes

