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RED LAKE RESERVATION, MINNESOTA (HEAD START-INDIANS)

The Office of Economic Opportunity today announced a grant of \$194,024 to the Red Lake Tribal Council, Red Lake, (Beltrami and Clearwater Counties) for a Head Start program. Of this amount, \$8,300 represents reprogrammed funds from a previous grant and \$185,724 are new Federal funds.

Bertrand M. Harding, Acting Director of OEO, said that the grant will provide a 10-month child development program for 160 pre-school children. The two centers will use the services of 10 professional and 16 nonprofessional employees.

The children will receive the benefits of nutritional, medical and social services.

Mr. Robert Trever is the Director.

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COLORADO RIVER RESERVATION (HEAD START-INDIANS)

The Office of Economic Opportunity today announced a grant of \$170,438 to the Colorado River Tribal Council, Parker, Arizona, (Yuma County) for a Head Start program.

Bertrand M. Harding, Acting Director of OEO said that the funds will provide a 10-month child development program for 150 pre-school children. The two centers will use the services of 11 professional and 15 non-professional employees.

In addition to the educational curriculum, the children will receive the benefits of nutritional, medical and social services.

Mr. Ronald Dee Allen is the Head Start Director.

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Mr. Ronald Dee Allen is the Head Start Director.

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NETT LAKE RESERVATION, MINNESOTA (HEAD START-INDIANS)

The Office of Economic Opportunity today announced a grant of \$41,177 to the Nett Lake Reservation Business Committee, for a Head Start program. Of this amount, \$1,000 represents reprogrammed funds from a previous grant and \$40,177 in new Federal funds.

Bertrand M. Harding, Acting Director of OEO, said that the funds will provide a 10-month child development program for 31 pre-school children. The center will use the services of one professional and six non-professional employees.

The children will receive the benefits of nutritional, medical and social services.

Mrs. Mabel Mankus is the Head Start Director.

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THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES, NORTH DAKOTA (C&A - INDIANS)

A needed home improvement program for the residents of the Fort Berthold Reservation, New Town (Montrail, McLean, Dunn, McKenzie and Mercer Counties), North Dakota, was announced today by the Office of Economic Opportunity in Washington, D.C.

Under an OEO grant of \$50,506 to the Tribal Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes (Arikara, Hidatsa, and Mandan), 25 worker-trainees will learn basic skills while repairing 20 sub-standard homes on the reservation.

Under the supervision of two supervisor-instructors, one each being provided by the MDTA and the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the worker-trainees will repair the homes while learning basic construction skills in carpentry, plumbing, electricity, heating and masonry.

The Bureau of Indian Affairs (Department of Interior), will furnish building materials, and the Office of Economic Opportunity funds will be used to provide manpower costs.

In addition to the 25 worker-trainees, 500 family members will benefit from the five-month program. Also employed will be three foremen, two carpenters, one electrician and one plumber.

The ten-member Tribal Council has selected Melvin Walker to direct the program.

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CHOCTAW INDIAN RESERVATION, MISSISSIPPI (INDIANS - C&A)

Needed community action programs for the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians in Neshoba, Newton, Leake, and Jones Counties, Mississippi, will continue, it was announced today by the Office of Economic Opportunity in Washington, D.C.

The \$184,537 project to the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, Philadelphia, Mississippi, represents \$78,864 in new Federal funds and \$105,673 in reprogrammed funds from a prior grant.

The grant will be used for neighborhood centers, senior citizens work project, community development and a home builders training project.

The neighborhood centers will provide opportunities for the people living in isolated areas with open channels of communication, and residents will be assisted with educational, social and employment problems. One professional project coordinator and three non-professional out-reach workers will be employed.

The senior citizens work project will provide work-training for 14 elderly (over 45 years of age) unemployed heads of families. The trainees will receive basic adult education as well as prevocational instruction in basic construction work, carpentry, electricity, plumbing, etc. One professional foreman, one supervisor and fourteen non-professional work-trainees will be employed.

The home builders training project will provide training for 35 heads of households in carpentry, painting, heating, plumbing, house wiring, and will provide housing for 35 other residents.

The program will give the 35 trainees, 19 weeks of pre-apprenticeship training, and will benefit approximately 370 family members in addition to the 35 trainees and 35 homeowners.

The community development portion of the program will provide administrative direction and support services for the community action programs on the reservation as well as planning and development of new programs.

Phillip Martin is the CAP Director.

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RED LAKE RESERVATION, MINNESOTA (C&A - INDIANS)

More than 3,700 residents of the Red Lake Reservation in Beltrami and Clearwater Counties, Minnesota, will benefit from a community action program aimed at meeting the needs of the reservation population.

Today's grant of \$321,882 to the Red Lake Tribal Council, represents \$299,882 in new Federal funds, and \$22,000 reprogrammed from a prior grant.

The Reservation development program provides for the administration, accounting, personnel management and program development for the Tribal Council's anti-poverty programs in all areas, with particular emphasis on the creation of permanent jobs, establishment of industry, commercial facilities, education and housing. The program administers Department of Labor-MDTA, housing and industrial development projects, funded by other government agencies, the tribal council and private grants. This is the third year of a 5-year plan to provide almost full employment for the reservation.

The program employs 16 professionals and 39 non-professionals as bookkeepers, secretaries, Management information system coordinator, supervisors, aides, counselors and manpower program coordinator.

Robert Treuer is the CAP Director.

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ROSEBUD SIOUX RESERVATION, SOUTH DAKOTA (C&A - INDIANS)

The Rosebud Sioux Tribal Council of Todd, Mellette, Tripp and Gregory Counties, South Dakota, received a \$30,812 grant to plan economic development programs, it was announced today by the Office of Economic Opportunity, in Washington, D.C.

The program, to benefit the residents of the Rosebud Sioux Reservation, will develop and coordinate the economic potentials of the reservation. Long-range goals for the economic growth of the reservation will be developed, and the economic base for carrying out these goals will be determined.

Robert Wain, the CAP Director, will direct the program.

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NETT LAKE RESERVATION, MINNESOTA (C&A - INDIANS)

Economic opportunity programs of community betterment and administrative services, for the residents of the Nett Lake Indian Reservation in Nett Lake (Koochiching County), Minnesota, was announced today by the Office of Economic Opportunity in Washington, D.C.

The \$94,532 project to the Nett Lake Reservation Business Committee represents \$40,000 in new Federal funds and \$54,532 reprogrammed funds from a prior grant.

Administrative and community services will provide for the overall supervision and management of community action programs on the reservation. Guidance and counseling for students (to reduce the drop-out rate) improvement of family services in health and education, development of employment opportunities, referrals and other services to bring about total community development will also be provided. Three professionals and six non-professionals, including a bookkeeper, secretary, community coordinator and two community workers, will be employed in the program.

The community betterment program, is designed to meet the needs of the chronically unemployed residents of the reservation. The program will employ and train 38 local unemployed men to beautify portions of the reservation, provide recreation areas, and make the reservation a more attractive place to live. Four foremen will supervise the 38 worker trainees.

Donald Hackey, Acting CAP Director, will direct the program.

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WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE RESERVATION, ARIZONA (INDIANS - C&A)

Economic opportunity programs of adult and youth education, and agriculture and homemaker services programs for residents of the White Mountain Apache Reservation, Whiteriver (Navajo and Gila Counties), Arizona will be continued, it was announced today by the Office of Economic Opportunity in Washington, D.C.

The \$90,522 project to the White Mountain Apache Tribal Council represents \$65,915 in new Federal funds and \$24,607 reprogrammed funds from a prior grant.

The adult education program will benefit 100 older Indian adults who did not finish high school. Courses in basic and remedial arithmetic and reading will be taught to prepare them to take the General Educational Development Test and receive a high school equivalency certificate. Related classes in budgeting, nutrition, health and sanitation will also be taught. Adults from the communities of Cibecue, Carrizo, Cedar Creek, Canyon Day, Seven Mile and East Fork will participate in the program.

Remedial instruction for 200 high school drop-outs over 18 years of age will make it possible for them to pass the G.E.D. tests and receive their high school certificates. Each student will have eight hours of instruction weekly over a period of 12 months. Two professional resident instructors and nine resident instructor aides will be employed.

A project for homemaking services will provide assistance in home management, and counseling. Technical assistance to improve agricultural produces and production will also be given.

Raymond Kane will Direct the program.

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EIGHT NORTHERN PUEBLOS OF NEW MEXICO (C&A - INDIANS)

More than 5,700 residents of the Eight Northern Pueblos Indian Reservations in North Central New Mexico will benefit from adult education, study centers, and home enrichment programs, to meet the needs of the reservation residents. The Eight Northern Pueblos are: Pojoaque, Nambe, Picuris, San Ildefonso, San Juan, Santa Clara, Taos and Tesuque, located in Santa Fe, Taos and Rio Arriba counties.

The grant for \$290,000 to the Eight Northern Pueblos Tribal Council, will be used to carry out a comprehensive community action program in each Pueblo.

The adult basic education program will serve 500 low-income families. Basic education and language development in English will be taught, and participants will be given the opportunity to obtain General Educational Development (high school equivalency) certificates. Those individuals engaged in the arts and crafts business, will also receive special instruction and training with specific emphasis on improving production and designs and basic methods of keeping records.

Ten part-time certified teachers and 17 non-professionals (including one arts and craft supervisor, 8 teacher aides and 8 art-craft instructors) will be employed.

The study centers will provide study facilities, reference materials and remedial classes for Indian students of all grade levels. Tutorial and remedial education, by professional teachers on a part-time basis, will assist the slow learners, decrease the drop-out rate and strengthen the students academic potential.

The home enrichment program for women, is an integral part of the adult education program and will assist the families in home management. Eight non-professional program aides from the target population, will be supervised by two professional Home Economists.

James Hena of the Tesuque Pueblo is the CAP Director.

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WALKER RIVER PAIUTE RESERVATION, NEVADA (C&A - INDIANS)

The Office of Economic Opportunity in Washington, D.C. today announced a Federal grant of \$15,394 to the Walker River Paiute Tribal Council, Schurz, Nevada.

The \$15,394 project, which represents \$15,000 in new Federal funds and \$394 reprogrammed funds from a prior grant, will provide for a community development program and a study center.

The after-school and community study center will provide a place where 350 students and residents can receive professional assistance with academic subjects in an atmosphere conducive to learning.

The community development phase of the program will assist the Tribal Council in developing economic and social programs for the reservation as well as to administer and coordinate community action programs and technical assistance provided through the University Consortium (University of Utah).

Stannard Frank is the CAP Director.

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MESCALERO APACHE RESERVATION, NEW MEXICO (HEAD START - INDIANS)

The Office of Economic Opportunity today announced a grant of \$32,508 to the Mescalero Apache Tribe, Mescalero, (Otero County) New Mexico, for a Head Start program. Of this amount \$26,418 represents new Federal funds, and \$6,090 reprogrammed funds from a previous grant.

Bertrand M. Harding, Acting Director of OEO, said that the grant will provide a 9-month child development program for 38 pre-school children of the Mescalero Apache Tribe. The center will use the services of three professional and three non-professional employees.

In addition to the educational curriculum, the children will receive the benefits of medical, nutritional and social services.

Fred Heckman is the CAP Director.

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SANDOVAL COUNTY INDIAN PUEBLO COMMUNITY, NEW MEXICO (HEAD START - INDIANS)

The Office of Economic Opportunity today announced a grant of \$249,953 to the Sandoval County Indian Pueblo Community Action Program, Bernalillo, New Mexico, for a Head Start program. Of this amount \$237,953 represents new Federal funds, while \$12,000 are reprogrammed funds from a previous grant.

Bertrand M. Harding, Acting Director of OEO, said that the grant will provide a 12-month child development program for 196 pre-school children. The six different centers will use the services of 16 professional and 25 non-professional employees.

The children will receive the benefits of nutritional, medical and social services.

Rachel Montoya is the Head Start Director.

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WIND RIVER RESERVATION, WYOMING (HEAD START - INDIANS)

The Office of Economic Opportunity today announced a grant of \$76,302 to the Shoshone and Arapahoe Joint Business Council, Fort Washakie, (Fremont and Hot Springs Counties) Wyoming, for a Head Start program. Of this amount \$64,046 represents new Federal funds, while \$12,256 are reprogrammed funds from a previous grant.

Bertrand M. Harding, Acting Director of OEO, said that the grant will provide a 10-month child development program for 76 pre-school children on the Wind River Reservation. The three centers will use the services of five professional and 12 non-professional employees.

The children will receive the benefits of nutritional, medical and social services.

Mr. J. C. Sollars is the CAP Director.

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FORT THOMPSON, SOUTH DAKOTA (HEAD START - INDIAN)

The Office of Economic Opportunity today announced a grant of \$116,581 to the Lower Brule & Crow Creek Inter-Tribal Council, Fort Thompson, South Dakota, for a Head Start program. Of this amount, \$108,258 represents new Federal funds, while \$8,323 is reprogrammed money from a previous grant.

Bertrand M. Harding, Acting Director of OEO, said that the grant will provide a 12-month child development program for 80 pre-school children run by the tribe. The children will meet in three different centers, which will use the services of six professional and 14 non-professional employees.

In addition to the educational curriculum, the children will receive the benefits of medical, nutritional and social services.

Thomas Claymore is the Director of the program.

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CROW RESERVATION, MONTANA (HEAD START - INDIANS)

The Office of Economic Opportunity today announced a grant of \$139,907 to the Crow Tribe of Indians of Crow Agency, (Big Horn and parts of Yellowstone County) Montana, for a Head Start program. Of this amount, \$111,172 represents new Federal funds, while \$28,195 are reprogrammed funds from a previous grant.

Bertrand M. Harding, Acting Director of OEO, said that the grant will provide a 7-month child development program for 250 pre-school children run by the tribe. The six centers will use the services of 15 professional and 26 non-professional employees.

In addition to the educational curriculum, the children will receive the benefits of medical, nutritional and social services.

Wayne Sybert is the Head Start Director.

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MILLE LACS RESERVATION, MINNESOTA (HEAD START - INDIANS)

The Office of Economic Opportunity today announced a grant of \$79,028 to the Mille Lacs Reservation Business Committee, of Onamia, Minnesota, for a Head Start program. Of this amount, \$66,678 represents new Federal funds, while \$12,350 are reprogrammed funds from a previous grant.

Bertrand M. Harding, Acting Director of OEO, said that the funds will provide a 12-month child development program for 60 pre-school children. The center will use the services of five professional and five non-professional employees.

In addition to the educational curriculum, the children will receive the benefits of medical, nutritional and social services.

Norma Thompson is the Head Start Director.

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ROSEBUD SIOUX TRIBE, SOUTH DAKOTA (SUMMER HEAD START - INDIANS)

The Office of Economic Opportunity today announced a grant of \$23,465 to the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, Rosebud, (Todd County and parts of Mellette, Tripp, and Gregory Counties) South Dakota, for a Head Start program. Of this amount, \$22,367 represents new Federal funds, while \$1,098 are reprogrammed funds from a previous grant.

Bertrand M. Harding, Acting Director of OEO, said that the grant will provide a two-month summer program for 93 pre-school children. The six classes will use the services of six professional and 14 non-professional employees.

In addition to the educational curriculum, the children will receive the benefits of medical, nutritional and social services.

Mr. Lloyd Boyd is the Head Start Director.

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QUILEUTE RESERVATION, CLALLAM COUNTY, WASHINGTON (C&A - INDIANS)

The Office of Economic Opportunity in Washington, D.C. today announced a grant to the Quileute Tribal Council of LaPush, Washington for community development and home improvement programs.

The \$19,665 project represents \$15,320 in new Federal funds and \$4,345 in reprogrammed funds from a prior grant.

The community development phase of the program will provide for the employment of the CAP Director and a secretary-bookkeeper. These two people will be responsible for the coordination and administration of Head Start and other federally financed programs on the reservation. Supportive services for the small home improvement program and development of other programs and proposals to benefit the reservation residents are also included.

The home improvement program will improve and repair 35 homes on the reservation. Two worker-trainees, under a trained supervisor will learn basic construction skills, carpentry, electricity, plumbing, etc.

Hank Adams is the CAP Director.

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