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# TRIBAL CONSULTATION ANNUAL REPORT July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020

- 1. Agency Overview: Housing is the foundation for success. We lead and collaborate with our community partners to create, preserve, and invest in affordable housing. We protect housing consumers and revitalize communities to make Arizona the best place to live.
- 2. Tribal Consultation Activities (by division if your agency has multiple tribal liaisons)

Goal	Objective	Activity and Performance
		Measure
ADOH supports the strengthening of tribal capacity that will make way for affordable housing Opportunities.	ADOH has been involved in a number of efforts to increase the availability of decent, safe, and affordable housing on tribal land.	The Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program is the State's most robust program for creating decent, safe and affordable housing. The Qualified Allocation Plan is the "road map" for administration of the Program, and therein, the ADOH has allocated a Tribal Set Aside. This Set-Aside is up to \$2,250,000 that may be used for more than one (1) Project located on Tribal Land with a preference for veterans.  *The Qualified Allocation Plan is updated annually.
ADOH is committed to developing cooperative relationships with Tribes in order to lessen the gap of affordable housing in Indian Country for tribal members.	There are a variety of reasons for the lack of affordable housing and viable communities on tribal land. ADOH will continuously strive to resolve this issue through accountability, integrity, ethical behavior, high standards, and respect for	The ADOH will engage in cooperative focus groups and engage in meaningful dialogue with Tribes to solicit feedback regarding the use of federal funds to develop affordable housing.

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	others in working with tribal	
	governments.	
ADOH recognizes and commits to a	In an effort to target	ADOH acknowledges the unique
government-to-government	resources to areas with the	relationship between the state
relationship with Federally	greatest need, the ADOH	government and Indian tribes of
recognized tribes.	created the Tribal	Arizona. Dealings between ADOH
	Liaison position to provide	and the Indian tribes of
	technical assistance and	Arizona shall be consistent
	outreach to the 22 federally	with the
	recognized tribes	principles of tribal
	in Arizona.	sovereignty as described by
		federal law.

## 3. Other issues of interest: (THIS IS WHERE YOU WILL ADDRESS HOW THE AGENCY RESPONDED TO THE PANDEMIC)

a) Identify the challenge(s) encountered by staff in providing services to tribes and/or tribal community members.

Not necessarily a challenge, but ADOH recognizes the great need, and shall maintain the Tribal Liaison position to help build rapport with tribes and maintain open lines of communication with tribal entities and the Department.

In September 2020, ADOH obtained outside counsel to aid in determining oversight and regulatory jurisdiction with regard to manufactured housing and factory built building permitting and installation inspection. ADOH seeks to establish agreements with each tribe to aid in defining the needs of the tribal community as the manufactured structures are placed on tribal land. State law and obligations under the Housing and Urban Development Manufactured Housing Program outline protocol for permitting and installing this product, along with measures taken to ensure consumer protection.

- b) Identify a memorable highlight or learning experience that could benefit other state agencies. In 2020, the ADOH held a virtual Tribal Qualified Allocation Plan Focus Group (Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program), to offer a more intimate platform to share tribal initiatives and concerns regarding the creation of decent, safe and affordable housing.
- c) Identify Legislative changes that may have an impact on tribes and/or tribal community members.



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Community Development Block Grant – CARES (CDBG-CV) – The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act of 2020 (CARES Act) provided for a supplemental appropriation of Community Development Block Grants as authorized by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended. The State of Arizona has received three (3) tranches of CDBG-CV funding (CV1, CV2 and CV3). CV2 and CV3, may be used anywhere, including Tribal Land (with Tribal concurrence, and will be administered by the ADOH. Currently, the ADOH is preparing amendments to its Action Plan concerning receipt of these funds, and seeking public input for its use, as required by Federal Law.

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