

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOHONO O'ODHAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**  
**(Approving the FY 2026 Department of Health and Human Services, Division of**  
**Family Assistance Budget Amendment No. 1)**

**RESOLUTION NO. 26-055**

1 **WHEREAS,** the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council is authorized "to manage any funds  
2 within the exclusive control of the Tohono O'odham Nation . . . and to appropriate  
3 these funds for the benefit of the nation and its members" provided that "[a]ll  
4 expenditures of these funds shall be pursuant to appropriations or budgets"  
5 authorized by resolution or ordinance (Constitution of the Tohono O'odham  
6 Nation, Article VI, Section 1(d)(2)); and

7 **WHEREAS,** the FY 2026 Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Family  
8 Assistance Budget in the amount of \$1,306,063.00 was approved by Resolution No.  
9 25-335; and

10 **WHEREAS,** the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Family Assistance  
11 prepared and submitted for review and approval its FY 2026 Budget Amendment  
12 No. 1, which is incorporated by this reference, and which will adjust personnel  
13 line items; and

14 **WHEREAS,** the FY2026 Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Family  
15 Assistance Budget Amendment No. 1 will decrease the Department of Health and  
16 Human Services, FY 2026 Division of Family Assistance by \$8,682.73 from  
17 \$1,306,063.00 to \$1,297,380.27; and

18 **WHEREAS,** the Health and Human Services and Budget and Finance Committees have  
19 reviewed the FY 2026 Department of Health and Human Services, Division of  
20 Family Assistance Budget Amendment No. 1 and recommend its approval.

21 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council approves the  
22 FY 2026 Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Family Assistance  
23 Budget Amendment No. 1 effective October 1, 2025 and ending September 30,  
24 2026, which includes a \$8,682.73 decrease from \$1,306,063.00 to \$1,297,380.27  
25 that shall be funded by the Nation's General Fund.

26 **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council that the Tohono O'odham  
27 Nation chairperson or any designated official is authorized to administer and  
28 expend the FY 2026 Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Family  
29 Assistance Budget as amended, provided that any amendments or modifications  
30 shall be submitted for prior approval by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council.

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The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Tohono O'odham Legislative Council on the 11<sup>TH</sup> day of FEBRUARY 2026 at a meeting at which a quorum was present with a vote of 3,321.1 FOR; -0- AGAINST; -0- NOT VOTING; and [05] ABSENT, pursuant to the powers vested in the Council by Article VI, Section 1(d)(2) and (3) 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

*Wavalene M. Saunders*, vice  
Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman  
18<sup>TH</sup> day of February, 2026

ATTEST:

*Evonne Wilson*  
Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary  
18 day of February, 2026

Said Resolution was submitted for approval to the office of the Chairman of the Tohono O'odham Nation on the 18<sup>TH</sup> day of February, 2026 at 4:55 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

*Wavalene M. Saunders*, vice  
Wavalene M. Saunders, Legislative Chairwoman

APPROVED

on the 19 day of February, 2026

DISAPPROVED

at 9 o'clock, A.m.

*Verlon M. Jose*  
VERLON M. JOSE, CHAIRMAN  
TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

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1 Returned to the Legislative Secretary on the 19 day of

2 January, 2026, at 9:40 o'clock, a.m.

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7 **Evonne Wilson, Legislative Secretary**

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**ACTION: APPROVING THE FY 2026 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF FAMILY ASSISTANCE BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 1**

**MOVED: COUNCILMAN DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III**

**SECOND: COUNCILMAN LUCIUS E. LOPEZ**

**DATE: FEBRUARY 11, 2026**

DISTRICT	LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES	# OF VOTES	FOR	AGAINST	NOT VOTING	ABSENT
SIF OIDAK 251.2	1. WAVALENE M. SAUNDERS (Mary Lopez) 2. FRANCIS HOMEWYTEWA ( )	125.6 125.6	X X			X
SELLS 565.7	1. JANET B. ELEANDO ( ) 2. EVELYN JUAN MANUEL (Juan Buendia)	282.85 282.85	X X			
SCHUK TOAK 195.3	1. THEORIA CAMPILLO (Rebecca Ann Valentine) 2. DELISA M. RAMON (Quintin C. Lopez)	97.65 97.65	X X			
SAN XAVIER 249.8	1. DANIEL L.A. PRESTON III ( ) 2. JANICE FELIX ( )	124.9 124.9	X X			
SAN LUCY 266.3	1. GLORIA M. RAMIREZ ( <i>Absent</i> ) (Lorraine M. Eiler) ( <i>Present</i> ) 2. ROGER MANUEL ( <i>Absent</i> ) (Christina Andrews) ( <i>Present</i> )	133.15 133.15	X X			X
PISINEMO 240.3	1. PAMELA J. BENAVIDEZ (Nora J. Ruclas) 2. NAOMI MONTE (Edward D. Manuel)	120.15 120.15	X X			
HICKIWAN 222.9	1. LOUIS R. LOPEZ (Loretta A. Ortega) 2. DELMA M. GARCIA ( )	111.45 111.45	X X			
GU VO 279.6	1. LESLIE LUNA ( ) 2. BENNETT CHEWING ( )	139.8 139.8	X X			X
GU ACHI 289.2	1. JEROME F. JOAQUIN (Gloria Johnson) 2. LUCIUS E. LOPEZ (Victoria A. Hobbs)	144.6 144.6	X X			
CHUKUT KUK 361.9	1. MARLAKAY HENRY ( ) 2. VIVIAN JUAN-SAUNDERS ( <i>Absent</i> ) (Cornelius Antone) ( <i>Present</i> )	180.95 180.95	X X			X
BABOQUIVARI 398.9	1. JESSE NAVARRO ( ) 2. NED NORRIS, JR. ( <i>Absent</i> ) (Leander Mase) ( <i>Present</i> )	199.45 199.45	X X			X
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,321.1</b>	<b>3,321.1</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>[05]</b>