



CENTRAL COUNCIL  
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Executive Council of the Central Council  
TLINGIT & HAIDA INDIAN TRIBES OF ALASKA

Resolution EC 25-108

Title: Authorization to Apply for the Office on Violence Against Women Prevent and Respond Grant – Alaska

WHEREAS, the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (Tlingit & Haida) is a federally recognized tribe with more than 38,000 citizens; and

WHEREAS, under Article IV of the Tlingit & Haida Constitution, the Executive Council is the governing body of Tlingit & Haida when the Tribal Assembly is not in session; and

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WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Violence Against (OVW) women has establishes its Prevent and Respond to Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Sex Trafficking Against Children and Youth Program; and

WHEREAS, the Prevent and Respond program supports comprehensive, community-based efforts to develop or expand prevention, intervention, treatment, and response strategies to address the needs of children and youth (ages 0-24) impacted by domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, and sex trafficking; and

WHEREAS, Alaska Native/American Indian children are disproportionately represented in Alaska's child welfare system and make up 69% of all children in out-of-home placement in the state; and

WHEREAS, the majority of children in out-of-home care enter into the child welfare system due to neglect, a category that includes a high rate of domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, Tlingit & Haida intends to apply for up to \$500,000 from the U.S. Department of Justice, OVW for a three-year project, and such funding includes the full amount of Tlingit & Haida's federally approved indirect rate; and

WHEREAS, funding will be used to hire a child welfare caseworker; and

WHEREASE, this caseworker can provide effective legal intervention is essential to protect the rights and best interests of tribal citizen minors in state custody proceedings, ensuring that their tribal affiliation, cultural ties, and the preferences of their families and communities are upheld;

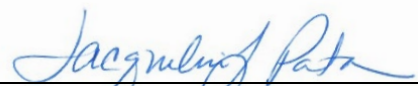
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska hereby authorizes the Tlingit & Haida President, or designee, to submit, negotiate, execute, and administer any and all documents, including any subsequent amendments, that are required by the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women for granting funds to Tlingit & Haida for the proposed project.

ADOPTED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June 2025, by the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, by a vote of 6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions and 0 absences.

**CERTIFY**

  
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President Richard J. Peterson

**ATTEST**

  
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Tribal Secretary Jacqueline L. Pata