

RESOLUTION OF THE  
HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE  
of the 25th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL - FIRST YEAR, 2023

AN ACTION  
RELATING TO THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE;  
APPROVING AND RECOMMENDING TO THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE  
THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET FOR THE DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES  
AND RELATED MATTERS, TO BE INCLUDED IN THE NAVAJO NATION'S  
FY2024 COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET

BE IT ENACTED:

SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY

- A. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee ("HEHSC") is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council with oversight authority of the Navajo Nation Division of Social Services ("DSS"). 2 N.N.C. §400(A); 2 N.N.C. §401(C)(1).
- B. Each Oversight Committee, including the Health, Education and Human Services Committee, shall review and make recommendations regarding the programs under its oversight responsibility, for the Navajo Nation's Comprehensive Budget for the upcoming Fiscal Year. 12 N.N.C. §840(A).

SECTION TWO. FINDINGS

- A. Pursuant to 12 N.N.C. §840(A), each Oversight Committee, including the Health, Education and Human Services Committee, "shall review and make recommendations to the Budget and Finance Committee concerning the budget[s]" for the Programs they oversee. 12 N.N.C. §840(A) further provides that Oversight Committee recommendations shall not exceed the base planning amounts established in the FY2024 Budget Instructions Manual. The base planning amounts were established by the Budget and Finance Committee in Resolution BFJY-15-23.
- B. In accordance with 12 N.N.C. §840(A), the Health, Education and Human Services Committee held public meetings and heard reports from Program staff and the Office of Management and Budget regarding the proposed FY2024 Budget for the Division of Social Services.
- C. During these budget meetings, the Health, Education and Human Services Committee reviewed and considered the proposed FY2024 Budget for the Division of Social Services, as compared to the

base planning amounts approved by the Budget and Finance Committee in Resolution BFJY-15-23.

- D. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee finds that approval of the proposed FY2024 Budget for the Division of Social Services and inclusion of such Budget in the Navajo Nation's FY2024 Comprehensive Budget is in the best interest of the Navajo Nation.

**SECTION THREE. APPROVING AND RECOMMENDING TO THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES AND RELATED MATTERS**

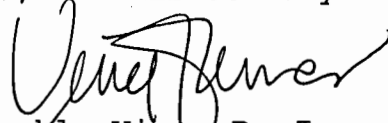
- A. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee hereby approves the FY2024 Budget for the Division of Social Services, as detailed in the "Fund Type Budget Summary" attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.
- B. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee hereby approves certain revisions to the Branch Chiefs' proposed FY2024 Budget amount for the Division of Social Services, as shown in Columns D and E in the "General Fund Comparative Summary" attached hereto as **Exhibit B**.
- C. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee recommends the changes to the General Fund Budget described in **Exhibit C**.
- D. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee recommends certain Conditions of Appropriation and Legislative Concerns, as listed in **Exhibit D**.
- E. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee recommends that certain Unmet Needs for the Division of Social Services be included in the FY2024 Comprehensive Budget, as explained in **Exhibit E**.
- F. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee hereby recommends that the Budget and Finance Committee approve the Division of Social Services FY2024 Budget and all Committee recommendations, as set forth in **Exhibits A - E**.
- G. As necessary and appropriate, the Health, Education and Human Services Committee hereby authorizes the Chair and Vice-Chair to negotiate the Health, Education and Human Services Committee recommendations herein with the Budget and Finance Committee.

SECTION FOUR. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Action shall become effective as provided in 2 N.N.C. §189(A).

CERTIFICATION

I, hereby, certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Health, Education and Human Services Committee 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 4 in Favor, and 0 Opposed, on this 8th day of August 2023.



Honorable Vince R. James, Chairperson  
Health, Education and Human Services Committee  
25th Navajo Nation Council

Motion by: Andy Nez  
Second by: Helena Nez Begay

Vince R. James, Chairperson not voting

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Fund Type Budget Summary

| Branch:              |                                  | Executive Branch            |                              | Division/Office: Division/Office: Division of Social Services |                      |                           |                  |                |                                 |                                 |           |
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| Business Unit Number | Program Title                    | FY 2023 General Fund Budget | Proposed General Fund Budget | Indirect Cost Fund                                            | Personnel Lapse Fund | External Funds Cash Match | Proprietary Fund | Fiduciary Fund | Special Revenue Fund - Internal | Special Revenue Fund - External | Total     |
| FY 2024              |                                  |                             |                              |                                                               |                      |                           |                  |                |                                 |                                 |           |
| 117001               | Office of the Executive Director | 1,660,103                   | 1,547,181                    | 290,560                                                       |                      |                           |                  |                |                                 |                                 | 1,837,741 |
| 117008               | School Clothing Program          | 1,295,663                   | 1,155,626                    |                                                               |                      |                           |                  |                |                                 |                                 | 1,155,626 |
| 117010               | Chinle Day Care Center           |                             |                              |                                                               |                      |                           | 5,000            |                |                                 |                                 | 5,000     |
| 117011               | Ft. Defiance Day Care Center     |                             |                              |                                                               |                      |                           | 36,000           |                |                                 |                                 | 36,000    |
| 117012               | Shiprock Day Care Center         |                             |                              |                                                               |                      |                           | 5,000            |                |                                 |                                 | 5,000     |
| 117022               | Department of Family Services    | 1,667,289                   | 1,437,570                    |                                                               |                      |                           |                  |                |                                 |                                 | 1,437,570 |
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| Total:               |                                  | 4,623,055                   | 4,140,377                    | 290,560                                                       |                      | 0                         | 46,000           | 0              | 0                               | 0                               | 4,476,937 |





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EXHIBIT D

Recommended Conditions of Appropriations and Legislative Concerns

| Branch:              |                                 | Executive Branch                                                                            | Division/Office: | Division of Social Services |
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| Business Unit Number | Program Title                   | Brief Narrative of Recommended Condition of Appropriation (COA) or Legislative Concern (LC) |                  |                             |
| 117001               | Office of the Executive Directo |                                                                                             |                  |                             |
| 117008               | School Clothing Program         |                                                                                             |                  |                             |
| 117010               | Chinle Day Care Center          |                                                                                             |                  |                             |
| 117011               | Ft. Defiance Day Care Center    |                                                                                             |                  |                             |
| 117012               | Shiprock Day Care Center        |                                                                                             |                  |                             |
| 117022               | Department of Family Services   |                                                                                             |                  |                             |
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## Recommended Unmet Needs Budgets

| Branch:              |                                  | Executive Branch     | Division/Office:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |  | Division of Social Services |  |
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| Business Unit Number | Program Title                    | Amount of Unmet Need | Explanation of Recommended UNMET NEEDS to the FY 2024 General Fund Budget                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |                             |  |
| 117001               | Office of the Executive Director | 500,000              | Dine Action Plan was approved on 9/30/21, NNC resolution CS-21-21 unfunded. This Dine Action Plan serves as a roadmap for internal and external stakeholders to address public safety and social program that are culturally appropriate. The plan is intended to address domestic violence, substance use, suicide, human trafficking and missing or murdered indigenous people.        |  |                             |  |
| 117008               | School Clothing Program          | 3,000,000            | School Clothing Program provides financial benefits for school age Navajo children to purchase school clothing and supplies of their choice to promote school attendance, encourage academic performance and support self-confidence. FY 23, over 20,000 applications and we were unable to serve all students. Additional funds requested to serve 15,000 students x \$200 per student. |  |                             |  |
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| TOTAL:               |                                  | 3,500,000            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |  |                             |  |



**HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**  
**Special Budget Meeting**  
**August 8, 2023**

**Legislation No. 0175-23:** An Action Relating to the Health, Education and Human Services Committee; Approving and Recommending the Budget and Finance Committee the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget for the Division of Social Services and Related Matters, to be Included in the Navajo Nation's FY2024 Comprehensive Budget

**Sponsor: Delegate Vince R. James    Co-Sponsor: Delegate Dr. Andy Nez**

**VOTE TALLY:**

**Main Motion:**

Motion:        Honorable Andy Nez  
Second:        Honorable Helena Nez Begay

Yea:            Helena Nez Begay, Andy Nez; Germaine Simonson: George Tolth

Nay:

Not Voting:    Vince R. James (Presiding Chairperson)

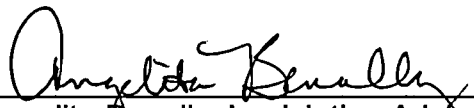
Excused:

Absent:        Curtis Yanito

Vote:           4-0-2



Honorable Vince R. James, Chairperson  
Health, Education and Human Services Committee  
25<sup>th</sup> Navajo Nation Council



Angelita Benally, Legislative Advisor  
Health, Education and Human Services Committee  
Office of Legislative Services