

Policy 7.01 Implementation Plan/Progress Report

The Shoalwater Indian Nation and the Aberdeen Community Service Office/South Bend Community Service Office

2011-12 Annual Plan and Progress Report

Fiscal Year Timeframe: July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012

Annual Due Date: April 2 (Submit Regional Plan to the Assistant Secretary) and April 30 (submit Assistant Secretary's Plan to OIP).

Implementation Plan

Progress Report

Goals/Objectives

Prepare and disseminate pertinent statistics on American Indian community and participant populations, numbers of American Indian participants served and other relevant data.

Activities

Shoalwater Tribal members
 Receive those services for which they are eligible from the Aberdeen or South Bend Community Service Office;

 CSO staff will question clients regarding Tribal affiliation and review and update coding as necessary when American Indian clients apply for benefits and/or at the time of their eligibility review;

Expected Outcome

To coordinate appropriate service delivery, case management and case transfers;

 Maintain a high degree of accuracy through constant monitoring of demographic data;

Lead Staff and Target Date

Shelba Marracci and Cathey McMurry: There is an on-going communication with the Shoalwater Tribe and the Leadworker, Cathey McMurry and Social Worker, Kevin McMurry, from South Bend.

 There is also communication from Shelba Marracci to Kathirine Horne as new information becomes available.

The following are the number of Shoalwater Tribal members coded for service through the Aberdeen or South Bend Community Service Office:

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Medical assistance: Households-8
 Individuals-24

General Assistance: **Households-0**

TANF: Households-4
 Individuals-13

Basic Food: **Households-16**
 Individuals-22

There is ongoing communication between the Shoalwater Indian Nation and the Aberdeen and South Bend CSO on the subject of "services provided";
Shelba Marracci and Cathey McMurry of DSHS have been

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| | | | Shoalwater Tribal Staff; | <p>working with Linda Kauzlarich on becoming a Community Partner in the online application process. Linda has given us a list of equipment that is needed for the clinic for the online applications and the request has been submitted and put on a list so when the budget allows, it can be considered. Cathey McMurry continues to communicate often with Shoalwater staff, working on ADATSA applications and other medical applications or issues. Staff from the Long Beach office are also referring applicants to the Shoalwater for treatment. The IP agents taking applications over the phones have the information for both treatment facilities so clients have options.</p> <p>Due to changes in TANF benefits and policy, the 60 month time limit is now being enforced. Kathirine Horne will be the contact person to see if any tribal parents nearing the 60 month time limits might qualify for an extension. This would mainly be regarding those who are addressing Family Violence or those who are working with Children's Administration to resolve child welfare that involves any child in dependency for the first time. The WorkFirst staff in South Bend will be informed of this agreement and will contact Kathirine if any tribal parents</p> |
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| | | | | near the 60 month limit. |
| <p>Goals and Objectives</p> <p>Work with the Tribe to determine the need for, negotiate and/or implement local Tribal-State agreements, protocols, MOU's, contracts, or processes.</p> <p>Ensure communication with tribal governments, landless tribes, and off reservation American Indian organizations for information sharing, consultation, joint planning, and problem solving;</p> | <p>Activities</p> <p>Identify needs of Shoalwater Nation Tribal Members and whether current programs and policies meet these needs.</p> <p>Identify outstanding issues/gaps in service and develop performance expectations, which can be implemented, monitored and evaluated;</p> | <p>Expected Outcome</p> <p>Identification of areas for process improvement;</p> <p>Improved service delivery to Tribal members;</p> | <p>Lead Staff and Target Date</p> <p>CSOA; Shelba Marracci Social Service Supervisor; Steve Hall Shoalwater Tribal staff; Tribal Community Worker; In process of filling</p> | <p>Progress</p> <p>Clear communication lines are in place and work well, via telephone calls, e-mail and Liaison contacts;</p> <p>The CSO Human Resources person electronically transmits contact lists (phone lists).</p> <p>A good Tribal, CSO relationship has developed as a result of frequent contacts and an excellent ongoing working relationship;</p> <p>There is concern that the South Bend office is on the list of offices proposed to be closed. There will be community meetings scheduled and Kathirine Horne will be notified of the location, date, and time of these meetings. It has also been suggested that statements made by the public be documented and Kathirine Horne has the name of a person who could do that for us.</p> |

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| <p>Train CSO staff on major principles of federal Indian law.</p> | <p>Present regular training to CSO staff on the major principles of Federal Indian Law;</p> | <p>Increased knowledge of the principles of Federal Indian Law creating a better understanding for individual staff as they serve Shoalwater Tribal Members;</p> | <p>Shoalwater Indian Tribe and Aberdeen and South Bend Community Service Office staff;</p> | <p>The last Government to government training took place at the Aberdeen CSO on May 23, 2006; the plan is to repeat as needed;</p> |
| <p>Goals and Objectives</p> <p>The Native American Tribal Liaisons' role in the Aberdeen Community Service Office is to maintain a positive and productive relationship with the Quinault Indian Nation;</p> | <p>Activities</p> <p>Tribal Visits;</p> <p>Home visits;</p> <p>Review of commodities;</p> <p>All other duties as appropriate to be</p> | <p>Expected Outcome</p> <p>Regular Tribal visits to assist Tribe and to facilitate information and communication between the Tribe and the Community Service Office;</p> <p>Home visits related to potential sanctions and Work First participation;</p> <p>Monthly reviews commodities against Basic Food to determine potential duplicates services;</p> <p>To fulfill Tribal needs that can be</p> | <p>Lead Staff and Target Date</p> <p>Tribal Community Worker; CSO Social Service Supervisor; Shoalwater Tribal staff;</p> | <p>Progress</p> <p>Update 2-11</p> <p>Aberdeen had received approval to hire a Tribal Liaison person to be shared between the Quinault and Shoalwater Tribes, but due to the hiring freeze, have not been able to fill this position.</p> <p>The Shoalwater staff continue to send the monthly commodities list and it is checked against our BF roles to make sure there are no duplicates. This list is also shared with the Long Beach staff as they</p> |

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