

RESOLUTION OF THE
NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE
23rd NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL -- Fourth Year, 2018

AN ACTION

RELATING TO HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES; OPPOSING THE PROPOSED PLANS OF THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION TO ELIMINATE FUNDING FOR NUMEROUS EDUCATION RELATED PROGRAMS INCLUDING THE HIGHER EDUCATION GRANT PROGRAM

Whereas:

- A. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee (HEHSC) is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council. The Committee is empowered to review and recommend resolutions regarding certain matters, including health, education and social services. 2 N.N.C. §§ 164 (A)(9), 400 (A), 401 (B)(6)(a) (2012); see also CO-45-12.
- B. The Naabik'íyáti' Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council. Among other duties and responsibilities, it "coordinate[s] all federal, county and state programs with other standing committees and branches of the Navajo Nation government to provide the most efficient delivery of services to the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. § 701(A)(4).
- C. The Trump Administration is proposing budget cuts to Post-Secondary programs in the amount of \$42 million including elimination of all funds in Scholarship and Adult Education. See **Exhibit A**.
- D. The Navajo Nation receives approximately \$11 million of scholarship and adult education funds, the rest being distributed to other tribes.
- E. Twenty-eight (28) positions within the Navajo Scholarship Office would be eliminated under these proposed budget cuts. The Navajo Nation would have to fully fund any continuation of the Scholarship Office under these reductions.
- F. Other proposed cuts and eliminations include Special Higher Education Scholarships at \$2,972,000; Science Post Graduate Scholarship Funds at \$2,433,000; Johnson O'Malley at \$14,678 TPA funding. See **Exhibit A**.

- G. The Navajo Nation finds it to be in the best interest of the students and families of the Nation to oppose these proposed cuts in education as found at **Exhibit A**.
- H. The Navajo Nation finds it to be in the best interest of the Diné to direct that the President of the Navajo Nation, the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council and the Navajo Nation Washington Office coordinate their efforts in opposing the implementation of these proposed budget cuts.

Therefore, Be It Resolved:

- A. The Navajo Nation hereby opposes the proposed budget cuts by the Trump administration in these areas of education as found at **Exhibit A**.
- B. The Navajo Nation hereby directs the President of the Navajo Nation, the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council and the Navajo Nation Washington Office to coordinate their efforts in opposing the implementation of these proposed budget cuts.

CERTIFICATION

I, hereby, certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Naabik'iyáti' Committee of the 23rd 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 12 in Favor, and 00 Opposed, on this 13th day of September 2018.



LoRenzo C. Bates, Chairman
Naabik'iyáti' Committee

Motioned: Honorable Davis Filfred
Second : Honorable Lee Jack, Sr.

Chairman LoRenzo C. Bates not voting

Fwd: Trump Administration Proposes to Eliminate 638 Funding for Scholarships



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Fri 5/4/2018 2:16 PM

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-----Original Message-----

From: atuie-request@list.arizona.edu <atuie-request@list.arizona.edu> On Behalf Of Carolyn Calvin

Sent: Friday, May 4, 2018 1:30 PM

To: ATUIE@list.arizona.edu

Subject: [atuie] Trump Administration Proposes to Eliminate 638 Funding for Scholarships

The Office of Navajo Nation Scholarship and Financial Assistance distributed the attached press release today. Please forward to appropriate officials. It is about the Trump administration's proposal to eliminate funding for several education-related programs including the Higher Education Grant Program.

- Thousands of undergraduate scholarships would be lost as federal funds are the primary source for these awards.

- Twenty-eight positions within the Navajo scholarship office would be eliminated as P.L. 93-638 funds are used for personnel and operating costs.
- The Navajo Nation would have to fully fund any effort to continue the scholarship office and serve the thousands of students who apply for scholarships annually.
- Also, thousands of students would be without aid from Johnson O Malley programs.
- Major cuts also are proposed for tribal colleges and universities.

The ONNSFA budget is within Post-Secondary Programs. (I've attached a table summarizing the Trump administration's proposed budget.) Overall, proposed cuts to Post-Secondary programs are \$42,606,000 with elimination of all funds in Scholarship and Adult Education. Cuts to Scholarship and Adult Education amount to \$34,547,000. The Navajo Nation receives about \$11 million of scholarship and adult education funds and the rest goes to other tribes. Other budget eliminations include: Special Higher Education Scholarships -\$2,972,000. The American Indian Graduate Center administers these funds; and Science Post Graduate Scholarship Funds -\$2,433,000 and Johnson O'Malley \$14,678 TPA funding.

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MOT Filfred
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the Proposed Plans of the Trump
Administration to Eliminate
Funding for Numerous Education..

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