

RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
(Supporting Tohono O'odham Nation's Permanent Children's Home Community
Project Funding Proposal)

RESOLUTION NO. 21-121

1 **WHEREAS,** the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation vests the Legislative Council with
2 the authority "to promote, protect and provide for public health, peace, morals,
3 education and general welfare of the Tohono O'odham Nation and its members"
4 and to "consult with the Congress of the United States and appropriate federal
5 agencies regarding federal activities that affect the Tohono O'odham Nation and
6 all federal appropriation estimates and projects for the benefit of the Tohono
7 O'odham Nation and all federal appropriation estimates and projects for the
8 benefit of the Tohono O'odham Nation . . ." (Constitution, Article VI, Section 1(c)(2)
9 and Section 1(j)); and

10 **WHEREAS,** on March 15, 2021, the United States House of Representatives announced the
11 return of earmarks, now entitled community funding projects, for each House of
12 Representatives member to submit up to ten requests for their districts; and

13 **WHEREAS,** the new community funding projects guidelines limit the total amount that can
14 be requested, require letters of support from the community, require that the
15 funding projects be posted online, and only allow requests from states, local or
16 tribal governments and non-profits; and

17 **WHEREAS,** initially, the House of Representatives established an April 1, 2021 deadline for
18 submission of community project funding proposals, but extended the deadline
19 to April 7, 2021; and

20 **WHEREAS,** the Nation currently provides housing, care and support services for
21 approximately 90 children ranging in age from newborn through 18 years old,
22 with approximately 14 children residing at two temporary group homes located
23 within the Nation's lands, which are modified single family homes; and

24 **WHEREAS,** the goal of establishing a permanent children's home within the Nation's lands to
25 allow for all of the Nation's children in need of supportive housing and care
26 through the Department of Health and Human Services to return to the Nation
27 has been a priority for a number of years; and

28 **WHEREAS,** the Permanent Children's Home community project funding proposal requests
29 \$750,000 to complete pre-construction planning, evaluation, and design work,
30 including an environmental review for the project, prior to construction; and

31 **WHEREAS,** Chairman Ned Norris, Jr., the Health and Human Services, and Appropriations
32 Committees reviewed the Nation's community project funding request and
33 recommend supporting the proposal.
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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council supports the Nation's Permanent Children's Home community project funding request for submission to Congressman Raúl Grijalva.

The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 09TH day of APRIL, 2021 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 3,175.7 FOR; -0- AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and [01] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by Article VI, Section 1(c)(2) and Section 1(j) of the Constitution of the Tohono O'odham Nation, adopted by the Tohono O'odham Nation on January 18, 1986; and approved by the Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs (Operations) on March 6, 1986, pursuant to Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat.984).

TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Signature of Timothy Joaquin, Legislative Chairman
12 day of April, 2021

ATTEST:

Signature of Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary
9 day of April, 2021

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'odham Nation on the 12 day of April, 2021 at 4:37 o'clock, p.m., pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of Article VII of the Constitution and will become effective upon his approval or upon his failure to either approve or disapprove it within 48 hours of submittal.

TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Signature of Timothy Joaquin, Legislative Chairman

[X] APPROVED

on the 12 day of April, 2021

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at 4:55 o'clock, p.m.

Signature of Ned Norris, Jr., Chairman
NED NORRIS, JR., CHAIRMAN
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1 Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 12 day of
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3 April, 2021, at 5:02 o'clock, p.m.
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7 **Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary**
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ACTION: SUPPORTING TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION'S PERMANENT CHILDREN'S HOME COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING PROPOSAL

Moved: COUNCILMAN DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III

SECOND: COUNCILWOMAN GRACE MANUEL

DATE: APRIL 09, 2021

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
BABOQUIVARI 384.8	1. LEANDER MASE (Francine Schooling)	192.40	X			
	2. ALBERTA J. RAY (Frances G. Antone)	192.40	X			
CHUKUT KUK 347.5	1. VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS (Juanita Homer)	173.75	X			
	2. MARLAKAY HENRY (Billman Lopez)	173.75	X			
GU ACHI 279.3	1. VICTORIA HOBBS ()	139.65	X			
	2. TIMOTHY L. JOAQUIN (<i>Absent</i>) (Louis L. Johnson) (<i>Present</i>)	139.65	X			X
GU VO 264.5	1. DALLAS LEWIS (Nacho Flores)	132.25	X			
	2. GRACE MANUEL ()	132.25	X			
HICKIWAN 213.8	1. SANDRA D. ORTEGA ()	106.90	X			
	2. LOUIS R. LOPEZ (Delma M. Garcia)	106.90	X			
PISINEMO 230.7	1. MONICA K. MORGAN ()	115.35	X			
	2. MARIETTA MARTIN ()	115.35	X			
SAN LUCY 235.6	1. GLORIA RAMIREZ ()	117.80	X			
	2. JANA MONTANA (<i>Absent</i>) (Lorraine M. Eiler) (<i>Present</i>)	117.80	X			
SAN XAVIER 238.9	1. JANICE FELIX (Adam Andrews)	119.45	X			
	2. DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III (Racheal Vilson-Stoner)	119.45	X			
SCHUK TOAK 189.0	1. QUINTIN C. LOPEZ (Agnes V. Joaquin)	94.50	X			
	2. TERESA E. DONAHUE (Alberta Espinoza)	94.50	X			
SELLS 547.1	1. EVELYN JUAN MANUEL ()	273.55	X			
	2. ARTHUR WILSON ()	273.55	X			
SIF OIDAK 244.5	1. LUCINDA ALLEN (Volonda Garcia)	122.25	X			
	2. MARY LOPEZ (<i>Absent</i>) (Ann M. Garcia) (<i>Present</i>)	122.25	X			
TOTAL		3,175.7	3,175.7	-0-	-0-	[01]