

## LEGISLATION SUMMARY SHEET

Tracking No. 0013-22

Date: JANUARY 11, 2022

Title: **AN ACT RELATING TO THE HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND HUMAN SERVICES, BUDGET AND FINANCE, AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES, AND TO THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; APPROVING \$540,528 IN SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING FROM THE UNRESERVED, UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE TO REHOBOTH CHRISTIAN SCHOOL TO FUND STUDENT TRANSPORTATION COSTS, A NAVAJO LANGUAGE TEACHER POSITION, SUMMER SCHOOL EXPENSES, AND OTHER NEEDS**

**PURPOSE OF THIS LEGISLATION:** to allocate \$540,528 from the UUFB to Rehoboth Christian School to pay for student transportation costs, a Navajo language teacher, summer school opportunities, new furniture in the Special Ed classroom, and new HVAC/air conditioning in the Elementary School.

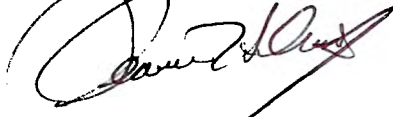
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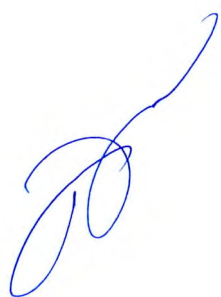
PROPOSED NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL RESOLUTION  
24<sup>th</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL - Fourth Year, 2022

Introduced by:



(Prime Sponsor)

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**RELATING TO THE HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND HUMAN SERVICES,**  
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**TO THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; APPROVING \$540,528 IN**  
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**FUND BALANCE TO REHOBOTH CHRISTIAN SCHOOL TO FUND**  
**STUDENT TRANSPORTATION COSTS, A NAVAJO LANGUAGE TEACHER**  
**POSITION, SUMMER SCHOOL EXPENSES, AND OTHER NEEDS**

BE IT ENACTED:

**SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY**

- A. The Navajo Nation established the Health, Education, and Human Services Committee ("HEHSC") as a Navajo Nation Council standing committee, and as such gave HEHSC the authority to oversee the education initiatives of the Navajo Nation by promoting academic excellence and culturally relevant education. 2 N.N.C. §401(C)(2).
- B. The Navajo Nation established the Budget and Finance Committee ("BFC") as a Navajo Nation Council standing committee, and as such empowered BFC to review and recommend to the Navajo Nation Council the management of all funds. 2 N.N.C. §300(A), and §301(B)(2).
- C. The Navajo Nation Council established the Naabik'iyáti' Committee as a Navajo Nation

1 standing committee, and proposed legislation requiring final action by the Navajo Nation  
2 Council shall be assigned to the Naabik'íyáti' Committee. 2 N.N.C. §164(A)(9) and  
3 §700(A).

4 D. The Navajo Nation Council is the governing body of the Navajo Nation, with the authority  
5 to approve supplemental appropriations. 2 N.N.C. §102(A), 12 N.N.C. §820(L).

6 E. Pursuant to 12 N.N.C. §820(L): “[t]he Navajo Nation Council may adopt and approve  
7 supplemental appropriations to the Annual Comprehensive Budget during the fiscal year.  
8 Supplemental appropriations of General Funds within the current fiscal year are permitted,  
9 if and when additional sources of revenues above and beyond the initial or current revenue  
10 projections are projected and which are also in excess of the reserve amount set forth at  
11 §820(J).”

12 F. The Title 12 Supplemental Appropriation requirements include:

13 1. All requests for annual operating funds and supplemental funds shall be submitted to  
14 the Office of Management and Budget (“OMB”) for budget impact analysis. 12 N.N.C.  
15 §820(M).

16 2. When the Controller identifies additional sources of revenues above and beyond the  
17 initial or current revenue projections, supplemental appropriations may be approved by  
18 the Navajo Nation Council. 12 N.N.C. §820(L).

19 3. Supplemental Appropriations made from non-recurring revenues shall only be made for  
20 non-recurring operations or purposes, as set forth at §820(F). The Controller of the  
21 Navajo Nation shall be responsible for the designation of recurring and non-recurring  
22 revenues. 12 N.N.C. §820(L).

23 4. The Navajo Nation Code provides: “[t]he Nation shall restrict non-recurring revenues  
24 to budget non-recurring expenditures. In addition, non-recurring revenues will be  
25 budgeted only after an examination by the Controller to determine whether or not the  
26 revenues are subsidizing an imbalance between recurring revenues and expenditures,  
27 and expenditures may be authorized only if a long-term (three-five year) forecast shows  
28 that the operating deficit will not continue. Otherwise, non-recurring revenues will be  
29 added to the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund balance. This provision may be amended  
30 or waived by a two-thirds vote of the full Navajo Nation Council.” 12 N.N.C. §820(F).

1     **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**

2     A. The Rehoboth Christian School (“RCS”) has submitted a letter, dated October 5, 2021,  
3         attached as **EXHIBIT A**. RCS is seeking supplemental funding from the Unreserved,  
4         Undesignated Fund Balance (“UUFB”) to provide education to its students and to meet  
5         other needs of RCS. According to this letter, 75% of RCS students are Native American,  
6         and most of these students are enrolled Navajo Nation members.

7     B. RCS’ supplemental funding proposal in the amount of \$540,528, along with budget forms  
8         and related documents, including Appendix K “Supplemental Funding Proposal  
9         Summary,” are attached as **EXHIBIT B**. RCS’ required grant application is attached as  
10        **EXHIBIT C**.

11    C. Regarding this UUFB funding request, the Controller may be asked to satisfy the  
12        requirements of 12 N.N.C. §820(L) by memorandum, or telephonically or in person when  
13        this matter is heard by the Navajo Nation Council.

14    D. Regarding this UUFB funding request, the OMB may be asked to provide the budget  
15        impact statement required by 12 N.N.C. §820(M) by memorandum, or telephonically or in  
16        person when this matter is heard by the Navajo Nation Council.

17    E. The Bahastl’ah Chapter through Resolution BAH-21-04-29-015, attached as **EXHIBIT D**,  
18        supports RCS’ request for this funding.

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20     **SECTION THREE. APPROVING AN ALLOCATION OF \$540,528 FROM THE**  
21             **UUFB TO REHOBOTH CHRISTIAN SCHOOL**

22    A. The Navajo Nation hereby approves \$540,528 in supplemental funding out of the  
23        Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance to the Rehoboth Christian School, as requested  
24        in **EXHIBIT B** and for the purposes explained in **EXHIBIT A**.

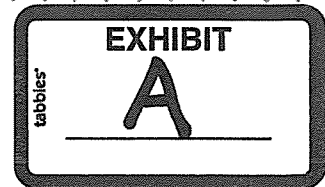
25    B. This supplemental appropriation of \$540,528 shall be from that amount of funds that  
26        exceeds the minimum fund balance of the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance, as  
27        determined by the Office of the Controller.

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29     **SECTION FOUR. EFFECTIVE DATE**

30    This Act shall become effective as provided in 2 N.N.C. §221(B) and 2 N.N.C. §164(A)(17).

1     **SECTION FIVE. SAVING CLAUSE**

2     If any provision of this Act is determined invalid by the Navajo Nation Supreme Court or a  
3     District Court of the Navajo Nation, without appeal to the Navajo Nation Supreme Court, the  
4     remainder of this Act shall remain the law of the Navajo Nation.



October 5, 2021

24th Navajo Council Room  
Window Rock, Arizona 86515

**Subject: Request for Funding from the Unserved, Undesignated Fund Balance to Support Navajo Language Instruction, Transportation Costs for 3 Bus Routes Serving Navajo Nation Communities, Summer School to Address Learning Loss, Creation of a New Special Education Classroom, and HVAC for the Elementary School**

Dear Honorable Speaker Seth Damon and Council Delegates of the 24th Navajo Nation Council,

Rehoboth Christian School is submitting a request for funding from the Navajo Nation's Unreserved, Undesignated Balance to support a school whose population is 75% Native American and who come from a 3,000 square mile area. Most of our indigenous students are enrolled in the Navajo Nation. Rehoboth families represent over 50 chapters. Rehoboth seeks these funds for the following purposes:

- a. Assistance with transportation costs with bus routes that serve the communities of Fort Defiance, Crownpoint and Houck.
- b. Assistance for resources to effectively teach the Navajo language through the K-12 curriculum.
- c. Assistance for summer school opportunities to help address the learning loss due to COVID.
- d. Assistance in furnishing a new Special Education classroom as the school tries to more effectively meet the needs of all learners.
- e. Assistance in providing air conditioning to the elementary school to provide for a better learning environment and safer environment so windows do not have to be open.

On behalf of all of the parents and students of Rehoboth Christian School, I extend my sincerest gratitude and appreciation for your consideration and for your commitment to education for students of the Navajo Nation.

Sincerely,

Bob Ippel  
Executive Director of Rehoboth Christian School  
Rehoboth, New Mexico

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# THE NAVAJO NATION SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING PROPOSAL SUMMARY

EXHIBIT

**B**

PART I. Business Unit No.: New Program Title: Rehoboth Christian School  
 Division/Branch: NN Social Services Amount Requested: \$540,528 Prepared By: Henry R. Ippel  
 Phone No.: 505/726-9623 Email Address: bippel@rcsnm.org

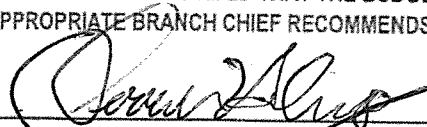
## PART II. REASON FOR REQUEST AND STATEMENT OF NEED:

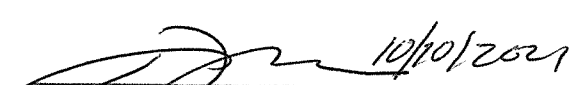
Rehoboth Christian School has been providing education to the four corners region since 1903. Today, 75% of Rehoboth's 430 students are Native American and most of those individuals are enrolled in the Navajo Nation. Rehoboth has valued the support of its efforts to provide a quality Christian education to students from many chapters and communities by providing transportation and a rich educational experience for all students. This education includes Navajo language, summer school experiences and special education opportunities which all are dependent on financial resources. An additional need for HVAC in the Elementary School is increasingly clear since we experience more and more hot days during instructional times. In addition, unfortunately, we live during a time when open windows and doors for ventilation are exactly what you want to avoid when it comes to school safety concerns. Rehoboth seeks to raise support through donors from around the country who truly love the students and families of our community. While we are blessed to have contributions from our constituents, it is powerful to see that the school is supported locally through alumni, individual donors, businesses and through local government support. Our hope is that the Navajo Nation will once again join others in moving Rehoboth forward by providing financial assistance to help Rehoboth fulfill its purpose by providing a life changing and excellent education for students of the Navajo Nation and the four corners region. Our greatest joy is to see a high percentage of our students go to college or join the military or attend trade school but eventually return and serve their community. We appreciate the Navajo Nation's commitment to education as evidenced through the many ODY and Chief Manuelito Scholarships awarded to Rehoboth students.

## PART III. LIST ALTERNATIVE FUNDING SOURCES BEING PURSUED AND CONTINGENCY PLAN IF REQUEST IS NOT FUNDED:

Without additional funding, our ability to expand our Navajo Language Curriculum, offer summer school, remodel and furnish a Special Education classroom or provide a more comfortable and safe elementary school will need to be put on hold. We do share these needs with donors and we apply for grants which sometimes help with such specific needs. We have been fortunate to receive support from McKinley County and from the State of New Mexico through the EANS grant. (Emergency Assistance to Non Public Schools). However, each grant has its restrictions in terms of how that money might be allocated. We wait patiently for the right fit. Thank you for considering our request.

## PART IV. AFFIRMATION IS PROVIDED THAT THE BUDGET AND PROPOSAL INFORMATION IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE AND THE APPROPRIATE BRANCH CHIEF RECOMMENDS APPROVAL AS A PRIORITY.

REVIEWED BY:  Division Director's Signature / Date

RECOMMEND SUPPLEMENTAL:  10/30/2021 Branch Chief's Signature / Date

THE NAVAJO NATION  
PROGRAM BUDGET SUMMARY

FY 2021

|                                 |  |  |  |   |  |
|---------------------------------|--|--|--|---|--|
| PART I. Business Unit No.: XXXX |  | Program Title: Rehoboth Christian School |  | Division/Branch:                            |  |
| Prepared By: Linda Youvella     |  | Phone No.: 928.871.6383                  |  | Email Address: lindayouvella@navajo-nsn.gov |  |



| PART II. FUNDING SOURCE(S) |  | Fiscal Year /Term  | Amount        | % of Total | PART III. BUDGET SUMMARY          |  |  | Fund Type Code | (A) NNC Approved Original Budget | (B) Proposed Budget | (C) Difference or Total |
|----------------------------|--|--------------------|---------------|------------|-----------------------------------|--|--|----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| American Recovery Funds    |  | 10/1/20 to 9/30/21 | \$ 540,528.00 | 100%       |                                   |  |  | 1              |                                  | \$ 56,174.00        | \$ 56,174.00            |
|                            |  |                    |               |            | 2001 Personnel Expenses           |  |  | 1              |                                  | \$ 56,174.00        | \$ 56,174.00            |
|                            |  |                    |               |            | 3000 Travel Expenses              |  |  | 1              |                                  | \$ 93,552.00        | \$ 93,552.00            |
|                            |  |                    |               |            | 3500 Meeting Expenses             |  |  |                |                                  |                     |                         |
|                            |  |                    |               |            | 4000 Supplies                     |  |  | 1              |                                  | \$ 56,174.00        | \$ 56,174.00            |
|                            |  |                    |               |            | 5000 Lease and Rental             |  |  |                |                                  |                     |                         |
|                            |  |                    |               |            | 5500 Communications and Utilities |  |  |                |                                  |                     |                         |
|                            |  |                    |               |            | 6000 Repairs and Maintenance      |  |  | 1              |                                  | \$ 318,328.00       | \$ 318,328.00           |
|                            |  |                    |               |            | 6500 Contr:                       |  |  | 1              |                                  | \$ 5,000.00         | \$ 5,000.00             |
|                            |  |                    |               |            | 7000 Special Transactions         |  |  | 1              |                                  | \$ 11,300.00        | \$ 11,300.00            |
|                            |  |                    |               |            | 8000 Public Assistance            |  |  |                |                                  |                     |                         |
|                            |  |                    |               |            | 9000 Capital Outlay               |  |  |                |                                  |                     |                         |
|                            |  |                    |               |            | 9500 Matching Funds               |  |  |                |                                  |                     |                         |
|                            |  |                    |               |            | 9500 Indirect Cost                |  |  |                |                                  |                     |                         |
|                            |  |                    | <b>TOTAL:</b> |            | <b>TOTAL</b>                      |  |  |                |                                  | \$ 540,528.00       | \$ 540,528.00           |

| PART IV. POSITIONS AND VEHICLES |  | (D) | (E) |
|---------------------------------|--|-----|-----|
| Total # of Positions Budgeted:  |  |     | 12  |
| Total # of Vehicles Budgeted:   |  |     | 0   |


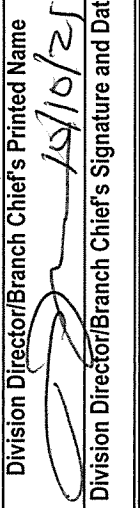
PART V. I HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS BUDGET PACKAGE IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE.

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|---------------|---|--------------|---|
| SUBMITTED BY: | Pernell Halona, Council Delegate/NNC  | APPROVED BY: | Honorable Seth Damon, Speaker/NNC   |
|               | Program Manager's Printed Name  |              | Division Director / Branch Chief's Printed Name                                     |
|               |  |              |  |
|               | Program Manager's Signature and Date  |              | Division Director's Signature and Date  |



THE NAVAJO NATION  
PROGRAM PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

FY 2021

|  |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|--|---|--|--|--|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| PART I. PROGRAM INFORMATION:   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Business Unit No.: XXXXX   |  |  |  |  | Program Name/Title: Rehoboth Christian School |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| PART II. PLAN OF OPERATION/RESOLUTION NUMBER/PURPOSE OF PROGRAM:                                 |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| PART III. PROGRAM PERFORMANCE CRITERIA:  |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Goal Statement:   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Provide ministry through education with multiculturalism as a backdrop.                          |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Program Performance Measure:   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Continue providing quality education.  |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| 2. Goal Statement:   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Enormous privilege it is to have a student body of mixed ethnicity.                              |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Program Performance Measure:   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Continue serving Native American students, and other ethnic minorities.                          |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| 3. Goal Statement:   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Committed to building students up not only intellectually, but also spiritually and emotionally. |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Program Performance Measure:   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Continue commitment to keeping RCS a comparatively school that provides a safe environment.      |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| 4. Goal Statement:   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Enormous privilege to have a student body of mixed ethnicity.                                    |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Program Performance Measure:   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| 5. Goal Statement:   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Program Performance Measure:   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| PART IV. I HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION HAS BEEN THOROUGHLY REVIEWED.           |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Pernell Halona, Council Delegate/NNC   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  | Honorable Seth Damon, Speaker/NNC   |  |  |  |  |
| Program Manager's Printed Name   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  | Division Director/Branch Chief's Printed Name                                       |  |  |  |  |
|             |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Program Manager's Signature and Date   |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  | Division Director/Branch Chief's Signature and Date                                 |  |  |  |  |

| PART I. PROGRAM INFORMATION: |   |                           |                    |                                       |                                    |
|------------------------------|---|---------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Program Name/Title:          |   | Rehoboth Christian School | Business Unit No.: | XXXXX                                 |                                    |
| PART II. DETAILED BUDGET:    |   |                           |                    |                                       |                                    |
| (A)                          | (B)   |                           |                    | (C)                                   | (U)                                |
| Object Code (LOD 6)          | Object Code Description and Justification (LOD 7)   |                           |                    | Total by DETAILED Object Code (LOD 6) | Total by MAJOR Object Code (LOD 4) |
| 2110                         | 2001 PERSONNEL EXPENSES<br>Navajo Language Teacher for K-12 grades, Summer School Support Staff and Bus Drivers.<br><br>Regular<br>2120 Person-Regular FT<br><br>Teacher: \$12,698.00<br>Teacher: \$23,349.00<br>3 Bus Drivers: \$6,177.15<br>2 Administrative Assistants: \$3,150.00<br>2 Custodians: \$3,600.00<br>3 Teachers: \$7,200.00 |                           |                    | \$ 56,174.00                          | \$ 56,174.00                       |
| 3120                         | 3000 TRAVEL EXPENSES<br>Cost of transporting summer students to school, as well as maintenance fees.<br><br>Program<br>3121 Maintenance<br>3123 Mileage<br><br>\$519.73/per day x 180 days = \$93,552.  |                           |                    | \$ 93,552.00                          | \$ 93,552.00                       |
| TOTAL                        |   |                           |                    | \$ 149,726.00                         | \$ 149,726.00                      |

| PART I. PROGRAM INFORMATION:                  |  |                                       |                                    |
|---|--|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Program Name/Title: Rehoboth Christian School |  | Business Unit No.: XXXXX              |                                    |
| PART II. DETAILED BUDGET:                     |  |                                       |                                    |
| (A)   | (B)  | (C)                                   | (U)                                |
| Object Code (LOD 6)                           | Object Code Description and Justification (LOD 7)  | Total by DETAILED Object Code (LOD 6) | Total by MAJOR Object Code (LOD 4) |
| 4000  | <b>4000 SUPPLIES</b><br>Purchase tables with stools, chairs, supply cubbies, bins, easels, bean bag seating, projectors and screens.<br><br>Non Cap Assets<br>4210 Non Cap Furniture & Equip<br>\$56,174.00  | \$ 56,174.00                          | \$ 56,174.00                       |
| 6040  | <b>6000 REPAIRS &amp; MAINTENANCE</b><br>Renovation of buildings, flooring, painting, lighting fixtures repairs and A/V Wiring & Installation. HVAC Services.<br><br>Services<br>6050 Building R&M Services<br><div><div>Painting</div><div>Lighting</div><div>A/V Wiring &amp; Installation</div><div>\$ 3,000.00</div><div>\$ 1,000.00</div><div>\$ 1,500.00</div><div>\$ 500.00</div><div>\$ 6,000.00</div></div> | \$ 6,000.00                           | \$ 318,328.00                      |
| 6200  | External Contractors<br>6230 HVAC<br>\$ 312,328.00   | \$ 312,328.00                         |                                    |
| TOTAL   |  | \$ 374,502.00                         | \$ 374,502.00                      |

PART I. PROGRAM INFORMATION:

Program Name/Title:

Rehoboth Christian School

Business Unit No.:

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PART II. DETAILED BUDGET:

| (A)                 |                              | (B)  |                                       | (C)                                |  | (D) |
|---------------------|------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|-----|
| Object Code (LOD 6) |                              | Object Code Description and Justification (LOD 7)  | Total by DETAILED Object Code (LOD 6) | Total by MAJOR Object Code (LOD 4) |  |     |
| 6500                | CONTRACTUAL SERVICES         | Services to be provided for consultants for hands on weaving, Navajo language, Navajo culture teaching, promotion of the Navajo Code Talkers, etc. |                                       | \$ 5,000.00                        |  |     |
| 6910                | Other Contractual Services   |  | \$ 5,000.00                           |                                    |  |     |
|                     | 6921 Other Services          | \$5,000.00   |                                       |                                    |  |     |
| 7000                | SPECIAL TRANSACTIONS         | Literature/media materials, promotion of Navajo Code Talkers, history/culture of the Navajo Nation, etc.   |                                       | \$ 8,000.00                        |  |     |
| 7510                | Training & Professional Dues |  | \$ 8,000.00                           |                                    |  |     |
|                     | 7530 Training Supplies       | 8,000.00   |                                       |                                    |  |     |
| TOTAL               |                              |  | \$ 13,000.00                          | \$ 13,000.00                       |  |     |

EXHIBIT

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## THE NAVAJO NATION GRANT APPLICATION

|   |                   |                          |
|---|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Name of Entity: Rehoboth Christian School   |                   | Telephone: 505-726-9623  |
| Mailing Address: P.O. Box 41, Rehoboth, New Mexico, 87322   |                   | E-mail: bippel@rcsnm.org |
| Physical Address: 7B Tse Yaanichii Lane   |                   | IRS TIN/EIN #: 00-0000   |
| Website Address: www.rcsnm.org  |                   | DUNS #: 0000             |
| Grant Amount Requested: \$ 540,528  | Grant Start Date: | Grant End Date: FY 2023  |
| <b>DESCRIPTION OF ENTITY OR ORGANIZATION</b>  |                   |                          |
| <p>Describe the entity or organization requesting the grant.</p> <p>Rehoboth Christian School has been serving a 3,000 square mile area in New Mexico. Approximately 48 chapters are represented by the families of the 420 students who attend Rehoboth Christian School. 75% per cent of our student body identify as Navajo. Rehoboth Christian School has been serving students from the area since 1903.</p>   |                   |                          |
| <b>PROBLEMS/NEEDS STATEMENT</b>   |                   |                          |
| <p>Describe the problems and needs identified to be addressed through this funding request. Include relevant data such as the number and location of the Navajo population to be served.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Financial Resources to support Navajo Language instruction.</li> <li>2. Transportation costs of 3 bus routes which include Window Rock, Tohatchi and Crownpoint.</li> <li>3. Summer school Transportation/ Staff for a 3 week summer school program.</li> <li>4. Special Education Classroom- creating a new classroom as special education program expands.</li> <li>5. HVAC in the Elementary School- The elementary school has no HVAC which means security concerns with windows open and months of challenging learning environments as we face hotter temperatures and a greater need for instruction during the summer months.</li> </ol> |                   |                          |
| <b>METHODOLOGY</b>  |                   |                          |
| <p>Describe the services to be provided with the requested funds and how the services will address the problems and needs identified above.</p> <p>Detailed Description of Needs and Methodology attached.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. \$60,000 to help with two Navajo language teachers. (See Appendix A)</li> <li>2. \$93,528 to cover the costs/maintenance of three bus routes. (See Appendix B)</li> <li>3. \$20,127 towards summer school service to students by providing bus drivers, custodians and teachers for a 3 week summer school program. (See Appendix C)</li> <li>4. 417,869 Special Education Classroom Furniture/Renovation. (See Appendix D)</li> <li>5. \$350,000 HVAC system for Elementary School. (See Appendix E)</li> </ol>   |                   |                          |
| <b>NAVAJO NATION BRANCH OR DIVISION THROUGH WHICH THE REQUEST WILL BE PROCESSED</b>   |                   |                          |
| Navajo Nation Division or Branch:   |                   | Telephone number:        |
| Principal contact person:   |                   |                          |

## **A Navajo Language Teacher(s) and Resources Request**

Rehoboth Christian School teaches the Navajo language K-12. Currently there is a language teacher who teaches Navajo to the Kindergarten-8th grade students and another Navajo language teacher who teaches two sections of Navajo

### **Current Navajo Language Instruction Personnel and Resources**

Elementary/Middle School Personnel: (teaching 2 out of 7 periods Navajo Language)  
12,698

High School Personnel: (teaching 3 out of 7 periods in Navajo Language/Government)  
23,349

Total \$36,047

### **Would like to add to the program:**

Navajo Language Assistant 7653 (in order to better meet the wide variety of proficiency of our students at the Elementary and Middle School levels)

Rosetta Stone License \$3,300 ( in order to better meet the wide variety of proficiency of our students at the High School level

### **Materials**

Materials for Hands On Experiences K-12 \$2,000

Examples: Weaving material, clay, sand, ingredients for traditional Navajo food, butchering day for the Navajo language classes...

Guest Speakers and Field Trips \$3,000

Examples: Farina King, Luci Tapahonso, Darren Harvey- LANL, Navajo Names for Constellation at Rehoboth observatory, Window Rock Fair trip

Literature/Media by Navajo Writers and About Navajo Culture \$3,500

Examples: Individual books and classroom sets; movies that have Navajo subtitles (or are in Navajo, like Finding Nemo); opportunities for students to create Navajo ads for radio

Materials for and Promotion of the Rehoboth Navajo Code Talker Center \$4,500

Examples; Display Case for newly acquired donations for the Code Talker Center; Creation of Navajo Code Talker Competition for Area Schools; Train Rehoboth students to be docents sharing Navajo words and history with visitors; Stipend to pay a curator who will help the students and community benefit from the Code Talker Center)

**Total \$60,000**

| Route       | Fuel Cost 5 Day Week | Driver Pay 5 Day Week | Maintenance | Total Cost 5 Day Week |
|-------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| Crownpoint  | 253.12               | 686.35                | 43.52       | 982.99                |
| Tohatchi    | 138.07               | 536.55                | 43.52       | 718.14                |
| Window Rock | 167.65               | 686.35                | 43.52       | 897.52                |
| Zuni        | 152.31               | 686.35                | 43.52       | 882.18                |
| Houck       | 181.90               | 507.5                 | 43.52       | 732.92                |
| Gallup      | 38.35                | 686.35                | 43.52       | 768.22                |

| Oil Change/Normal Maintenance |                              |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 30.6                          | Oil Changes per year         |
| 6000                          | Labor for Normal maintenance |
| 3400                          | Oil and Filter Costs         |
| 9400                          | Total                        |
| 36                            | Total weeks                  |
| 261.11                        | Maintenance cost/week        |
| 43.52                         | Per bus                      |

| 5 Day Weekly Cost of CP, WR, Tohatchi |
|---------------------------------------|
| 2598.65                               |

\$519.73 per day  
x 180 days

\$93,528

**C Summer School Transportation and Student Support Staff \$20,000**

Due to the pandemic we are giving students the option of extending the school year by 3 weeks This funding will cover the cost of the bus drivers, administration assistants and custodians who normally do not work during the summer hours.

Rehoboth Christian School Summer School Transportation and Support Staff

3 Bus Drivers x 35 hours x \$19.61 x 3 weeks= \$6,177.15

2 Admin Assistants x 35 hours x \$15.00 x 3 weeks= \$3,150

2 Custodians x 40 hours x \$15.00 x 3 weeks= \$3,600

3 Teachers x 40 hours x \$20 x 3 weeks= \$7,200

**Total \$20,127**



## Rehoboth Christian School Special Education Classroom Renovation

### SPED Classroom Renovation/ Mid School Space Renovation Budget

| FFE (Furniture, Fixtures, Equipment)       | Quantity | Cost       | TOTAL              |
|--|----------|------------|--------------------|
| Flexible Seating Options- standing desk    | 4        | \$399.00   | \$1,596.00         |
| FSO- Standing Table with Stools            | 5        | \$797.00   | \$3,985.00         |
| Flexible Stools                            | 4        | \$149.00   | \$596.00           |
| Chairs                                     | 10       | \$60.00    | \$600.00           |
| Large Carpet/Rug                           | 1        | \$389.00   | \$389.00           |
| Student Supply Cubbies                     | 2        | \$499.00   | \$998.00           |
| Bins for Cubbies                           | 2        | \$99.50    | \$199.00           |
| Teaching Easel                             | 3        | \$449.00   | \$1,347.00         |
| Bean Bag Seating                           | 2        | \$199.00   | \$398.00           |
| Listening Center                           | 1        | \$279.00   | \$279.00           |
| Listening Center Storage Bins              | 1        | \$24.00    | \$24.00            |
| Headphones (pack of 8)                     | 1        | \$129.00   | \$129.00           |
| Listening Center CD Player w/Bluetooth     | 1        | \$129.00   | \$129.00           |
| A/V Projector & Mount                      | 1        | \$1,000.00 | \$1,000.00         |
| A/V Screen                                 | 1        | \$200.00   | \$200.00           |
| <b>SUBTOTAL</b>                            |          |            | <b>\$11,869.00</b> |
| <b>Physical Structure</b>                  |          |            |                    |
| Flooring                                   | 1        | \$3,000.00 | \$3,000.00         |
| Painting                                   | 1        | \$1,000.00 | \$1,000.00         |
| Lighting                                   | 1        | \$1,500.00 | \$1,500.00         |
| A/V Wiring & Installation                  | 1        | \$500.00   | \$500.00           |
| <b>SUBTOTAL</b>                            |          |            | <b>\$6,000.00</b>  |
| <b>Classroom Renovation TOTAL Expenses</b> |          |            | <b>\$17,869.00</b> |

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Horizon Enterprises Plumbing &  
Heating, Inc.  
500 E. Coal Ave  
Gallup, NM 87301



# PROPOSAL

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**Presented to:**  
**Rehoboth Christian School**  
PO Box 41  
Rehoboth, NM 87322

**Job #** 2120  
**Proposal #** P-2120-2  
**Technician**  
**Issue Date** Jun 17 2021

**Customer Contact:**  
H: (505) 863-4412  
M: (505) 726-9622  
E: jterborg@rcsnm.org

**Location Address:**  
PO Box 41  
Rehoboth, NM 87322

**Your Price: \$383,725.82**

## Carrier/Bryant HVAC System for Elementary School

Install 2 ea. 10 ton packaged units on east end of school  
Fabricate supply and return air ducting  
Install new supply and return air ducting for school

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\$354,276.58

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**Your Price \*includes tax** **\$383,725.82**

Sign up for a Maintenance Plan today!

### Proposal Notes:

Electrical and gas line supply is NOT included in this quote

The units are mainly for air-conditioning purposes.

The gas company of NM would have to determine if the existing gas line is adequate to tie-in the new packaged units

Each individual class room is to have a supply and return air duct in order to keep the air from becoming stagnate

### Customer Approval:

☐ I accept this proposal and agree to the terms and conditions.



3640 WEST HISTORIC HWY 66  
GALLUP, NM 87301  
Phone: 505-722-4747

## Quote

Quote Number: QT-210308-004

Quote Date: 03/08/2021

PO Number:

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Bill To: 001570

REHOBOTH CHRISTIAN SCHOOL  
P.O. Box 41  
Rehoboth, NM 87322

Service 001570-1

Location: REHOBOTH CHRISTIAN SCHOOL  
P.O. Box 41  
Rehoboth, NM 87322

### Description of Work

Elementary School to Mid School HVAC power project.

This estimate is to install conduit and wiring to power-up two large air conditioners with sanitizer functions, which are to be installed, and also to tie the Elementary power into the Mid-School, for the purpose of having 3-phase power for the A/C units. These A/C units will not pull more than 30 Amps 3-Phase with less than 60 amp disconnects.

Job Scope:

- 1) Install two main feeders to the East end of the school to the old panel locations.
- 2) Replace existing panels with 3 phase panels.
- 3) Pull in new wiring and install fuses in the main distribution as needed. Test panel voltages.
- 4) Install two conduits to HVAC units.
- 5) Install disconnects on HVAC units as needed.
- 6) Install a third conduit. Pull in the wiring for the main HVAC feeder to the units mounted outside. Feed with 1 feeder, split into two for HVAC use.
- 7) Install thermostat conduit as needed.
- 8) Power up and test rotation.
- 9) Remove extension cord wiring on the roof and install proper GFCI protection as needed.

If you have any questions please call. Thank you.

| Qty                  | Item ID        | Description                                 | Unit Price | Disc %   | Amount    |
|----------------------|----------------|---|------------|----------|-----------|
| <b>Parts</b>         |                |   |            |          |           |
| 2,000.00             | THHN3/0BLKSTR  | WIRE, #3/0 THHN BLACK COPPER STRANDED       | 5.83       |          | 11,660.00 |
| 500.00               | EMT200-CONDUIT | EMT CONDUIT 2" (SOLD PER FOOT)              | 5.51       |          | 2,755.00  |
| 1,000.00             | THHN2BLKSTR    | WIRE, #2 THHN BLACK COPPER STRANDED         | 2.57       |          | 2,570.00  |
| 250.00               | EMT150-CONDUIT | EMT CONDUIT 1-1/2" (SOLD PER FOOT)          | 4.71       |          | 1,177.50  |
| 6.00                 | TR200R         | FUSE, 200 AMP 250V TIME DELAY BLADE         | 36.24      |          | 217.44    |
| 3.00                 | TR100R         | FUSE, 100 AMP 250V TIME DELAY               | 14.97      |          | 44.91     |
|                      |                |   |            | SubTotal | 18,424.85 |
| <b>Labor</b>         |                |   |            |          |           |
| 40:00                |                | Supervise and monitor project               | 75.00      |          | 3,000.00  |
| 200:00               |                | Install Conduit, Panels, Wire & Disconnects | 65.00      |          | 13,000.00 |
| 200:00               |                | Install Conduit, Panels, Wire & Disconnects | 35.00      |          | 7,000.00  |
| 16:00                |                | Install Thermostat Conduit & Cable          | 65.00      |          | 1,040.00  |
| 16:00                |                | Install Thermostat Conduit & Cable          | 35.00      |          | 560.00    |
|                      |                |   |            | SubTotal | 24,600.00 |
| <b>Other Charges</b> |                |   |            |          |           |



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| NM CID Permit (If Required)  | 150.00          |
| 42 Circuit Bolt-On Panel with Main Breaker, Qty. 2                       | 2,500.00        |
| A/C Disconnects Not to exceed 60 Amp., Qty. 2                            | 950.00          |
| Hardware -- Strut Straps, Screws, Washers, Nuts, EMT Straps etc...       | 750.00          |
| Labor - Remove Existing Extension Cord & Install Power to the Antenna    | 800.00          |
| Material - Remove Existing Extension Cord & Install Power to the Antenna | 350.00          |
| Misc Hardware and Mounting For Conduit & Panels                          | 325.00          |
| Roof Jacks and Sealing Compounds   | 125.00          |
| Material - Install Thermostat Conduit & Cable                            | 475.00          |
| SubTotal   | <u>6,425.00</u> |

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

|                |                    |
|----------------|--------------------|
| Quote Subtotal | \$49,449.85        |
| Quote Tax      | \$3,337.86         |
| Quote Total    | <u>\$52,787.71</u> |



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TOM BEGAY  
PERNELL HALONA  
Vice President  
Council Delegate

JOAN M.

EXHIBIT

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BAH-21-04-29-015

## RESOLUTION OF BAHASTL'AH CHAPTER

### SUPPORTING THE REQUEST TO THE NAVAJO NATION BOARD OF EDUCATION AND HEALTH, EDUCATION, HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE (HEHSC) OF THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL FOR REHOBOTH CHRISTIAN SCHOOL REQUEST THE NEED TO CONTINUE SCHOOL OPERATION SCHOOL OPERATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$540,528.00

#### WHEREAS:

1. Pursuant to NNC Title 26; Chapter 1, Section 3(a) under the Local Governance act, the Bahastl'ah Chapter is a recognized certified Chapters(s) of the Navajo Nation Government as;
2. Pursuant to 26 NNC Title 26; Section 1 (B ) the Bahastl'ah Chapter is vested to review and recommend all matters affecting community to make appropriate corrections when necessary and to make recommendations to the Navajo Nation and other local agencies for appropriate actions and;
3. Bahastl'ah Chapter Community members is aware that Rehoboth Christian School accommodates and provides academic services for the community children based on its location and alleviates the need for parents to send their children to other schools and;
4. Rehoboth has historically been committed to providing education for Navajo students. Today 75% of Rehoboth students are Native Americans and;
5. Currently Rehoboth Christian School have 393 students from many chapters of the Navajo Nation. Our students come from a 3,000 square miles area.
6. Rehoboth Christian School has listed several projects for possible funding which would benefit the students as follows and;
  - A. Navajo Language Teacher and Resources \$60,000.00**  
Rehoboth Christian School teaches Navajo language from K-12. Currently we have a K-8 teacher and a 9-12 teachers who serve and;
  - B. Annual Bus Transportation to the communities of Window Rock, Tohatchi/Coyote Canyon and Thoreau/Crownpoint \$93,528.00**  
Rehoboth has 6 bus routes. Three (3) of the bus routes primarily serve students who live on the Navajo Nation. We use propane buses for our routes as a way to better tend to the environment and as a way to cut down fuel costs.
  - C. Summer School Transportation and Support staff \$20,000.00**  
(Due to pandemic we are giving students the option of extending the school year by three (3) months). This funding would cover salaries of bus drivers, administrative assistants and custodians who normally do not work in the summer as well as fuel costs for the buses which would include a total of six (6) routes.)
  - D. Student Support Classroom \$17,000.00**  
We are creating a classroom which services students who need extra academic support. We will be refurbishing and furnishing a classroom which will serve K-8 students at Rehoboth. Costs of the remodel of the current old elementary computer lab into this support classroom and the cost of furniture/resources and;
  - E. HVAC in the Elementary School \$350,000.00**  
Rehoboth uses the Elementary School during the school year and during the summer months. This older building does not have an air conditioning which makes learning a challenge from May to September. In addition, school safety has discouraged open doors and window as a way of cooling a building. For the purpose of student safety and education, an HVAC in the Elementary School would be of great benefit and;



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F. Total Request of \$540,528.00 and;

G. See Attachment of student, parents and chapters, and;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

The Bahastl'ah Chapter hereby approves the support the request to the Navajo Nation Board of Education and Health, Education, Human Services Committee (HEHSC) of the Navajo Nation Council for Rehoboth Christian School request the need to continue school operation in the amount of \$540,528.00.

**CERTIFICATION**

We hereby certify the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Bahastl'ah Chapter of the Navajo Nation at a duly called meeting at which a quorum was present and that same was passed by a vote of 04 in favor, 00 opposed and 01 abstained this 29th day of April 2021.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Norman John II", is written over a horizontal line.

*Norman John II, Chapter President*

Motion: Joan Nez

Second: Tom Begay



March 31, 2021

To Norman John,

Thank you for considering the needs of Rehoboth as you bring educational needs to District 14 Council. Rehoboth has historically been committed to providing education for Navajo students. Today 75% of Rehoboth students are Native American. Currently we have 393 students attending Rehoboth from many chapters of the Navajo Nation. Our students come from a 3,000 square mile area.

I have listed several projects for possible funding which would benefit the students of Rehoboth Christian School.

**A Navajo Language Teacher and Resources \$60,000**

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**C Summer School Transportation and Support Staff \$20,000**

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**D Student Support Classroom**

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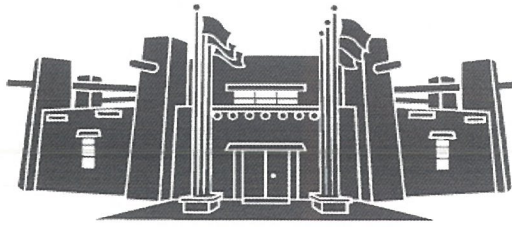
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challenge from May- September. In addition, school safety has discouraged open doors and windows as a way of cooling a building. For the purpose of student safety and education, an HVAC in the Elementary School would be of great benefit. **\$350,000**

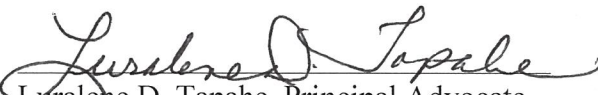
Total Request **\$ 540,528**





## MEMORANDUM

TO: Hon. Delegate Pernell Halona  
Health, Education, and Human Services Committee  
24<sup>th</sup> Navajo Nation Council

FROM:   
Luralene D. Tapahe, Principal Advocate  
Office of Legislative Counsel

DATE: January 11, 2022

SUBJECT: **AN ACT RELATING TO THE HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND HUMAN SERVICES, BUDGET AND FINANCE, AND NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEES, AND TO THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; APPROVING \$540,528 IN SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING FROM THE UNRESERVED, UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE TO REHOBOTH CHRISTIAN SCHOOL TO FUND STUDENT TRANSPORTATION COSTS, A NAVAJO LANGUAGE TEACHER POSITION, SUMMER SCHOOL EXPENSES, AND OTHER NEEDS**

Per your request, the Office of Legislative Counsel has prepared the above-referenced proposed legislation and related summary sheet. Based on existing Navajo Nation law and other applicable laws, this legislation as drafted is legally sufficient. However, as with any action of government, it may be subject to review by the Navajo Nation courts in the event of proper legal challenge.

**Please replace the FY2021 Budget Forms with FY2022 Budget Forms. Also, Budget Form No. 1 should state that the funding source is the UUFB. Please contact the Controller's Office and the Office of Management and Budget to provide their reviews of the documents.**

OLC has reviewed the appropriate standing committees' authorities to consider this legislation, based on the standing committees' powers and responsibilities set forth in Title 2 of the Navajo Nation Code. Based on its review, OLC has listed those committees in the title of this legislation. Nevertheless, the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council may assign this legislation to committee(s) other than those shown in the title, pursuant to his authority under 2 N.N.C. §164(A)(5).

If you find this document unacceptable for any reason, please immediately contact me at the Office of Legislative Counsel (at extension 7166) and advise me of the changes you would like made to this proposed legislation. Thank you.

THE NAVAJO NATION  
LEGISLATIVE BRANCH  
INTERNET PUBLIC REVIEW PUBLICATION



LEGISLATION NO: 0013-22

SPONSOR: Pernell Halona

**TITLE: An Act Relating to the Health, Education and Human Services, Budget and Finance, and Naabik'iyáti' Committees, and to the Navajo Nation Council; Approving \$540,528 in Supplemental Funding from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance to Rehoboth Christian School to Fund Student Transportation Costs, a Navajo Language Teacher Position, Summer School Expenses, and Other Needs**

***Date posted:*** January 19, 2022 at 5:20PM

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Written comments may be mailed to:

Executive Director  
Office of Legislative Services  
P.O. Box 3390  
Window Rock, AZ 86515  
(928) 871-7586

**Comments may be made in the form of chapter resolutions, letters, position papers, etc. Please include your name, position title, address for written comments; a valid e-mail address is required. Anonymous comments will not be included in the Legislation packet.**

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**Posted: January 19, 2022 at 5:20 PM**

**5 DAY Comment Period Ended: January 24, 2022**

**Digital Comments received:**

|                                 |             |
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| <b>Comments Supporting</b>      | <i>None</i> |
| <b>Comments Opposing</b>        | <i>None</i> |
| <b>Comments/Recommendations</b> | <i>None</i> |

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**Legislative Tracking Secretary  
Office of Legislative Services**

**January 25, 2022; 11:00 AM**

**Date/Time**

**THE NAVAJO NATION  
LEGISLATIVE BRANCH  
INTERNET PUBLIC REVIEW SUMMARY**

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**SPONSOR: Honorable Pernell Halona**

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**Digital Comments received:**

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| <b>Comments Supporting</b> | 1.) Geraldine Kee-Yazzie<br>2.) Gloriann Tom<br>3.) Steve Terborg<br>4.) Michael Tutt, M.D.<br>5.) Deanna Benson<br>6.) Angela Barker<br>7.) Bob Ippel<br>8.) Candi Running Bear<br>9.) Priscilla Armstrong-Ide<br>10.) Sierra Yazzie Asamoa-Tutu<br>11.) Becca Yazzie<br>12.) Autumn Yazzie-Newell<br>13.) Camilla Lynch<br>14.) Thijs Meester<br>15.) Deacon Leggett<br>16.) Sampson Newell<br>17.) Rhiannon Seciwa<br>18.) Lily Cavanaugh<br>19.) Dominique Delariva<br>20.) Chloe Frederiksen<br>21.) Jude Christensen |
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|                                 | 22.) Jonathan Zylstra<br>23.) James Newell<br>24.) Sean Baldonado<br>25.) Isaiah Arsenault Lovell<br>26.) Trajen West<br>27.) Teyalicia Arsenault-Lovell<br>28.) Michelle Sanchez<br>29.) Rose Bell<br>30.) Mr. and Mrs. Thompson & Rose Bell<br>31.) Wilhelmina Yazzie<br>32.) Jerry King<br>33.) Anthony Brown<br>34.) Vonda Claw<br>35.) Andrea Skeet<br>36.) Jason Arviso<br>37.) Kathlyn Copley<br>38.) Paxstin Dawes<br>39.) Jamie Frederiksen<br>40.) Duane Yazzie<br>41.) Melanie Begaye<br>42.) Melissa Teller<br>43.) Cynthia Yazzie |
| <b>Comments Opposing</b>        | <i>None</i>  |
| <b>Comments/Recommendations</b> | <i>None</i>  |



Legislative Tracking Secretary  
Office of Legislative Services

February 8, 2022; 11:00 AM  
Date/Time

Emailed to: [Comments@navajo-nsn.gov](mailto:Comments@navajo-nsn.gov)

January 27, 2022

Office of Legislative Services  
PO Box 3390  
Window Rock, AZ 86515

RE: Legislation #0013-22 – Approving \$540,528 in Supplemental Funding from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance to Rehoboth Christian School to Fund Student Transportation Costs, a Navajo Language Teacher position, Summer School Expenses, new HVAC/Air Conditioning in the Elementary School and other needs

Dear Speaker Damon and Members of the Committees,

In learning of the Rehoboth Christian School's (School) request for supplemental support from the Navajo Nation, I am compelled to voice my adamant support for this pending legislation.

As an active supporter of Rehoboth Christian School and parent to a current and former student, I am well aware of the school's on-going needs and continued shortfall in funding for critical activities and capital maintenance cost.

It is imperative that this request be given serious consideration, as the school combats the effect of the Covid pandemic and its impact on increasing costs.

In reflection of the School's past ministry and educational successes that have provided guidance and a positive influence on its student body that is, on average, 70% Native American, this guidance has driven 90% of its graduates to attend colleges and universities. Such success should not be overlooked, let alone under supported.

Please support #0013-22.

Regards,

Geraldine Kee-Yazzie  
Parent of Student at Rehoboth Christian School

Fort Defiance, AZ 86504  
gkee\_1@yahoo.com

# Legislation 0013-22

Gloriann Tom <GloriannTom@nnge.org>

Thu 1/27/2022 8:51 AM

To: comments <comments@navajo-nsn.gov>; Raymond Smith Jr. <rsmithjr@navajo-nsn.gov>;

Cc: Pernell Halona <pernellhalona@navajo-nsn.gov>;

Gloriann Tom

Lupton, Arizona 86508

Rehoboth Parent to two (2) students.

Good morning Honorable Delegate Pernell Halona and Honorable Raymond Smith Jr.,

I have two of my children currently attending Rehoboth Christian High School, they attend each day to focus on getting a quality education that will build their learning skills for the future. I am Navajo and I am from Lupton, Arizona, I currently employed with the tribe and work everyday to ensure my children get to school and received a good education. I pay for the tuition out of pocket and really grateful for any funding towards the cause.

With that being said, I know each delegate is very busy and time is precious but please support and approve Legislation 0013-22 to provide funding so the students especially the focus on preserving the Navajo language through teaching the language to the students. I also appreciate the summer school program to keep the children active and to continue their learning.

I rarely ask for assistance from the Navajo tribe but his will be appreciated and a lot of Navajo students will benefits from it as well as the parents such as I.

Thank you.

Gloriann Tom

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# Legislation 0013-22

Steve Terborg <sterborg@rcsnm.org>

Wed 1/26/2022 1:15 PM

To: comments <comments@navajo-nsn.gov>;

Yá'át'ééh friends,

My name is Steve Terborg. I work at Rehoboth Christian School and have for about 13 years now I appreciate all that has been given so far from the Navajo Nation in support of our teachers and students over the many years.

I teach Spanish to high school students and we interact often with our amigos in the elementary building throughout the year. As a language teacher, I promote and understand the importance of continued language learning. Our Navajo, Diné Bizaad, language learning is abruptly cut off at the middle school age and needs support. Thanks for considering that endeavor.

My wife, Clarissa Johnson, teaches first grade full time. She is Navajo and needs support as well. I am able to connect our classes with learning opportunities often throughout the year and we witness the discomfort of improper heating/cooling, especially August and September, that they endure in the wing of their building. Support given to install heating and cooling would greatly benefit the teachers and students of the elementary building, whose classes consist of more than 75% native students.

Your work in decision making is an incredible opportunity!

Ahéheé

Steve Terborg

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Gracias,

**Señor Steve**

**High School Spanish Teacher**

**Work Study Coordinator**

**Junior Seminar Teacher**



Rehoboth Christian School

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# Full support of 0013-22

Tutt, Michael <Michael.Tutt@fdihb.org>

Wed 1/26/2022 4:38 PM


To: comments <comments@navajo-nsn.gov>;

Good afternoon:

Three of my kids matricualted through the Rehoboth school system and now two are in college. One still attends Rehoboth as a ninth grader. I am in full support of the 0013-22.

Thank you,

**Michael Tutt, M.D.**  
**Chief Medical Officer**  
**Tsehoostooi Medical Center**  
**FDIHB, Inc.**

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# Writing to support support for 0013-22

Deanna Benson <[dbenson@rcsnm.org](mailto:dbenson@rcsnm.org)>

Thu 1/27/2022 2:44 PM

To: comments <[comments@navajo-nsn.gov](mailto:comments@navajo-nsn.gov)>;

Hello Council Delegates of the Navajo Nation,

I am writing to you today to ask for your support on legislation 0013-22 which is requesting for \$540,000 to help Rehoboth Christian School with the installation of a heating/cooling system in the Elementary School, with funding for resources and staff for our Navajo Language program, for transportation costs and for funding for summer educational opportunities. It is sponsored by Delegate Pernell Halona.

As an alumni, parent and employee of Rehoboth Christian School I understand the importance of giving our children the best possible opportunities. I have two daughters who attend school here. My youngest daughter is in the 4th grade and my oldest daughter is in the 10th grade. For many years my children have benefited from the summer programs that take place at Rehoboth. I know many students would benefit from improvements made to the Navajo Language program, summer educational opportunities and transportation. The current building in the elementary school is outdated and could definitely use some upgrades. This would be a possibility that would allow our students to learn in a more comfortable environment. I appreciate all you do to help the people of the Navajo Nation. I hope you would consider helping our students with this legislation. I appreciate your time in reading my email. Wishing you all a healthy and blessed New Year!

Sincerely,

**Deanna Benson** | Campus Hostess and Volunteer Coordinator

Rehoboth Christian School

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Rehoboth, NM 87322

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# Financial Support for RCS

Angela Barker <abarker@rcsnm.org>

Thu 1/27/2022 2:43 PM

To: comments <comments@navajo-nsn.gov>;

Dear Sirs/Madam:

I am writing to you in regards to legislation 0013-22. I am a teacher and librarian here at Rehoboth Christian School. It is imperative that some of these students come to Rehoboth. I believe it is a safe haven for many students.

Since it is a private school, we don't get a lot of financial support except from the parents and donors. In recent years, our donor base has dwindled. Parents are having a hard time making ends meet, but they want their children to attend our school.

I believe it would be in the best interest of our students if the council would pass this piece of legislation.

I thank you for considering this and making the financial support come to fruition.

Respectfully,

**Angela A. Barker** | Elem.Navajo/Reading/Elem/Mid Librarian

**Rehoboth Christian School**

Rehoboth, NM 87322

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0013-22

Bob Ippel <bippel@rcsnm.org>

Thu 1/27/2022 2:42 PM

To: comments <comments@navajo-nsn.gov>;

January 27, 2022

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Bob Ippel and I am the Executive Director of Rehoboth Christian School.

I have been at Rehoboth for 29 years and most of our children and grandchildren call New Mexico home. I would like to give a heartfelt thanks that the Navajo Nation is considering this funding request for various aspects of the work of Rehoboth Christian School. Rehoboth, established in 1903, is still committed to being part of the Native American community- working alongside each other as we try to give a solid education to all of our students. 75% of our students are Native American and most are enrolled in the Navajo Nation. This funding would benefit these and all Rehoboth students. We take delight in the fact that ALL of our Elementary students are able to take Navajo class- no matter what their ethnic background. We are thrilled to be able to provide transportation to such communities as Window Rock, Crownpoint and Sanders. We appreciate our partnership with the Navajo Nation in encouraging youth to discover their gifts and to serve their communities. Thank you again for your consideration of this legislation which helps us to get students safely to school, which creates safe and effective learning environments and which gives us greater access to curricular resources.

Bob Ippel  
Rehoboth Christian School

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Bob Ippel | Executive Director



[bippel@rcsnm.org](mailto:bippel@rcsnm.org) |

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# legislation 0013-22

Candi Running Bear <candirunningbear@gmail.com>

Fri 1/28/2022 10:22 AM

To: comments <comments@navajo-nsn.gov>;

Cc: Bob Ippel <bippel@rcsnm.org>;

Hello,

I am writing this comment to show support of legislation 0013-22

Respectfully,

Candi Running Bear

Fort Defiance, AZ 86504

Rehoboth Christian School Parent

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# Legislation 0013-22

Priscilla Armstrong-Ide <parmstro@gmcs.org>

Fri 1/28/2022 11:51 AM

To: comments <comments@navajo-nsn.gov>;

Since Rehoboth Christian school is not a public school more funding is needed to allow the continuation of education for our native students. We constantly need fuel for our buses that travel throughout the the border reservation of Rehoboth NM. Continued education throughout the summer benefits students with extra educational needs. We need a full time Navajo language program that would also fund more Diné language teachers at every level of school not just part-time. The funding you allotted to our children would benefit them greatly.

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# Please support 0013-22

Sierra Asamoa-Tutu <sierra.yazzie@gmail.com>

Fri 1/28/2022 11:51 AM

To: comments <comments@navajo-nsn.gov>; Edmund E. Yazzie <edmundyazzie@navajo-nsn.gov>;

Ya'at'eeh,

I'm writing to request support for tribal resolution 0013-22 (sponsored by Delegate Pernell Halona). This legislation includes funding for Rehoboth toward school infrastructure improvements, Navajo language resources, and summer school programs which would help working families.

I am a parent and board member at Rehoboth and strongly support the proposed funding to help this academic institution improve the learning environment and cultural content for Navajo students, who are the majority of our student body.

The staff and families of RCS work to provide students with a holistic education for life, something I believe is inherently congruent with Dine values. Thank you for your commitment to our community and nation in a very challenging time.

Respectfully,

Sierra Yazzie Asamoa-Tutu  
/ Churchrock Chapter

Rehoboth NM 87322

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# Legislation 0013-22

Becca Yazzie <byazzie@rcsnm.org>

Fri 1/28/2022 11:51 AM

To: comments <comments@navajo-nsn.gov>;

Hi,

My name is Becca Yazzie and I am the 3rd grade teacher at Rehoboth Christian School. I am emailing to ask for funding and support for our school through legislation 0013-22. This support from the Navajo Nation would help our school in so many ways: support for Navajo Language teaching, supplies and materials for our special education program, transportation assistance to get our kids to school, and air conditioning for our elementary school where we suffer and struggle in the heat during the late summer/early fall months.

I hope that you will consider supporting us with these wonderful opportunities for our Native kids!

Blessings,

Mrs. Becca Yazzie

Gallup, NM

Rehoboth Christian School 3rd Grade Teacher

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# Legislation 0013-22

Autumn Newell <ajnewell@rcsnm.org>

Fri 1/28/2022 11:51 AM

To: comments <comments@navajo-nsn.gov>;

To whom it may concern:

I am a parent of students in Rehoboth Christian Elementary School. My boys, who are in middle school, have finished elementary school, but my daughter is in second grade. We have loved that our children get a quality education at their school. They are taught so many interesting things and we are all better because of the school. I am writing in favor of the legislation that would bring money to our school because I support the good work of the teachers there and the education my children have received. I know that my sons and my daughter will continue to grow and learn. To do so in the comfort of good heating and cooling will make their education even better. I appreciate all the teachers, the counselor, the custodians, the secretary, the classroom aides and volunteers. This grant would benefit everyone in the school in so many ways, so I hope you will generously consider giving the school this money.

Thank you,

Autumn Yazzie-Newell

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# Support 0013-22

Camilla Lynch <camillalynch@rcsnm.org>

Fri 1/28/2022 11:53 AM

To: comments <comments@navajo-nsn.gov>;

Good Morning!

My name is Camilla Lynch and I work at Rehoboth Christian High School. I am writing this letter in support of 0013-22, our school could use the funding to update our heating/cooling systems for our Elementary School. There have been many days where our students have to sit in a hot classroom trying to pay attention and learn. We do everything that we can to cool the buildings down by providing fans, opening windows and at times turning off the fluorescent lights to reduce the heat that comes off the light.

I think that our school would benefit with a sufficient cooling/heating unit for our Elementary school. Thank you for the continued support for our children and our school. Have a great day!

Camilla Lynch  
High School Secretary  
Rehoboth Christian School

[camillalynch@rcsnm.org](mailto:camillalynch@rcsnm.org)

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# Please Support Bill 0013-22

Thijs Meester <thijsmeester@rcsnm.org>

Fri 1/28/2022 11:53 AM

To: comments <comments@navajo-nsn.gov>;

Dear Navajo Nation Council,

Hello my name is Thijs Meester, and I am a 7th grader at Rehoboth Christian School. I do not live on the Navajo Nation, I live in Gallup, very near to Rehoboth.

I am writing to urge you to support Bill 0013-22. When I was in 5th grade, it would get so hot in the classroom that it made it harder to learn. If there was heating/cooling it would have been much easier. I really hope that future students will have it easier than I did.

Thank you so much for your time.

Sincerely,  
Thijs Meester

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# Please Support Bill 0013-22

Fri 1/28/2022 11:53 AM

To: comments <comments@navajo-nsn.gov>;

Dear Navajo Nation Council,

My name is Deacon Leggett. I am a 7th grader at Rehoboth Christian School. I live in Gallup. I am writing to urge you to support Bill 0013-22. It would be good for the Elementary to fund a heater and a cool air conditioning. It was so hot it was so hard to focus when I was in 5th grade.

Thank you for reading this.

Sincerely,

Deacon Leggett

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# Please Support Bill 0013-22

Sampson Newell <sampsonnewell@rcsnm.org>

Fri 1/28/2022 11:53 AM

To: comments <comments@navajo-nsn.gov>;

Dear Navajo Nation Council,

Hello, my name is Sam Newell, and I am a 7th grade student at Rehoboth Christian School, who also lives in Rehoboth.

I am writing to urge you to support bill 0013-22, which will provide funding for a heating and cooling system in the elementary school, an expanded Navajo Language and Culture education, and some expanded programs. As a student, I can tell you that it is very important when learning that the classroom is not too hot or too cold, when it is, it is very hard to focus. I remember when I was in elementary school, the classroom would sometimes get up to 90 degrees, and it was terrible, with a cooling system teachers could regulate the temperature in their classrooms and their students would be able to focus better.

Thank you for taking the time to read my email, and thank you for everything you do for the Navajo Nation.

Sincerely,

Sam Newell

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# Please Support Bill 0013-22

Rhiannon Seciwa <rhiannonseciwa@rcsnm.org>

Fri 1/28/2022 11:53 AM

To: comments <comments@navajo-nsn.gov>;

Dear Navajo Nation Council,

Hello. My name is Rhiannon Seciwa and I live in Gallup, New Mexico. I am an 8th grader at Rehoboth Christian School.

I am writing to urge you to support Bill 0013-22, which provides funding to Rehoboth Christian School for a heating and cooling system. The reason why is because I think it would be better if the temperature is not too hot or too cold. This will help students focus on work.

Thank you for taking time to read my email, and for your service to the people of the Navajo Nation.

Sincerely,

**Rhiannon Seciwa**

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# Please Support Bill 0013-22

Lily Cavanaugh <lilycavanaugh@rcsnm.org>

Fri 1/28/2022 11:54 AM

To: comments <comments@navajo-nsn.gov>;

Dear Navajo Nation Council,

My name is Lily Cavanaugh, I am in 7th grade at Rehoboth Christian School, and I live in Gallup, New Mexico.

I am writing because I fully support Bill 0013-22, and I hope you will too! I strongly agree with the fact that Rehoboth Elementary school needs a heating and cooling system. I remember when I was in Elementary School here, and at the beginning of school, it was VERY hot in the classrooms. The teachers had multiple plug-in fans all over the place. The windows were open, and kids were complaining. I always remember the complaining. The poor teachers had to hear that continually ALL DAY. Can you imagine their pain? I strongly urge you to support Bill 0013-22.

Thank you for taking the time to read this email and help support Rehoboth!!

Sincerely,  
Lily Cavanaugh  
7th grade

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# Please Support Bill 0013-22

Dominique Delariva <dominiquedelariva@rcsnm.org>

Fri 1/28/2022 11:54 AM

To: comments <comments@navajo-nsn.gov>;

Dear Navajo Nation Council,

Hello, my name is Dominique Delariva and I am a 7th grader at Rehoboth middle school. I live in Gallup, NM.

I am writing to urge you to support Bill 0013-22, which provides funding to Rehoboth Christian School for a heating and cooling system, expanded Navajo Language and Culture education, and some expanded programs. As a student here at Rehoboth I can tell you how important it is for student learning that a classroom not be too hot or cold. Our current elementary building gets extremely warm in the months of the beginning and end of the school year, this is hard for a student to focus and learn.

Thank you for taking time to read my email, and for your service to the Navajo Nation.

Sincerely,

Dominique Delariva  
Rehoboth Middle School

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# Please Support Bill 0013-22

Fri 1/28/2022 11:54 AM

To: comments <comments@navajo-nsn.gov>;

Dear Navajo Nation Council,

My name is Chloe Frederiksen, I live in Gallup. I am in 7th grade at Rehoboth Christian School.

I am writing to urge you to please Support Bill 0013-22, which provides funding to Rehoboth Christian school for a heating and cooling system, expanded Navajo Language and Culture education, and some expanded programs. As a student, I can tell you how important it is to be in a classroom with an even temperature so you can focus better in class.

Thank you for reading my email,

Sincerely,

Chloe Frederiksen

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Jude Christensen <judechristensen@rcsnm.org>

Fri 1/28, 11:58 AM

comments

Reply

Dear Navajo Nation Council,

Hi, my name is Jude Christensen, I live at 2 Kestrel lane, Gallup NM. I am a student at Rehoboth Middle School.

I am emailing to show my support of bill 0013-22, which provides funding to my school. The staff here would spend the money on a heating and cooling system for the elementary school. I think they would also spend some on our Navajo language and Culture education and some other expanded programs. As a student, I can tell you how much easier it is to learn in a warm classroom than a cold one. Our middle school has a heater which is very nice, unfortunately the elementary students have to suffer the heats and colds of New Mexico.

Thank you for taking time to read my email and for your service to the Navajo Nation.

Kindest regards,

Jude Christensen

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## Please Support Bill 0013-22

Jonathan Zylstra <jonathanzylstra@rcsnm.org>

Fri 1/28, 11:59 AM

comments

Reply

Dear Navajo Nation Council,

I am Jonathan Zylstra I live in Gallup New Mexico and attend Rehoboth Christian School in the 8th grade.

I have attended Rehoboth Christian school since kindergarten and I know the need we have for a new heating and cooling system in the elementary. There were times when teachers preferred to take students outside to take notes than sit in the classroom just because the classroom was extremely hot.

Thank you for taking time out of your day and reading this email.

Sincerely

Jonathan Zylstra

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## Please Support Bill 0013-22

James Newell <jamesnewell@rcsnm.org>

Fri 1/28, 11:59 AM  
comments

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Dear Navajo Nation Council,

Hello, my name is James Newell. I live in Rehoboth NM on

. I am an 8th grade student at rehoboth christain school

I am asking you to support bill 0013-22, this bill gives funding to rehoboth for a heating and cooling system for the elementary, more Navajo language and culture education for our schools and it will also support more expanded programs. I remember coming into school after playing hard outside for recess and it was just as hot inside we could not focus, it was uncomfortable sometimes the teachers would open the window on a breezy day and would cool us off but papers would blow around. If they had a cooling system it would allow the students to focus and the teachers would be able to get more things done.

Thankyou for reading this email and please consider this, And serving for the Navajo Nation

Sincerely,James Newell

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## Please Support Bill 0013-22

Sean Baldonado <seanbaldonado@rcsnm.org>

Fri 1/28, 11:59 AM

comments

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Dear Navajo Nation Council,

My name is Sean Baldonado, I am a 7th grade student at Rehoboth Christian School. I live in Gallup NM.

I am writing to you because I think you need to support Bill 0013-22. The heating and air conditioning system in the Elementary School. In the early years of school the Elementary can get very hot, and at the end of the year it drops, and becomes very cold, I know this because I was here in 5th grade. My Dad is a 6th Grade teacher and he likes the idea of putting in new heating and cooling systems, sometimes he opens a window when it gets too hot, and because the windows are old they don't work too well.

Thank you for taking the time to read my email, and for the service to the people of the Navajo Nation.

Sincerely, Sean Baldonado

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## Please Support Bill 0013-22

Isaiah Arsenault-Lovell <isaiaharsenaultlovell@rcsnm.org>

Fri 1/28, 11:59 AM

comments

Reply

Dear Navajo Nation Council

Hello, my name is Isaiah Arsenault Lovell and I live at . I am a 7th grader at Rehoboth middle school.

I am writing to urge you to Support Bill 0013-22, which helps the rehoboth elementary part stay cool and heated. I think it is important to have proper heating and cooling because it helps them learn better feel better in their classrooms.

Thank you

sincerely isaiah Arsenault Lovell

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Please support Bill 0013-22

Trajen West &lt;trajenwest@rcsnm.org&gt;

Yesterday, 1:11 PM

comments; Phil Neilson <pneilson@rcsnm.org>

Reply all |

## Action Items

Dear Navajo Nation Council,

Hello, my name is Trajen West, I live at Gallup New Mexico. I am an 8th grader at Rehoboth Christain School.

I am writing about bill 0013-22, that provides a cooling a heating system in the Rehoboth Elementry. As a student, I can tell you that a cooling and heating system would be gladly needed in elementary. Trust me i know because i was an elementary student at Rehoboth. And in the summer times trust me it gets so hot. when it's hot everyone is just grained from doing any work.

thank you for your time have a good afternoon

Sincerely Trajen West

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## Please Support Bill 0013-22

Teyalicia Arsenault-Lovell <teyaliciaarsenaultlovell@rcsnm.org>

Yesterday, 1:11 PM

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Dear Navajo nation,

Hello, my name is Teya and i live in the Hospital area in Gallup, NM. I am a 7th grader at Rehoboth Chistian School.

I am writing to urge you to support Bill 0013-22, which provides funding to Rehoboth Chistian School for a heating and cooling system, expanded Navajo Language and Culture education, and some expanded programs. As a student, I can tell you how important it is for a student learning that a classroom is not to hot or cold. Our current Elementary building gets extremely warm in the months at the beginning of the school year and the end of the school year, and this is especially detrimental to students focus and learning.

Thank you for taking the time to read this email, and for your service of the Navajo nation.

sincerely

Teyalicia Arsenault- Lovell

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# Rehoboth Grant

Michelle Sanchez <michelle\_sanchez11@hotmail.com>

Tue 2/1/2022 1:11 PM

To: comments <comments@navajo-nsn.gov>;

Ya at eeh Council members,

I am requesting for council approval of the grant for the Rehoboth school.

My child began school at Rehoboth beginning in the 9th Grade. We are enrolled members of the Navajo Nation but we live in Zuni NM. I am so grateful for the bus service to Zuni. As a working parent, it would be nearly impossible to send my child to Rehoboth. At Rehoboth, my child is able to take Navajo language\government classes and be around those with the same cultural background.

My child has been able to excel academically as well as in sports and band. The tribal scholarship have made this opportunity affordable. My child is ready for the college level thru the classes available at the school. The Christian based value and responsibility have been exhibited by staff which in turn my child has learned to exhibit.

I support Rehoboth and hope the council does too.

Ahe'hee,

Sent from my iPhone

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Rose Bell <rosebell12093@gmail.com>

Yesterday, 1:12 PM  
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Greetings from the parents of Nathanael, Adonijah, and Ezekiel Bell. As student of Rehoboth Christian School, my boys are excelling in their education In all different subjects.

Writing in support of Rehoboth Christian School in their endeavors to improve the school facilities for the safety of the students is very much appreciated. Having a School that works with the parents aiming for the best interest of each student is very evident.

Having the student body made up of a very high percent of our Navajo children, we are asking our counsel to seriously consider allocating the amount that has been requested.

We, as parents of our three students that attends Rehoboth Christian School are thankful in advance for your support and consideration of the request made by Rehoboth Christian School.

Again thank you,

Mr. and Mrs. Thompson & Rose Bell

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rCS parent <rcsparent@rcsnm.org>

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Ya'at'eeh,

I am a parent of 2 students at Rehoboth Christian School. This letter is in support of Legislation 0013-22 to support our students. We are in need of a Navajo language program for our Navajo students. It is imperative that our students receive your support to help them excel in school with their academics and be prepared for college and career development. We ask that you support our school and students, it is very much needed and appreciated.

Ahe'hee'

Wilhelmina Yazzie (parent)

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rCS parent <rcsparent@rcsnm.org>

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My name is Jerry King from Iyanbito. I live at [redacted] I worked at Elementary Wingate Dorm for many years. I am writing to support this request from Rehoboth Christian School.Thank you for your support of this legislation.  
Jerry King

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rca parent <rcaparent@rcsnm.org>

Yesterday, 1:12 PM

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Hello my name is Anthony Brown and I'm a first year parent here Rehoboth Christian High School our daughter is Angelina Brown she is a sophomore. We are from Continental Divide, New Mexico. Our address is \_\_\_\_\_ ew Mexico 87312. We support the legislative request for Rehoboth Christian School. Our daughter rides the bus for Thoreau every morning to school.

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## RCS Parent Support for legislation 0013-22 sponsored by Delegate Pernell Halona

vonda claw <vondaclaw@hotmail.com>

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Dear Navajo Nation Legislation Representatives,

Please accept this letter as a formal letter in support of the requested \$540,000 from the Navajo Nation to help Rehoboth Christian School with the installation of a heating/cooling system in the Elementary School, with funding for resources and staff for our Navajo Language program, for transportation costs and for funding for summer educational opportunities as requested through legislation 0013-22, which is sponsored by Delegate Pernell Halona.

My name is Vonda Claw, I am Navajo and live in Window Rock Arizona (St. Michaels Chapter). My daughter, Zoe Claw, has attended RCS for the past 9-years since our return to the Navajo Nation to help my elderly parents in their senior years. I am a firm believer that adult children should return to take care of our elderly parents and give back to what they have given to us, a life of sacrifice to see the next generation succeed. I am proud that our Creator has given my daughter and I the ability to be something positive for our tribe, our community and our family. I am equally proud that our Navajo Nation has the ability to sponsor our Navajo children with financial aid and necessities by aiding good quality schools who are teaching our youth to be individuals of integrity. With strong characteristics of honesty, leadership, servitude, accountability and respect we need for our tribe to flourish, I whole heartedly support Delegate Pernell Halona's sponsorship for legislation 0013-22.

I look forward to seeing our children get a valued and continued education from Rehoboth Christian School with a heating/cooling system that is functional and in which creates an environment where kids can be able to learn in comfort and in joy. A classroom where our Navajo language can be taught with encouragement and exuberance. Where parents, grandparents and guardians are supported with high standards of good transportation methods and less worry. Where educational opportunities are year around if needed and talents, skill and abilities of our youth are fortified so that they are given the encouragement they need to have healthy self-esteem in and out of the classroom.

Our communities have been set back enough by this terrible Covid-19 virus and its time to bounce back with a leap of faith that our children and our communities will succeed in all they put their hands to and that we will see our families flourish once again in a healthy environment.

I applaud our Navajo Nations efforts in this time of come back and I am grateful for their high consideration in support of our families through this 0013-22 legislation. I look forward to this legislation passing and seeing our kids happy with a good, solid future they deserve!

Sincerely,  
Vonda Claw,  
RCS Parent

Window Rock, AZ 86515

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andrea skeet <andrea.skeet@yahoo.com>

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To: comments <comments@navajo-nsn.gov>;

I would like to submit my support for this legislation. I have a daughter who graduated from Rehoboth in 2018 and two children attending right now that will benefit greatly from this legislation.

Thank you!

Andrea Skeet, Rehoboth parent

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# Support of 0013-22

Jason Arviso <jarviso@navajotech.edu>

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Delegate Mark Freland,  
Jason and Coleen Arviso support legislation 0013-22. We are parents at Rehoboth Christian High School. Our child has attended 4 years and the academic and student support she received has proven to be instrumental in her development as a citizen of the Navajo Nation. The school offers many opportunities to the students and they need the additional funding to continue the necessary services to our children.

Voting members of  
Crownpoint Chapter,                    1 Crownpoint New Mexico.

Jason Arviso  
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## Please Support Bill 0013-22

Kathlyn Copley <kathlyncopley@rcsnm.org>

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Dear Navajo Nation Council,

Hello, my name is Kathlyn Copley, and I live at . Gallup, NM. I am a 7th grade student that has attended Rehoboth Christain School for 8 years.

I am sending you this email to show the support, from a student, for the Bill 0014-22. This is a bill that will provide money so this school will have a heating/cooling system, expanded Navajo Language and Culture education, and other programs. From experience, I know how much the elementary school needs this heating/cooling system. I recall students pushing to get close to fans when it got closer to summer time and layers upon layers of clothes in the winter. I hope that in the future the next classes will not have to experience this inconvenience and focus as much as they can on their school work and not just the temperature.

Thank you for your time to read this email and all the work you do for the Navajo Nation.

Sincerely,

Kathlyn Copley

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## Please Support Bill 0013-22

Paxstin Dawes <paxstindawes@rcsnm.org>

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Dear Navajo Nation Council

Hello, my name is Paxstin, I am a 8th Grader at Rehoboth Christian School

I urge you to support Bill 0013-22, it would provide Rehoboth Christain School with a heating and cooling system, a better Navajo language and culture education and more expanded programs. As a Student it is very important that I am in a comfortable environment to learn. The temperature can often be too cold or too hot making it very hard to learn.

Thank you for the time you gave me to read my email,

Take care,

Paxstin

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Jamie Frederiksen <jfrederiksen@rcsnm.org>

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Good afternoon,

My name is Jamie Frederiksen. I am a parent and teacher at Rehoboth Christian School. I am also an alumni of RCS. Legislation 0013-22 would make a huge difference in the lives of all those that are a part of the Rehoboth community. I am a teacher in the elementary school and the installation of a heating/cooling system in the elementary school would be so beneficial!! Without it the school can get up to 90 degrees. It is so hard to learn and teach when it is so hot! We have also offered a summer school program for years, this has always been hindered by the hot temperatures, with a cooling system we would be able to offer a better learning environment and experience for all!! It would also be incredible to have funding for the Navajo language program. This is such an important and vital part of this area and as a school it would be incredible to have funding designated to continue to build this program. Thank you for considering this. I am a strong advocate and supporter of this legislation.

Jamie Frederiksen

Teacher/Parent at Rehoboth Christian School

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Rehoboth Christian School

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## Legislation 0013-22

Duane Yazzie <[dyazzie@rcsnm.org](mailto:dyazzie@rcsnm.org)>

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Friday, January 28, 2022

Honorable Members of the 24th Navajo Nation Council:

We, the second grade students at Rehoboth Christian School, are respectfully asking each of you to support Legislation 0013-22 that will benefit our school in the following ways:

- funding student transportation costs,
- funding a Navajo Language Teacher Position,
- funding summer school expenses, and
- funding other needs, one of which is a heating and cooling system for the Elementary School.

As a class, we discussed the importance of these items and rated each as "Super Important." We encourage you to vote in favor of providing funds that will meaningfully support our school.

Thank you for listening to our young voices. We prayerfully hope you consider our request.

Respectfully (submitted on behalf of our 2nd Grade Class),

melissa teller <MMBTeller@outlook.com>

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This email is in regards to the legislation for Approving \$540,528 in Supplemental Funding from the Unreserved, Undesignated Fund Balance to Rehoboth Christian School to Fund Student Transportation Costs, a Navajo Language Teacher Position, Summer School Expenses, and Other Needs.

I would like to state that I do not agree with this legislation. My reasons are:

1. The school does not have a Navajo language teacher, but they will not teach our traditional ways and culture. I know first hand that they teach strict doctrine Christian values and do not combine with Navajo culture and tradition.
2. This money would be better used for the Reservation schools. They have millions of dollars in funding from other sources.
3. Their transportation department has already had an overhaul in 2019-2020. They raised money and bought a whole new fleet of busses with a great long term care plan for sustainability. As far as I know, their transportation department is full funded and brand new.
4. The summer programs are only for students who need additional help for grades. I support this but they have private funding for these and public funding from the state for such programs.

I believe in supporting our Native students, but in this case, I feel that the Native students are overlooked and will not benefit DIRECTLY from this money. I am a Navajo member and my children attend Rehoboth. I do not see this money impacting Rehoboth for Navajo children. Look at the statistics for our Navajo children there. Do your research before voting for this. I ask that you revise this amount for a lesser one or vote red for this legislation.

Thank you

Melanie Begaye

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## Support for Legislation No. 0013-22

Cynthia Yazzie <twinkletoes\_cindy@yahoo.com>

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I am writing to support Legislation No. 0013-22. My child has been an elementary student for three years at Rehoboth Elementary and she enjoys every minute of class. I was notified by Rehoboth School that a Legislation is being considered to fund installation of a heating/cooling system in the Elementary school, funds for Navajo Language program, transportation costs, and funds for summer educational opportunities.

My daughter is Navajo and resides in Tohatchi, NM. She speaks her native language by introducing herself in Navajo, saying her four clanships, citing her numbers to 20, and singing. The Rehoboth School has been outstanding over the past three years and I am amazed with the amount of Navajo words my child has been taught. I truly support the Navajo Language program and other programs at the school.

I am requesting that the Navajo Nation Council approve this legislation to help support and further enhance the education for the Rehoboth students. Your support will go to great lengths.

Thank you!

Cynthia Yazzie-Garcia, Rehoboth Parent

Tohatchi, NM 87325

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