

**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET**

Tracking No. 0325-18

**DATE:** October 3, 2018

**SUBJECT:** AN ACTION RELATING TO BUDGET AND FINANCE, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT, AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES, AND NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE SHONTO YOUTH CENTER FUND EXPENDITURE PLAN PURSUANT 12 N.N.C §§ 2501 – 2508

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this legislation is to approve funding from the Síhasin Fund for the Shonto Youth Center.

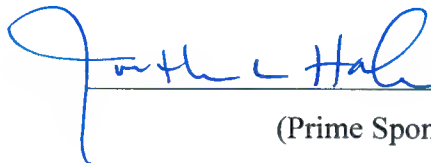
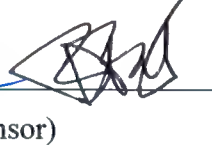
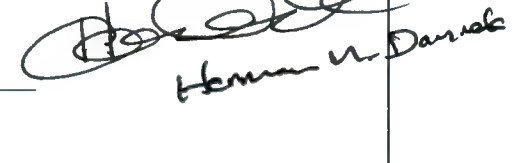
**This written summary does not address recommended amendments as may be provided by the standing committees. The Office of Legislative Counsel requests each Council Delegate review the proposed resolution in detail.**

5-DAY BILL HOLD PERIOD:                       
Website Posting Time/Date: 7:21am 10/31/18  
Posting End Date: 10-08-18  
Eligible for Action: 10-09-18

Budget & Finance Committee  
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Resources & Development Committee  
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Naa'bik'iyáti' Committee  
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Navajo Nation Council

PROPOSED NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL RESOLUTION  
23<sup>rd</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL – Fourth Year, 2018

INTRODUCED BY

    
(Prime Sponsor)

TRACKING NO. 0325-18

AN ACTION

RELATING TO BUDGET AND FINANCE, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT,  
AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES, AND NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL;  
APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE SHONTO YOUTH CENTER FUND  
EXPENDITURE PLAN PURSUANT 12 N.N.C §§ 2501 – 2508

BE IT ENACTED:

**Section One. Authority**

- A. The Navajo Nation Council is the governing body of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. § 102 (A).
- B. The Naabik'iyati' Committee of the Navajo Nation Council is empowered to review all proposed legislation which requires final action by the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. §164(A)(9).
- C. The Budget and Finance Committee of the Navajo Nation Council is empowered to review and recommend to the Navajo Nation Council the budgeting, appropriation, investment, and management of all funds. 2 N.N.C. § 301 (B) (2).
- D. The Resources and Development Committee of the Navajo Nation Council has oversight of the chapters of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. §501 (C)(1).

1 E. The Naabik'íyáti' Committee established the Naabik'íyáti' Síhasin Fund  
2 Subcommittee to recommend to the Naabik'íyáti' Committee and Navajo Nation  
3 Council financial support and/or financing plan(s) for the purposes designated in the  
4 Síhasin Fund. NABIAP-20-15. However, approval by the Naabik'íyáti' Síhasin  
5 Fund Subcommittee is not a requirement for legislation.

6 F. The Navajo Nation Code provides the purpose of the Navajo Nation Síhasin Fund  
7 ("Síhasin Fund") is as follows:

8 § 2502 Purpose

9 A. The purposes of this Fund are to provide financial support and/or  
10 financing for:

11 1. The planning and development of economic development  
12 and regional infrastructure supporting economic  
13 development, and community development, including such  
14 infrastructure as, but not limited to, housing, commercial  
15 and government buildings, waterline, solid waste  
16 management development, powerline projects, and  
17 transportation and communication systems, within the  
18 Navajo Nation; and

19 2. Education opportunities for members of the Navajo  
20 Nation.

21 B. For the Purpose in § 2502(A)(1), Fund expenditures for  
22 infrastructure shall not be limited by 12 NNC § 1310(F) or  
23 TCDCJY-77-99.

24 C. Leveraging the Fund by way of guaranteeing loans, match  
25 funding, direct funding in part, and other weighted uses of the  
26 Fund, including loan financing from the Fund, for the purposes  
27 in § 2502(A)(1), shall be favored over direct funding in whole.

28 12 N.N.C. § 2502, as amended by CJA-03-18.

29 G. The Síhasin Fund provides that "Fund Principal" shall consist of all deposits made  
30 to the Síhasin Fund and that "Fund Income" shall consist of all earnings (interest,

dividends, etc.) generated and realized by the Fund Principal, and that Fund Income shall be deposited in and added to Fund Principal until such time as a Fund Expenditure Plan is duly adopted. 12 N.N.C. §§ 2504 and 2505 (C).

## **Section Two. Findings**

- A. The Shonto Youth Center project is detailed in **Exhibits A and B**.
- B. A project summary and an architectural design schematic are attached as **Exhibit A**.
- C. A budget and project process schedule are attached as **Exhibit B**.
- D. Shonto Chapter Governance has passed a resolution in support of this project. This resolution is attached as **Exhibit C**. Letters of support for the Shonto Yoputh Center are attached as **Exhibit D**.

## **Section Three. Approval and Adoption of Expenditure Plan**

- A. The Navajo Nation hereby approves and adopts the Shonto Youth Center Expenditure Plan, attached and incorporated herein as **Exhibits A and B**.
- B. The Navajo Nation hereby approves and adopts funding to the Shonto Chapter Governance the total amount of nine million, five hundred sixty-five thousand dollars (\$9,565,000.00) to construct the Shonto Youth Center as detailed in **Exhibits A and B**.
- C. The Síhasin Funds allocated for the Síhasin Fund Shonto Youth Center Expenditure Plan may be further leveraged by bond or loan financing pursuant to the Navajo Nation Bond Financing Act, 12 N.N.C. § 1300 *et seq.*, as amended, using Síhasin Fund earnings for repayment and financing costs upon the recommendation of the Budget and Finance Committee and approval by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of all members of the Navajo Nation Council.

## **Section Four. Approval and Adoption of Expenditure Plan Administration**

The Navajo Nation hereby approves administration of the Síhasin Fund Shonto Youth Center Expenditure Plan as follows:

- 1        1. The Navajo Nation Controller shall determine whether the source of the annual  
2        allocations from the total allocation of \$9,565,000.00 will be Síhasin Fund  
3        Principal or Income or a combination of both;
- 4        2. The funding to the Shonto Chapter Governance shall be distributed by the end of  
5        the first quarter of the respective Navajo Nation Fiscal Year;
- 6        3. The funds allocated for the Shonto Youth Center shall be used solely to design,  
7        plan, and construct the Shonto Youth Center described in **Exhibits A and B**.  
8        Any and all cost-savings shall be returned to the to the Síhasin Fund once the  
9        Shonto Youth Center is completed; and
- 10       4. The funds allocated for the Shonto Youth Center shall not lapse on an annual  
11       basis pursuant to 12 N.N.C. §820 (N), however, any funds not spent or  
12       encumbered within twenty-four (24) months of the date funds are made  
13       available to the Shonto Chapter shall revert to the Síhasin Fund principal, unless  
14       recommended otherwise by the Resources and Development Committee and  
15       approved by the Naabik'íyáti' Committee.

#### 16 17    **Section Five. Effective Date**

18       The Síhasin Fund Shonto Youth Center Expenditure Plan, as set forth above, shall  
19       become effective pursuant to 12 N.N.C. § 2505.

#### 20 21    **Section Six. Directives**

22       The Shonto Chapter Governance and the Office of Dine Youth shall report the status  
23       of the Shonto Community Youth Center to the Division of Community Development  
24       and the Naabik'íyáti Committee a least once per quarter after the initial disbursement  
25       of funds.



## ABSTRACT

The Shonto Community Governance is requesting Sihasin funds in the amount for construction costs of the Shonto Youth Center Project in the amount of \$9,565,000.00.

## SUMMARY

The Shonto Community Governance (Chapter) is located in Shonto, Arizona, approximately 60 miles East of Page off of Highway 98, and 35 miles Southeast of Kayenta on US Highway 160. Shonto Community Governance is a LGA certified chapter since September 22, 1999. According to the 2010 Census, Shonto has a population of 2,124, of which 584 fall in the ages 5-19 years old.

Shonto Community Governance has made progress in collaborating with various entities to develop the project proposal for the Shonto Youth Center. Local and surrounding communities believe that the center will be greatly beneficial for youths and their families in providing an accessible facility which will also promote a safe and healthy environment. Furthermore, it will be a local resource center in providing prevention services for youths such as bullying, criminal activity involvement, and other social ills. Therefore, in conjunction with Naa'tsis'Aan, Oljato, Ts'ah Bii Kin, and Shonto, as well as schools, social behavioral departments, judicial systems and law enforcement, this Shonto Youth Center project was deemed a priority and a need.

The facility is 9,687 sq. ft. and will be located near the school campus in Shonto, Arizona. The facility will include a learning area (computer room, library), multi-use rooms, and an exercise room with additional floor space.

Shonto is moving forward with the concept of community development and in doing so, the community is becoming self-sustainable. Currently, Shonto Community Governance has multiple projects planned for the upcoming years which will benefit many in the process.

## CONCLUSION

Thus, the importance of such a project which will greatly benefit youths and their families is one step closer to decreasing juvenile delinquency while increasing a sense of safety and confidence. It has always been an issue that our youths are our greatest assets and should be carefully lead through life by teaching them values, Ke' and responsibility.

  
Robert Black, Jr. Chapter Manager  
Shonto Community Governance

10-3-2018  
Date

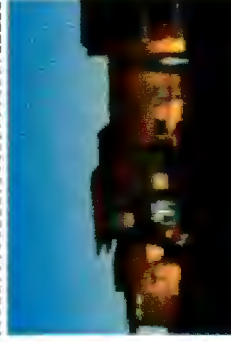
# SHONTO YOUTH CENTER

## PHASE I



### Building Facilities

- Teen Center & WiFi Library
- Fitness Center, Aerobics & Yoga Room
- Locker & Shower Facilities
- Leasable Terrace Space



## SHONTO

Public Services Building

**THE NAVAJO NATION  
PROJECT BUDGET SUMMARY**

PROJECT FORM 1

<b>PART I</b>		Business Unit No.: <u>      New      </u>	Project Title: <u>Shonto Youth Center</u>
		Division/Branch: <u>Shonto</u>	Chapter: <u>Shonto</u> Agency: <u>Western</u>
		Prepared By: <u>Robert Black, Jr. Chapter Manager</u>	Phone No.: <u>928-672-2910</u>

<b>PART II</b>	Check one: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Revision <input type="checkbox"/> Reallocation <input type="checkbox"/> Modification
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Project Funds/Source(s)	Appropriation End Date	Amount	% of Total
SIHASIN	*6/30/2020	9,565,000.00	
<b>TOTAL:</b>		9,565,000.00	

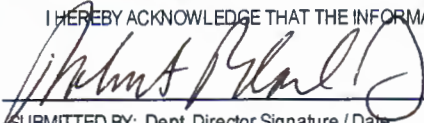
  

<b>PART III. Budget at LOD 4</b>	<b>Amount</b>
9000-Sihasin	9,565,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	9,565,000.00

<b>PART IV. Project Information</b>	
Project Type: <u>New Construction</u>	
Planned Start Date: <u>*11/01/2018</u>	
Planned End Date: <u>*6/30/2020</u>	
Project Manager: <u>Robert Black, Jr. Chapter Manager</u>	
<b>FOR OMB USE ONLY</b>	
Resolution No.: _____	
FMIS Set Up Date: _____	
Company No.: _____	
OMB Analyst: _____	

<b>PART V. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:</b>	
I HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE INFORMATION CONTAINED ON THIS FORM IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE.	
	<u>10/3/2018</u>
SUBMITTED BY: Dept. Director Signature / Date	VERIFIED BY: Div. Director Signature / Date



## PROJECT PROCESS SCHEDULE

## PROJECT FORM 2

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**THE NAVAJO NATION  
PROJECT BUDGET AND JUSTIFICATION**

Page 3 of 3  
PROJECT FORM 3

<b>PART I.</b> Business Unit No.: <u>New</u> Project Title: <u>Shonto Youth Center Project</u>				
<b>PART II.</b>				
(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)
Fund Source Code	Object Code (LOD 4)	Object Code (LOD 6)	Object Code Description (LOD 7) & Justification	Budget TOTAL
2	9000	9050	Building Construction activity of Shonto Youth Center.	9,065,000
2	9000	9070	CAP-Professional Tech Services Architectural & design services of the Shonto Youth Center Project & other technical services.	500,000
<b>PAGE TOTAL:</b>				<b>\$9,565,000.00</b>

**THE NAVAJO NATION  
SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING PROPOSAL SUMMARY**

PART I. Business Unit No.: <u>New</u>	Program Title: <u>Shonto Youth Center</u>
Division/Branch: <u>Chapter-Legislative Branch</u>	Amount Requested: <u>\$9,565,000.00</u> Phone No.: <u>928-672-2910</u>
Prepared By: <u>Robert Black, Jr. Chapter Manager</u>	Email Address: <u><a href="mailto:rblack@navajochapters.org">rblack@navajochapters.org</a></u>

**PART II. REASON FOR REQUEST AND STATEMENT OF NEED:**

The Shonto Community Governance is respectfully requesting funding for construction costs of the Shonto Youth Center Project in the amount of \$9,565,000.00. The total general contractor bid was \$9,565,000.00.

**PART III. CONTINGENCY PLAN IF REQUEST IS NOT FUNDED:**

Shonto Community Governance's contingency plan is to seek matching funds through the Legislative Branch - Sihasin Funds. SCG does not intend to lose the possibility of a worthwhile program facility which will greatly benefit the youths and their families.

**PART IV. ALTERNATIVE FUNDING SOURCES BEING PURSUED:**

Shonto Community Governance is seeking funding sources through the Legislative Branch - Sihasin Funds for construction costs and possibly furniture costs. The exercise equipment cost estimates will be requested of Special Diabetes Project to consider funding. SCG is also contributing construction costs regarding A&E to commence project.

**PART V. AFFIRMATION IS PROVIDED THAT THE PROPOSAL INFORMATION IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE AND THE APPROPRIATE BRANCH CHIEF RECOMMENDS APPROVAL.**

  
REVIEWED BY: Division Director's Signature / Date

RECOMMEND APPROVAL: Branch Chief's Signature / Date

**PART I.** Business Unit No:

**Program Title:** Shonto

Division/Branch: Shonto Chapter

Prepared By:

Robert Black Jr., Chapter Manager

Phone No.:

(928) 672-2910

PART II. FUNDING SOURCE(S):	Fiscal Year Term	Amount:	% of Total:
Sihasin	2019	9,565,000	100.0%
	TOTAL:	9,565,000	100%

PART III. BUDGET SUMMARY				
	(A)	(B)	(C)	
	Fund Type Code	NNC Approved Original Budget	Proposed Budget	Difference
2001 Personnel Expenses				0
3000 Travel Expenses				0
3500 Meeting Expenses				0
4000 Supplies				0
5000 Lease & Rental				0
5500 Comm. & utilities				0
6000 Repairs & Maintenance				0
6500 Contractual Services				0
7000 Special Transactions				0
9000 Capital Outlay	9050		9065000	0
9000 Capital Outlay	9070		500000	0
9500 Matching Funds				0
9500 Indirect Cost				0
8000 Assistance				0
8000 Assistance				0
TOTAL:			9,565,000	0

PART IV. POSITIONS AND VEHICLES		
	(D)	(E)
Total # of Positions Budgeted:	0	0
Total # of Permanently Assigned Vehicles:	0	0

## PART V ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

I HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS BUDGET PACKAGE IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE.

10-3-2018

10.3.18

SUBMITTED BY: Program Manager's Printed Name

APPROVED BY: Division Director/ Branch Chief's Printed Name

4: Division Director/Branch Chief's Printed Name

4: Division Director/Branch Chief's Printed Name

SUBMITTED BY: Program Manager's Signature and Date

APPROVED BY: Division Director/Branch Chief's Signature and Date



## PART I. PROGRAM INFORMATION:

Business Unit No:

Program Name/Title: Shonto Youth Center

To Construct a youth center facility for the community.

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## PART II. PLAN OF OPERATION/RESOLUTION NUMBER/PURPOSE OF PROGRAM:

1st QTR		2nd QTR		3rd QTR		4th QTR	
Goal	Actual	Goal	Actual	Goal	Actual	Goal	Actual

1 Program Performance Area:

Goal Statement:

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2 Program Performance Area:

Goal Statement:

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3 Program Performance Area:

Goal Statement:

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4 Program Performance Area:

Goal Statement:

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5 Program Performance Area:

Goal Statement:

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PART IV. THEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION HAS BEEN THOROUGHLY REVIEWED.

ROBERT BLAKE, JR.

Program Manager's Printed Name

10.3.2018

Program Manager's Signature and Date

Division Director/Branch Chief's Printed Name

10.3.18

Division Director/Branch Chief's Signature and Date





PROPOSED RESOLUTION OF THE  
NAVAJO MOUNTAIN-OLJATO-SHONTO-TSAH BI KIN REGIONAL COUNCIL  
THE NAVAJO NATION

NOST 2017-349-006



**SUPPORTING THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SHONTO YOUTH CENTER, TO SERVE THE SHONTO YOUTH  
AND THE SURROUNDING REGION.**

WHEREAS:

1. The Navajo Mountain, Oljato, Shonto and Ts'ah Bii Kin Chapters (NOST) is a recognized Regional Council by the Navajo Nation Government, endorsed and established by the Navajo Nation Council Resources and Development Committee to advocate for, encourage and promote community projects, support, and interact with other local governments; as well as assist the local chapter governments to develop their five management systems for governance certification; and
2. NOST Chapters support the community members of Shonto Community Governance (Chapter) for the Shonto Youth Center Project which is now funded by the Navajo Housing Authority Grants Management Department as a Model Project using NAHASDA Funds in the amount of approximately 5.3 million; and
3. NOST Chapters support projects which are designated to help or support the Navajo Youth and in this case Youth that are from the Shonto and surrounding communities to help deter the Youth from engaging in unwanted or unlawful activities; and
4. NOST Chapters supports all programs that improve the lives of Navajo Youth and the construction of the Shonto Youth Center, when constructed, will help enhance the quality of lives of our future generation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The NOST Regional Council supports the Shonto Youth Center project and encourages the Navajo Nation, Navajo Housing Authority and other agencies or entities to provide additional resources to ensure this Youth Center is constructed and operational to serve the youth of the Navajo Nation within the next fiscal year.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the NOST Regional Council at a duly called meeting at Twin Arrows, Arizona; at which a quorum was present and that the same was passed by a vote of 9 in favor, 0 opposed and 1 abstained, on this 15th day of December 2017.

Motioned by: LaNell Parrish

Seconded by: Geraldine Chee

CONCURRENCE:

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Hank Stevens, Vice-President  
NOST Regional Council (Navajo Mountain, Oljato, Shonto & Ts'ah Bi Kin Chapters)





## TEEC NOS POS CHAPTER

P. O. Box 106, Teec Nos Pos, Arizona, Navajo Nation 86514  
Highway 160 BIA School Road #5114 Chapter Government Building  
Telephone #928-656-3662 Fax#928-656-3661

EXHIBIT

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March 23, 2018

Elsie Smallcanyon  
Shonto Community Governance  
Shonto AZ

RE: Supporting Letter

Dear Division of Community Development staff, and Navajo Nation Oversight Committee,

This supporting letter is requesting your Capital Project Management Department consider match funding for the Youth Center Project in Shonto, Arizona. Youth Centers have been considered an "absolute necessity" in communities across the United States.

These type of canter provide a creative and innovative time in the field of public education, and it engages learning opportunities for children. It helps participating children address social issues they often face in society today. Statistically, 15 million children school-age (26%) are latch-key children or own their own, and if after-school centers were available the anticipated participation rate would be evident.

After school-centers studies have shown that communities that have such Youth Centers have seen:

- Improvement in class attendance and positive behavior among children.
- Significant gains in standardized testing.
- Increased homework completion and class participation.
- Provide a safe place to learn and grow.

This is only a few benefits that are right off the tip of my mind, but what brings to mind is what one Utah State legislator said, "The best investment I ever supported was education-based funding for our youth."

I hope these few words of encouragement and support are sufficient in providing match funding for Navajo Youth in the western part of the Navajo Nation. If there any questions I can reached at 928.656.3662.

Sincerely yours,

Kenny Victor, MSW, TeecNosPos Vice-President  
PO Box 1072  
TeecNosPos AZ 86514

### CHAPTER OFFICERS

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Steven Benally    Matilda Begay  
Chapter Coordinator    Accountant Maintenance Specialist

Davis Filfred  
Council Delegate



THE NAVAJO NATION

RUSSELL BEGAYE PRESIDENT  
JONATHAN NEZ VICE PRESIDENT

Kim Fragua, Police Lieutenant  
Kayenta Police District  
P.O. Box 2460  
Kayenta, Arizona 86033

March 21, 2018

Re: Letter of Support for Shonto Youth Center

To whom it may concern,

This letter is written in behalf of the Kayenta Police Department in support of the Shonto Community Governance and its efforts to establish a community youth center for the youth in the surrounding community of Shonto, Arizona.

The Kayenta Police Department fully supports the efforts of the Shonto Community Governance and their attempt to meet the needs of the youth within the Shonto Community by building and establishing this community center.

This community center in return will help the youth within the Shonto area to have a safe place to engage in positive activities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kim Fragua".



Dr. Bryce Anderson  
Kayenta Unified School District  
P.O. Box 337  
Kayenta, AZ 86033

23<sup>rd</sup> Navajo Nation Council  
P.O. Box 3390  
Window Rock, AZ 86515

23<sup>rd</sup> Navajo Nation Council,

I am writing this letter on behalf of Kayenta Unified School District to express our full support for the Shonto Youth Center Project.

Kayenta Unified School District provides educational services to students from the community and the area surrounding Shonto, AZ. Kayenta Unified School District's Transportation Department, transport one hundred forty-five students daily to Kayenta Unified School District.

Shonto Community Governance has a vision to address the needs of the youth in their community through the development of a youth center. The need has been identified and funds to support the Shonto Youth Center are being pursued. There is a vision to provide a safe place for youth and to support their well-being within the community and the surrounding areas of Shonto. Shonto Community Governance recognizes the crucial period between childhood and adulthood and the need for the youth to acquire skills that will carry them toward successful adulthood. The youth need to avoid choices and behaviors that limit their potential future and by developing the Shonto Youth Center, the youth will have the supports necessary to assist them in reaching their potential.

Shonto Community Governance supports the mission of the Navajo Nation Office of Dine Youth, "To advocate, educate, and develop resilient, healthy generations of youth through partnerships to balance and live in a diverse society." In addition, Shonto Community Governance would like to partner with the Navajo Nation of Dine Youth to develop "positive attitudes, enhance positive self-image, confidence, maturity and pride in being a productive member of society.

Therefore, it is without hesitation that Kayenta Unified School District supports and recommends this project. If you have any questions or if I can be of further assistance please contact me.

Sincerely,

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Dr. Bryce Anderson  
Superintendent  
Kayenta Unified School District

# JUSTICE COURT

## PRECINCT FOUR



NAVAJO COUNTY

*Susie Nelson*  
JUDGE

*Pam Searls*  
Court Collections

*Esther Leuth Grass*  
Lead Clerk

*Elizabeth W. Benally*  
Constable

March 19, 2018

Shonto Community Governance  
Post Office Box 7800  
Shonto, Arizona 86054

RE: Shonto Youth Center

Dear Mr. Black:

Please accept this letter of support for the proposed Shonto Youth Center. A youth center is greatly needed for Shonto and surrounding communities for our youth, leaders of our future.

I already envision the many leaders and instructors that can come to the youth center to teach traditional, educational and spiritual values which we are vastly losing among our youth. Our children and grandchildren will have a place to go to learn, obtain useful skills and many important values to grow up to be responsible citizens. Many activities can be scheduled after school, during spring and summer breaks, when school is not in session.

Unfortunately, some of our youth are getting into trouble and going through the court system at an early age. With proper supervision and guidance, they can be deterred from criminal activities and have a place to go.

I appreciate the dedication of our leaders in our community for the ongoing support of the youth in our community.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and hoping for a favorable response to this very important endeavor for our youth.

My best,

Susie Nelson  
Justice of the Peace



JUDICIAL BRANCH OF THE NAVAJO NATION  
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Kayenta, Arizona 86033  
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KAYENTA FAMILY COURT  
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Kayenta, Arizona 86033  
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March 15, 2018

Robert Black  
Chapter Manager  
Shonto Community Governance  
Post Office Box 7800  
Shonto, Arizona 86054

Dear Mr. Black:

The Kayenta Judicial District was informed of the Shonto Community Governance plan to build a Shonto Youth and Wellness Center for the community's youth and low-income families. It is with great enthusiasm that I write a letter of support for this endeavor. There is a critical need in our communities to support our youth and to assist them in improving their skills and to give them direction, opportunity, and guidance so they will be healthy and successful adults. Too many of our *Diné* youth are falling through the cracks because they lack any type of mentorship programs. The Shonto Youth and Wellness Center will provide that "helping hand" to lift them up and create for them greater opportunities for a successful future.

It is imperative delinquency among the youth within the Kayenta Judicial District's seven communities be addressed by each community. Programs such as academic and college counseling, job placement, substance abuse, violence prevention education, crisis intervention, leadership development, and technology training will assist in improving self-esteem which will in turn minimize behavioral problems occurring within our communities. The Shonto Youth and Wellness Center will no doubt help to curb delinquency; it is a pipeline to a place where the youth will engage in positive behavior.

The Shonto Community Governance has the full support of the Kayenta Judicial District for the development of a Community Youth and Wellness Center. I am sure the Center will not only serve the community of Shonto but surrounding communities. With the improvement of the health and safety of the Shonto community, surrounding communities may decide to develop youth centers of their own.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tina Tsinigine".

Hon. Tina Tsinigine, Judge  
Kayenta Judicial District



March 13, 2018

**Via Email: [rblack@navajochapters.org](mailto:rblack@navajochapters.org)**

Robert Black  
Shonto Community Governance

**Re: Letter of Support for Shonto Youth Center**

Dear Mr. Black:

This letter is written in support of the Shonto Community Governance and its application for grant funding to construct a community youth center for the youth that reside in its area. Many of the children and youth that live in this area attend the Page Unified School District and have long bus rides both to and from school each day.

It is hoped that this youth center will be an affordable and safe place for the children of this community when they are not in school to be mentored by encouraging adults while doing fun activities. It would also be nice to see a place where the students will not only have the opportunity to experience a positive environment, but also have access to items that can assist with their education, such as computers with internet access which many do not have at home.

I believe that the community center will enrich the lives of the children and young who reside in the community of Shonto during the hours after school as well as benefit working families. Centers such as this can offer youth a place where they have the opportunity to be in a safe environment when otherwise they can often be victims of crime or engaged in criminal activity themselves.

I fully support the efforts of the Shonto Community Governance in their attempts to meet the needs of the children and young people of its community by seeking to build this community center.

Sincerely,

Robert B. Varner, Ed.S.

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Desiree Fowler  
President

Ed Franklin  
Clerk

Governing Board  
Sandra Kidman  
Member

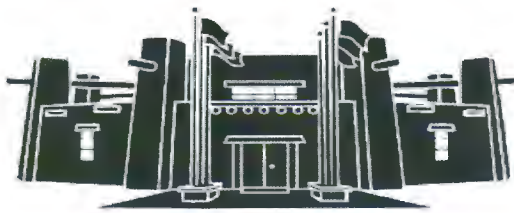
Robert Candelaria  
Member

Dee McKerry  
Member

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Robert Varner, Superintendent ♦ Page Unified School District #8  
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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Jonathan Hale  
23<sup>rd</sup> Navajo Nation Council

FROM: K. Lowell  
Kristen Lowell, Principal Attorney  
Office of Legislative Counsel

DATE: October 3, 2018

SUBJECT: **AN ACTION RELATING TO BUDGET AND FINANCE, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT, AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES, AND NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE SHONTO YOUTH CENTER FUND EXPENDITURE PLAN PURSUANT 12 N.N.C §§ 2501 – 2508**

As requested, I have prepared the above-referenced proposed resolution and associated legislative summary sheet pursuant to your request for legislative drafting. Based on existing law and review of documents submitted, the resolution as drafted is legally sufficient. As with any action of government however, it can be subject to review by the courts in the event of proper challenge.

**Please ensure that this particular resolution request is precisely what you want.** You are encouraged to review the proposed resolution to ensure that it is drafted to your satisfaction.

The Office of Legislative Counsel confirms the appropriate standing committee(s) based on the standing committees powers outlined in 2 N.N.C. §§301, 401, 501, 601 and 701. Nevertheless, “the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council shall introduce [the proposed resolution] into the legislative process by assigning it to the respective oversight committee(s) of the Navajo Nation Council having authority over the matters for proper consideration.” 2 N.N.C. §164(A)(5).

If the proposed resolution is unacceptable to you, please contact me at the Office of Legislative Counsel and advise me of the changes you would like made to the proposed resolution.

THE NAVAJO NATION  
LEGISLATIVE BRANCH  
INTERNET PUBLIC REVIEW PUBLICATION



LEGISLATION NO: \_0325-18\_

SPONSOR: Jonathan L. Hale

**TITLE: An Action Relating To Budget and Finance, Resources And Development And NAABIK'IYATI' Committees And Navajo Nation Council; Approving And Adopting The Shonto Youth Center Fund Expenditure Plan Pursuant 12 N.N.C §§ 2501-2508**

***Date posted: October 03, 2018 at 7:21 PM***

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Office of Legislative Services  
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**THE NAVAJO NATION  
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**Posted: October 03, 2018 at 7:21 PM**

**5 DAY Comment Period Ended: October 8, 2018**

**Digital Comments received:**

<b>Comments Supporting</b>	<i>None</i>
<b>Comments Opposing</b>	<i>None</i>
<b>Inconclusive Comments</b>	<i>None</i>



**Policy Analyst  
Office of Legislative Services**

*10-09-18 @ 8:42 AM*

**Date/Time**

**23<sup>rd</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL**

Fourth Year 2018

Mr. Speaker:

The **BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE** to whom has been assigned

**NAVAJO LEGISLATIVE BILL # 0325-18:**

An Action Relating to Budget and Finance, Resources and Development and Naabikiyati Committees and Navajo Nation Council; Approving and Adopting the Shonto Youth Center Fund Expenditure Plan Pursuant to 12 N.N.C. §§ 2501-2508 *Sponsored by Benjamin L. Bennett, and Herman Daniels, Council Delegate*

has had it under consideration and reports the same with the recommendation that It **Do Pass** without amendment.

And therefore, referred to the **Resources & Development** Committee

Respectfully submitted,

  
Seth Damon, Chairman

Adopted: 

Legislative Advisor

Not Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

Legislative Advisor

**10 October 2018**

The vote was **3** in favor **0** opposed yeas: *Lee Jack, Sr., Tom T. Chee, Tuchoney Slim, Jr.*  
nays: none

Motion: *Lee Jack, Sr.*

Second: *Tom T. Chee*

## BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

October 10, 2018

Special Meeting

### VOTE TALLY SHEET:

#### Legislation No. 0325-18:

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*Motion: Lee Jack, Sr.*


*Second: Tom T. Chee*

*Vote: 3-0, Chairman not voting*

#### Vote Tally:

Seth A. Damon		
Dwight Witherspoon		
Tom T. Chee	<b>Yea</b>	
Lee Jack, Sr.	<b>Yea</b>	
Leonard Tsosie		
Tuchoney Slim, Jr.	<b>Yea</b>	

*Absent: Leonard Tsosie, Dwight Witherspoon*

  
Seth A. Damon, Chairman  
Budget & Finance Committee

  
Peggy Nakai, Legislative Advisor  
Budget & Finance Committee

**RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
23rd NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL**

**FOURTH YEAR 2018**

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

Mr. Speaker,

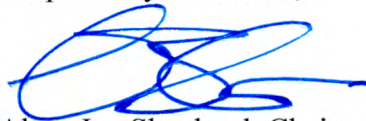
The **RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE** to whom has been assigned:

**LEGISLATION # 0325-18:** AN ACTION RELATING TO BUDGET AND FINANCE, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, AND NAABIK'IYATI COMMITTEE, AND NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE SHONTO YOUTH CENTER FUND EXPENDITURE PLAN PURSUANT TO 12 N.N.C. §§2501-2508 . *Sponsor: Honorable Jonathan L. Hale; Co-Sponsor: Benjamin Bennett*

Has had it under consideration and reports a **DO PASS** with no amendment;

And thereafter the matter was referred to Naabik'Iyati Committee.

Respectfully submitted,



Alton Joe Shepherd, Chairperson  
Resource and Development Committee of  
the 23<sup>rd</sup> Navajo Nation Council

Date: October 31, 2018 - Regular Meeting

Meeting Location: Navajo Nation Council Chambers, Window Rock, Arizona

**MAIN MOTION:** Walter Phelps S: Jonathan Perry V: 3-0-1 (CNV)

YEAS: Benjamin Bennett, Jonathan Perry and Walter Phelps

NAYS: NONE

NOT VOTING: Davis Filfred (Stepped away from the meeting for a few minutes.)

EXCUSED: Leonard Pete

**RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

**Regular Meeting**

**October 31, 2018**

**ROLL CALL**

**VOTE TALLY SHEET:**

**LEGISLATION # 0325-18:** AN ACTION RELATING TO BUDGET AND FINANCE, RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, AND NAABIK'IYATI COMMITTEE, AND NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE SHONTO YOUTH CENTER FUND EXPENDITURE PLAN PURSUANT TO 12 N.N.C. §§2501-2508 . *Sponsor: Honorable Jonathan L. Hale; Co-Sponsor: Benjamin Bennett*

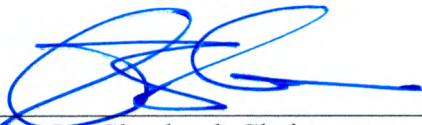
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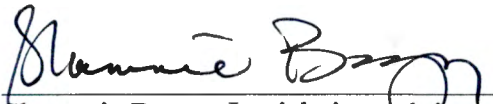
**NAYS:** NONE

**NOT VOTING:** Davis Filfred (Stepped away from the meeting for a few minutes.)

**EXCUSED:** Leonard Pete



Alton Joe Shepherd, Chairperson  
Resources and Development Committee



Shammie Begay, Legislative Advisor  
Resources and Development Committee



# **23<sup>rd</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE REPORT Fourth Year 2018**

The **NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE** to whom has been assigned:

## **NAVAJO LEGISLATIVE BILL #0325-18**

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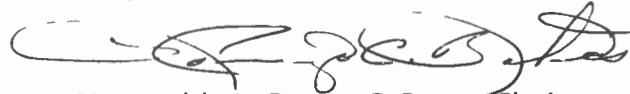
*Sponsored by: Honorable Jonathan L. Hale*

*Co-Sponsored by: Honorable Benjamin L. Bennett*

*Co-Sponsored by: Honorable Herman M. Daniels*

Has had it under consideration and reports the same legislation **WAS PASSED AND REFERRED TO THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL.**

Respectfully Submitted,



*Honorable LoRenzo C. Bates, Chairman  
NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE*

**09 NOVEMBER 2018**

### **MAIN MOTION**

*Motioned by: Honorable Nathaniel Brown*

*Seconded by: Honorable Kee Allen Begay, Jr.*

*Vote: 10 in Favor, 0 Opposed (Chairman Bates not voting)*

*Per N.N.C. § 700 (D), "A quorum of the committee shall be satisfied by the presence of two (2) members of each standing committee..."*

# NAVAJO NATION

RCS# 1101

Naa'bik'iyati Committee

11/9/2018

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Amd# to Amd#  
MOT Brown  
SEC Begay, K

Legislation 0325-18: Approving  
and Adopting the Shonto Youth  
Center Fund Expenditure Plan

PASSED

**Yea : 10**

**Nay : 0**

**Excused : 1**

**Not Voting : 12**

**Yea : 10**

Begay, K  
Bennett  
Brown

Crotty  
Daniels  
Hale

Jack  
Pete

Slim  
Tso

**Nay : 0**

**Excused : 1**

BeGaye, N

**Not Voting : 12**

Bates  
Begay, NM  
Chee

Damon  
Filfred  
Kieyoomia

Perry  
Phelps  
Shepherd

Smith  
Tsosie  
Yazzie

# 23<sup>rd</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL ACTION REPORT Fourth Year 2018

The **NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL** to whom has been assigned:

## **NAVAJO LEGISLATIVE BILL #0325-18**

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*Sponsored by: Honorable Jonathan L. Hale*

*Co-Sponsored by: Honorable Benjamin L. Bennett*

*Co-Sponsored by: Honorable Herman M. Daniels*

Has had it under consideration and reports the same **FAILED (NEEDED 16 IN FAVOR VOTES)**

Respectfully Submitted,



*Honorable Lorenzo C. Bates, Speaker*  
**23<sup>rd</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL**

**31 DECEMBER 2018**

*Motioned by: Honorable Norman M. Begay*

*Seconded by: Honorable Nathaniel Brown*

*Vote: 12 in Favor, 02 Opposed (Speaker Bates Not Voting) – needed 16 in Favor votes for passage*

**NAVAJO NATION**

RCS# 1397

12/31/2018

Special Session

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<b>Amd# to Amd#</b>	<b>Legislation 0325-18: Approving</b>	<b>FAILED</b>
MOT Begay, NM	and Adopting the Shonto Youth	
SEC Brown	Center Fund Expenditure Plan	
	Pursuant to 12 NNC SS 2501-2508	

**Yea : 12**

**Nay : 2**

**Excused : 0**

**Not Voting : 10**

**Yea : 12**

Begay, K	Bennett	Filfred	Shepherd
Begay, NM	Brown	Jack	Smith
BeGaye, N	Daniels	Kieyoomia	Yellowhair

**Nay : 2**

Tsosie	Pete
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**Excused : 0**

**Not Voting : 10**

Bates	Damon	Phelps	Tso
Chee	Hale	Slim	Yazzie
Crotty	Perry		