

RESOLUTION OF THE
NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' STANDING COMMITTEE
24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL -- Fourth Year, 2022

AN ACTION RELATING TO THE HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI'; SUPPORTING AND AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION OF AGING AND LONG TERM CARE SUPPORT TO APPLY FOR ELDER SERVICES FUNDING FROM THE ADMINISTRATION FOR COMMUNITY LIVING/ADMINISTRATION ON AGING OLDER AMERICANS ACT TITLE VI NUTRITION, SUPPORTIVE SERVICE, AND CAREGIVER GRANTS (PARTS A/B AND C); AND TO PARTICIPATION IN CYCLE VIII OF THE NATIONAL RESOURCES CENTER ON NATIVE AMERICANS AGING NEEDS ASSESSMENT TITLED "IDENTIFYING OUR NEEDS: A SURVEY OF ELDERS"

WHEREAS:

- A. The Navajo Nation is a federally recognized Tribe existing and acting pursuant to its inherent and retained sovereignty.
- B. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee, generally, is empowered to act in all matters that concern the health, safety, and well-being of the Navajo Nation and its members. The committee represents the Navajo Nation "at local, state and federal levels, in coordination with the President of the Navajo Nation and the Naabik'íyáti' Committee on proposed legislation, funding and other actions affecting health, environmental health, social services, education, veterans' services, employment, training and labor." 2 N.N.C. § 401(B) (7).
- C. DALTCS is applying for funding from the Administration for Community Living/Administration on Aging Older Americans Act Title VI grants.
- D. The Administration for Community Living endorses the National Resource Center on Native American Aging (NRCNAA) and its partnership with Tribal Nations to identify the needs of American Indian and Alaska Native elders nationwide via the need assessment, in which the NRCNAA and the Navajo Nation will assume the following responsibilities:

The NRCNAA will provide:

- 1. Needs assessment instruments, Assistance in sampling, Training of interviewers, Consultation with interviewers via email or telephone, Data entry and analysis, Data storage on a secure server, Production of tables and comparisons with national statistics; and,

The Navajo Nation will provide:

1. A Tribal Resolution documenting participation in the needs assessment, A count of elders, Interviewers or volunteers to conduct the survey, Interpretation of the results with local input, Development of recommendations for actions, Dissemination of the results to tribal leaders and health officials; and
2. Summary information from needs assessment along with a national comparison report that will be returned to the governing council and to the local contact person; and
3. Data sovereignty, confidentiality and safeguarding is of utmost importance; therefore, the information is collected anonymously, data is stored on a secure server for the life of the NRCNAA, and physical copies of the needs assessments will be stored within a locked storage cabinet at the University of North Dakota (UND) School of Medicine & Health Sciences for a period of ten years as outlined in the UND's Records and Retention Schedule.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,

- A. The Navajo Nation supports the application for funding from the Administration for Community Living/Administration on Aging Older Americans Act Title VI grants (Parts A/B and C) for the grant period of April 1, 2023 March 31, 2026.
- B. Additionally, the Navajo Nation Council authorizes participation in the "Identifying Our Needs: A Survey of Elders" needs assessment and grants permission to the National Resource Center on Native American Aging to use all collected needs assessment information in an aggregate format for disseminating state, regional, and national results from analyses of the data.
- C. Specific information collected within the boundaries of the Navajo Nation belongs to the Navajo Nation and may not be released in any form to individuals, agencies, or organizations without additional tribal authorization.

CERTIFICATION

I, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Naabik'íyáti' Committee of the 24th Navajo Nation Council at a duly called meeting in Window Rock, Navajo Nation (Arizona), at which a quorum was present and that the same was passed by a vote of 18 in Favor, and 00 Opposed, on this 13th day of October 2022.



Honorable Seth Damon, Chairman
Naabik'íyáti' Committee

10-18-2022
Date

Motion: Honorable Raymond Smith, Jr.

Second: Honorable Eugene Tso

Chairman Seth Damon not voting

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10/13/2022

Naa'bik'iyati' Committee Regular Meeting

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Amd# to Amd#	Legislation 0160-22: Supporting	PASSED
MOT Smith	and Authorizing the Division of	
SEC Tso, E	Aging and Long Term Care Support	
	to Apply for Elder Services....	

Yeas : 18

Nays : 0

Excused : 2

Not Voting : 3

Yea : 18

Begay, K	Freeland, M	Smith	Tso, E
Begay, P	Halona, P	Stewart, W	Tso, O
Brown	Henio, J	Tso, C	Walker, T
Crotty	James, V	Tso, D	Yazzie
Daniels	Slater, C		

Nay : 0

Excused : 2

Nez, R	Charles-Newton
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Not Voting : 3

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Presiding Speaker: Damon