

# CHEROKEE NATION® Office of Child Support Services

# RESOURCE GUIDE for CHEROKEE PARENTS

In Partnership with Cherokee Nation Child Care and Development

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#### **CHEROKEE NATION REFERRALS AND RESOURCES**

The Cherokee Nation offers many services to its citizens and to other Native American tribes throughout its reservation in northeastern Oklahoma. These services include but are not limited to: Housing Authority of the Cherokee Nation, Community Services, Education, Health Services, Human Services, Commerce Services and Career Services

These services often are designed to help citizens help themselves. The Cherokee Nation dedicates resources through both federal funding and tribal revenue to provide these and other services to the citizens who need them most. Please refer to each division's page or contact them directly to learn more about eligibility requirements for each one. You can also view more information, at www.cherokee.org or the Cherokee Nation Facebook page.

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#### **CAREER SERVICES**

The mission of Career Services is to develop and encourage individuals to achieve and maintain work habits and skills that promote employability and self-sufficiency through programs that encompass education, training, rehabilitation, supportive services and economic development.

Contact Career Services at 918-453-5555 email: career-services-dept@cherokee.org

# **Vocational and Educational Programs**

Career Services offer several in-house training programs as well as assistance to those enrolled in vocational training or Associate of Applied Arts or Applied Science degree programs.

- Career Literacy and Adult Education
- Vocational Training
- In-House Training Programs
  - °Surgical Technician Program
  - °High Voltage Lineman
  - °Fiber Technician Program
  - °Building Trades
  - °RN Scholarship Program
- Vocational Rehabilitation
- Public Law 102-477
- Talking Leaves Job Corps
- QUFST Grant

# **Coming Home Reentry and Justice Involved Programs**

The Reentry and Justice Programs assists Cherokee Nation citizens who are justice involved or have recently been released from incarceration and are returning to, or reside in, the Cherokee Nation Reservation in northeast Oklahoma. The program can assist with employment and vocational programs or other identified barriers that might impede successful community and family engagement.

#### **Employment Programs**

Career Services has programs that can assist you in acquiring work experience, receive job-specific training on the job, and provide with assistance in job search.

- On-the-Job Training
- Tribal Training
- Direct Placement
- Wildland Fire Program
- Public Law 102-477
- QUFST Grant
- Work Experience

## **Youth Programs**

Career Services has educational, vocational, leadership and employment programs for youth aged 16-24, both summer specific and year round. Summer Youth Leadership Intern Program.

- Summer Youth Program
- Public Law 102-477

#### **Assessments and Certifications**

Career Services assists Cherokee citizens in addressing barriers to employment. The department utilizes a variety of tools to assess and address career readiness, training, and employability. Citizens have access to in person and online instruction through our Aztec Online Program. GED Instructors are housed throughout the reservation area and are ready to assist citizens at the location nearest them.

#### Services offered include:

- Resume Development
- Interviewing
- GED and HiSET Attainment
- Vocational Services and Programs
- Career Specific Assessments

#### **Career Services Field Offices**

Main Office (Cherokee County) .......PH: 918-453-5555 17675 S. Muskogee Ave., Tahlequah, OK 74464

Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO).....PH: 918-453-5334 P.O. Box 948 Tahlequah, OK 74465

Vocational Rehabilitation (Cherokee County) PH: 918-453-5004 23205 S. HWY 66, Claremore, OK 74018
Career Literacy/Adult Education Center
Stilwell Office (Adair County)PH: 918-696-3124 406 W. Locust St., Stilwell, OK
Sallisaw Office (Sequoyah County)PH: 918-776-0416 100 E. Choctaw Ave., Sallisaw, OK 74955
Wagoner Office (Wagoner County)PH: 918-453-5555 109 N. Casaver, Wagoner, OK 74467
Muskogee Office (Muskogee, McIntosh, and Wagoner Co.) PH: 918-682-2077 1305 S. Country Club Rd., Muskogee, OK 74403
Jay Office (Delaware County)PH: 918-253-3243 1178 W. Cherokee, Jay, OK 74346
Pryor Office (Mayes County)PH: 918-825-7988 6789 US 69 S., Pryor, OK 74361
Catoosa Office (Tulsa County)
Tulsa Office (Tulsa County)PH: 918-574-2749 10837 E. Marshall St. Suite, 101, Tulsa, OK 74116
Vinita Health Clinic (Craig County)

# **COMMERCE**

Cherokee Nation Commerce Services is dedicated to helping build the economic security of Cherokee Nation citizens and communities and offers programs that assist in building financial security, advancing and encouraging small business development and entrepreneurship, promoting artist development, and fostering community tourism.

#### **Free Tax Preparation**

Free tax preparation at VITA tax sites. For low to moderate income families (under \$60,000). All locations are by appointment.

Call 918-453-5536 to schedule.

#### **Small Business Assistance Center**

The Cherokee Nation Small Business Assistance Center (SBAC) is proud to service and support Native American-owned businesses by providing access to capital for new business start-ups and business expansion projects. SBAC is dedicated to the growth of Native American-owned companies, and also provides business coaching services designed to enhance the operation of small businesses. Programs offered through the Cherokee Nation SBAC are designed to encourage Native American-owned companies to have a greater presence in the business community.

#### **Loan Programs**

Tribal (Consumer) Loan:

Consumer loan programs provide affordable access to financing and promote family self-sufficiency through budget counseling and credit counseling.

Small business (Commercial) Loan:

The commercial loan program exists to enhance and secure the financial well-being of Cherokee people, businesses, and communities.

For more information, about Cherokee Nation Commerce Services, call 918-453-5536.

# **Community Cultural Outreach Program**

The Community Cultural Outreach Program mission is to assist faith and community-based organization's ability to increase their effectiveness; enhance essential services to those most in need and build upon the organizational capacity of each community, diversify resources, and create collaborations to serve those in Cherokee communities.

For more information, email cco@cherokee.org or call 918-207-4963.

#### **Programs and Resources**

- Community and Cultural Outreach Conference Each year CCO brings Cherokee community leaders from the Cherokee Nation Reservation area as well as satellite communities across the United States for two days of learning, networking and interaction. The conference consists of capacity building, Cherokee culture and history, and youth leadership sessions. For more information, contact, cco@cherokee.org.
- Volunteer Program Established from tribally generated revenue and support, services are accessible to eligible Cherokee Nation citizens or community organizations within the Cherokee Nation Reservation. The mission of the volunteer program is to serve elderly and/or disabled Cherokee citizens in need by partnering with other organizations to secure labor, tools, equipment, etc. to create safer living conditions.
- The Cherokee Nation at-large website is dedicated to exclusively connect Cherokee Nation citizens residing beyond the borders of the Cherokee Nation with federal and tribal programs and services. For more information, visit the at-large Cherokee website: https://cherokeesatlarge.org
- Community and Cultural Outreach Facebook
   Page: https://www.facebook.com/CNCCO/
- Community/Organization In District Grants for more information, email cco-grants@cherokee.org
- Sustainability Grant
- Community Work Grant
- New Organization Grant
- Community Organizing Training and Technical Assistance (COTTA)
- At Large Organizational Grant for more information, please email contact@cherokeesatlarge.org

#### **EDUCATION SERVICES**

The Cherokee Nation Education Services continues to fulfill its purpose of cultivating the development of skilled and knowledgeable Cherokees through operations of programs that focus resources on serving people of all ages, from early childhood to adulthood. Tribal citizens can benefit from services provided by these programs, both within and outside the Oklahoma public school system.

#### **Head Start - Early Childhood Unit**

The mission of the Early Childhood Unit is to bring about a greater degree of social competence in children who may be disadvantaged. The ECU's approach is based on the philosophy that a child can benefit most from a comprehensive, interdisciplinary program to foster development and remedy problems through the involvement of the child's entire family as well as community.

Cherokee Nation Early Childhood Unit offers two options: Head Start, a classroom environment promoting early childhood development stages; and Early Head Start, serving children aged six weeks to three years old. In addition, we collaborate with select public schools within the Cherokee Nation Reservation to provide Head Start Services.

For more information, contact the Early Childhood Unit at 918-453-5757 toll free 888-458-4393 ext. 5717.

# Head Start serves children ages 3 years to 5 years old at the following areas:

- Tahlequah
- Cherry Tree
- Jay
- Nowata

- Pryor
- Stillwell
- Salina

# Public School Collaborations serve Pre-K children in these districts:

- Brushy
- Inola
- Salina
- Webbers Falls

- Rocky Mountain
- Tahlequah
- Zion
- Hulbert

#### **Cherokee Immersion School**

A language preservation program designed to revitalize the Cherokee language beginning with our children. For more information, on how to apply and additional requirements, contact the Cherokee Immersion School at 918-207-7597. Parents must apply in person.

#### **Tribal Youth Council**

The Cherokee Nation Tribal Youth Council's purpose is to create future tribal leaders. Strive to act as a voice and role model for Cherokee youth. Promote the mental and physical well-being of our youth, develop peer programs, and participate in community service projects.

Contact Education at 918-453-5000 or download an application from www.cherokee.org > Education Services > Youth Leadership.

#### **Scholarships**

Students must be a Cherokee Nation tribal citizen and reside within the Cherokee Nation Reservation area or contiguous counties and attend an accredited public or private institution, unless otherwise noted. Proprietary institutions are not funded. If you live outside of the Cherokee Nation Reservation, you must be PELL eligible.

- Concurrent Enrollment Scholarship
- Valedictorian and Salutatorian Scholarship

Contact High School Resources: 1-800-256-0671 ext. 3948 Email: concurrentenrollment@cherokee.org

Higher Education Resources:

- Undergraduate Scholarship
- Graduate Scholarship

Contact College Resources: 918-453-5000 ext. 5465 email: collegeresources@cherokee.org Toll Free: 1-800-256-0671

# **Outreach Program**

The Cherokee Nation College Resource Center Outreach Program targets students ranging from 6th grade through college.

#### Arts Outreach

Arts programs for schools and community groups are offered through the Cherokee Arts Institute.

# Camp Cherokee

Day Camp and Residential Camp

Day Camp is an enriching academic experience for Cherokee Nation students entering grades 1-6 during the school year. Residential Camp is an enriching academic experience for Cherokee Nation students entering grades 7-12 during the school year. The camps include classes in the areas of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) as well as cultural activities. Students must have a Cherokee Nation citizenship card.

For more information, about Camp Cherokee, please call 918-453-5224 or visit the website www.cherokee.org.

#### **Cherokee National Youth Choir**

The Cherokee National Youth Choir performs traditional songs in the Cherokee language. The choir members are middle and high school youth between grades 6th through 11th.

To schedule an audition or for more information, please contact Mary Kay Henderson at 918-772-4172. You may also contact via e-mail at youthchoir@cherokee.org.

#### **Partners JOM**

JOM is designed to provide supplemental and/or operational support to public schools within Cherokee Nation Reservation serving students from three years of age through 12th grade. Each school district determines what services JOM may provide directly to the child. Please contact your child's school district to determine what resources may be available.

General Contact 918-453-5000 ext. 5144 e-mail education@cherokee.org.

#### **HEALTH SERVICES**

Cherokee Nation Health Services (CNHS) is the largest tribally-operated health care system in the United States. CNHS is a growing multifaceted health care system.

Cherokee Nation Health Services is committed to providing the highest quality of care and the most advanced, effective treatments for our patients. With almost 160 full-time providers and over 2,200 health services employees, CNHS is the gem of the region in continuity of care. Committed to improving patient access, Cherokee Nation has invested substantially in technology, building new facilities and expanding existing locations. Our hospital and nine health centers are full of talented staff that are dedicated to providing world-class patient care.

#### **Behavioral Health Services**

Cherokee Nation Behavioral Health Services offers a variety of programs. These include mental health and substance abuse services, community prevention, research and evaluation. Outpatient services include individual and group therapy, grief and trauma counseling, substance abuse counseling, relapse prevention, parenting skills, psychiatry, psychological testing, and crisis intervention.

All health centers provide Adult Behavioral Health Services. Child and adolescent services are currently offered in Tahlequah, Muskogee, Jay,

and Nowata and are provided by the HERO project. Availability varies by location.

Behavioral Health Adult Clinic PH: 918-207-4977 1325 E. Boone Tahlequah, OK 74464 PH: 918-453-5000 General Contact: Toll Free: 1-800-256-0671 behavioralhealth@cherokee.org

## **The HERO Project**

The HERO Project is Cherokee Nation's Children's Behavioral Health Unit. Their goal is to support children, youth, families, and communities. They provide counseling and support services for families with children from newborn to 21 years old who are citizens of a federally recognized tribe.

Contact HERO Project at 539-234-3503.

Therapeutic Services Group, family, and individual.

Family Care Management

- Help find community resources (child care, parenting classes, social services, etc.).
- Collaborate with families to help set and meet their goals.
- Provide psychoeducation classes for parenting support.
- Advocate for families involved in systems (including schools, etc.).

#### Support for Parents and Caregivers

Circle of Security Parenting Program is an evidence based program for parents and caregivers of children birth to six years of age. Participants of this course meet once a week for nine weeks, each session lasting 90 minutes.

# **Learning Objectives of the Training:**

- Understand your child's emotional world by learning to read the emotional needs.
- Support your child's ability to successfully manage emotions.
- Enhance the development of your child's self-esteem.
- Honor your innate wisdom and desire for your child to be secure.

For more information, contact:
Behavioral Health: 539-234-3500
Adult Behavioral Health: 539-234-3502
Prevention: 918-453-5000 ext: 7184
Research: 918-453-5000 ext. 4984

#### **Cherokee Nation Cancer Programs**

The Cherokee Nation Cancer Programs offers clinical breast exams, screening mammography, diagnostic mammography, biopsies, breast ultrasound, diagnostic follow-up, Pap smear test, colposcopy, LEEP (a diagnostic procedure), community outreach and case management. Eligibility: Services available to Native American women ages 40-64 who are uninsured and are at or below 250 percent federal poverty level.

For Cherokee Nation Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program and Comprehensive Cancer Control at 918-453-5000 and ask for the program by name.

# **PUBLIC HEALTH**

#### **Cancer Programs Cancer Registry**

Cherokee Nation is the only tribe in the U.S with a cancer registry. The Registry was funded initially in 1997 by the National Cancer Institute's Surveillance, Epidemiology and End Results (SEER) program. Among some of the information the registry collects are: type of cancer, stage of disease at the time of diagnosis (how far the cancer has advanced), and how and when cancer is diagnosed and treated.

For further information regarding the Cancer Registry call: Sohail Khan, MPH; Principal Investigator Sohail-khan@cherokee.org or PH: 918-453-5602. Travis Wickliffe, CTR; Registry Manager/Registrar Travis-wickliffe@cherokee.org or PH: 918-453-5453.

# **Emergency Medical Services**

Cherokee Nation Emergency Medical Services is a state-licensed paramedic level ambulance service owned and operated by the Cherokee Nation serving people in Cherokee, southern Delaware, northern Sequoyah and western Adair counties. CNEMS consists of three major components: ambulance services, communications and training.

Administrative Office: 918-453-5200.
Also for EMS Training:
Toll-Free: 1-888-238-7551
Email: emstraining@cherokee.org
Emergency Services: Dial 911

Cherokee Nation Health Centers Three Rivers Health Center
Cooweescoowee Health Clinic
Sam Hider Health Center
Will Rogers Health Center
Salina Health Center
Redbird Smith Health CenterPH: 918-775-9159 301 S. J.T. Stites Blvd., Sallisaw, OK 74955Toll Free: 888-797-9159
Wilma P. Mankiller Health Center
Vinita Health Center
Cherokee Nation W.W. Hastings HospitalPH: 918-458-3100 100 S. Bliss Ave., Tahlequah, OK 74464 Toll Free: 877-838-3100 *Mail order pharmacy application available online
Cherokee Nation Outpatient Health CenterPH: 539-234-1000 19600 E. Ross St., Tahlequah, OK 74464

#### **Jack Brown Center**

The Jack Brown Center is a twenty-bed, co-educational facility providing treatment in a residential setting for chemically-dependent Native American adolescents. The program is intended to serve clients from 13 to 18 years of age who are experiencing serious substance abuse problems.

General Information: 918-453-5500 or 877-448-0496 Application packet available on www.cherokee.org

#### Woman Infants and Children (WIC)

WIC is a federally funded health and nutrition program for women, infants and children. The program is directed toward pregnant or nursing women, as well as infants and children less than five years of age.

WIC also provides nutrition education, breastfeeding support and referrals for healthcare and other community services. Participants must meet income guidelines. WIC serves women who are pregnant, postpartum, or breastfeeding; infants, and children under the age of five. Within the Cherokee Nation WIC clinics are located inside the Cherokee Nation Reservation boundaries providing services to more than 7,300 women, infants, and children each month. Contact Cherokee Nation WIC in your community to set up an appointment or call 1-800-256-0671 or 918-453-5000 ext. 5589. Walk-ins are always welcome!

Oklahoma Breastfeeding Hotline 1-877-271-MILK (6455)

A 24-hour, toll-free breastfeeding support line for nursing mothers, their families, partners, prospective parents and health professionals. Cherokee Nation International Board-Certified Lactation Consultants: 918-453-5591 or 918-207-6952

#### HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CHEROKEE NATION

The Housing Authority of the Cherokee Nation was created in 1966 to provide safe, quality housing for citizens of the Cherokee Nation and their families. Today, HACN continues that original mission and provides housing assistance to our citizens and other Natives through a number of programs.

HACN offers low-income rental housing, rental assistance, college housing, housing rehabilitation, homeowner's insurance, mortgage assistance and the homeowner assistance fund, as well as offering an innovative new home construction program that allows Cherokee families to more easily achieve their goal of home ownership. HACN uses both federal and tribal funding to provide its services.

For more information, contact Housing Authority at services@hacn.org 918-456-5482 or 1-800-837-2869. Website: www.hacn.ora

#### **College Housing Assistance Program**

The College Housing Assistance Program will provide students with up to \$1,000 per semester for housing cost only.

Contact 918-456-5482 or 1-800-837-2869 Email services@hacn.org

#### Mortgage Assistance Program (MAP)

This program provides qualified tribal citizens with down payment and closing costs assistance in obtaining a mortgage to purchase or construct a home.

Contact the Housing Authority of Cherokee Nation at 918-456-5482 Email services@hacn.org.

# Community Shield Homeowner's Insurance

The Cherokee Nation's Community Shield Home Owner's Risk-Pool Program provides basic coverage for the value of a dwelling and personal property.

# **Rental Housing Assistance Program**

The Housing Authority of the Cherokee Nation offers two different rental programs to meet the needs of Cherokee Nation citizens. These programs are designed to assist low-income Native Americans with securing decent, safe, and sanitary housing within the Cherokee Nation Reservation. Maximum allowable family income is 80% of the US Median Family Income.

- Rental Properties The Housing Authority of the Cherokee Nation owns and operates rental properties throughout the Cherokee Nation.
- Rental Assistance Program The Rental Assistance Programs allows
  participants the flexibility to find and select their own rental unit within
  the Cherokee Nation, with a landlord who agrees to enter into a
  contract with HACN.

Contact HACN at 918-456-5482 Email services@hacn.org.

#### **New Home Ownership Program**

The program is designed to provide a set payment option allowing the family to rent to own the home. Houses are based on a basic floor plan of a modest size.

#### **HUMAN SERVICES**

This division is focused on providing direct client case management that provides immediate services to assist children and families in the tribal community. By providing direct services it is the hope that it will lend to self-sufficiency in the tribal community.

#### John A. Ketcher Youth Center

The mission of the Cherokee Nation's John A. Ketcher Youth Center is to strengthen the wellness of children, youth and families through prevention and redirecting those who have gotten off track. The emergency youth shelter is a short-term residential option for runaways, homeless, abused, neglected, and other youth facing family conflicts and other crisis situations. All services at the John A. Ketcher Youth Center are free of charge and to open to everyone regardless of race.

Contact the John A. Ketcher Youth Center at 918-458-4440 Toll Free: 877-696-8890 (Oklahoma only) Fax: 918-458-7655

# **Child Care and Development Programs**

Offer a variety of different services for parents seeking child care and developmental resource services.

# **Child Care Subsidy**

Cherokee Nation Child Care Subsidy helps parents pay for the cost of child care. There are five subsidy offices located in Tahlequah, Catoosa, Pryor, Stilwell, and Sallisaw as well as two document drop-off locations in Jay and Ochelata.

To be eligible, parents/guardians must meet the following guidelines:

- Be working, going to school, in need of protective services, and/ or actively participating in a structured job search for the purpose of obtaining employment
- Meet income guidelines
- Have proof of citizenship in a federally recognized tribe
- Live within the Cherokee Nation Reservation.

- Children must be age 12 and under, children with special needs may qualify for services up to age 19
- Use a Cherokee Nation licensed contracted provider or a relative provider that has been approved by Cherokee Nation Child Care Licensing, providers must be located within the Cherokee Nation Reservation

Documents needed to apply for child care subsidy:

- Proof of citizenship in a federally recognized tribe
- Birth certificate
- Proof of residence
- Income verification
- School schedule (if applicable)
- Custody (if applicable)
- Client information form
- Client responsibility form
- Employment verification form

# How to apply for subsidy:

Parents/guardians may apply for subsidy in person, by email or fax. If the parent/guardian subsidy application is approved, certification lasts up to 12 months. To apply by email, call the child care office for caseworker contact information.

Website: https://childcare.cherokee.org/subsidy Phone: 918-453-5300 Email: cdc\_resource@cherokee.org

# **Child Care Licensing**

Cherokee Nation subsidy allows use of relative providers. Registered exempt (relative) providers are the grandparents, great grandparents, aunts, uncles, or adult siblings not living in the home of the child. The relationship can be by blood or marriage. Relative providers are exempt from DHS licensing, but must meet tribal Health and Safety Standards of Operation and Quality of Service. Periodic monitoring visits are made. For more information, on how to apply to be a relative provider, please contact Child Care Licensing at 918-453-5300 or email licensing at childcarelicensing@cherokee.org.

#### **Child Development Centers**

The Cherokee Nation is committed to providing quality child care for children and families. Cherokee Nation provides outstanding centers in Stilwell and Tahleguah.

For more information about services or enrollment, contact:
Tahlequah Child Development Center
918-453-5070
Stilwell Child Development Center
918-696-3222
For additional centers, see Early Childhood Unit under Education
on www.cherokee.org

#### **Child Care Resource Center**

The Child Care Resource Center works with parents with child care referrals and information on evaluating quality child care, plus resources on various parenting issues. Child care referrals are provided free of charge and information collected from families will remain confidential. The Child Care Resources Center offers valuable training and support services to new or established child care programs.

Phone: 918-453-5300

Email: ccrc@cherokee.org

Website: https://childcare.cherokee.org/resource-and-referral

#### **Cherokee Connections**

Cherokee Connections is a way to help support and develop those close family member caregiver relationships, focusing on relatives who are caregivers for children by providing home visits with educational resources. To be eligible, relative providers must have a current contract with Cherokee Nation Child Care Licensing for child care services.

Contact 918-453-5300

#### Cherokee PARENTS

Cherokee PARENTS (Positive and Rewarding, Educational, Nurturing Tribal Services) is a 20-week, in-home, parent support program offered to Native American families in the Cherokee Nation Reservation. Participants in the Cherokee PARENTS program will receive a weekly visit from a parent educator that will last approximately one hour. These weekly visits are scheduled at the convenience of the parent or caregiver. Cherokee PARENTS uses a curriculum called SafeCare, which includes home safety, health and Parent-Child or Parent-Infant Interaction . Each module lasts approximately six weeks, not including intake and discharge. Participants

will gain valuable knowledge, earn monetary incentives, and receive invaluable tools and resources.

## To be eligible, parent must:

- Live in the Cherokee Nation Reservation
- Have a child 0-5 years of age
- Does not have an active DHS or ICW case
- Child or parent must be Native American

For more information, or to sign up, please go to https://childcare.cherokee. org/resource-and-referral/home-visiting/ and complete the referral form in the download section or call 918-453-5300.

#### General Assistance

This program is a financial assistance service for eligible Indian families to address essential living needs. Assistance is based on welfare payment standards and is considered a secondary resource to the Department of Human Services TANF program and Social Security SSI program.

Families who are eligible for TANF and SSI are required by federal regulations to apply and comply with their guidelines and requirements.

Family Assistance also offers burial assistance and LIHEAP services to eligible households. Please contact Family Assistance for more information.

When families are not eligible for the General Assistance program or any other program within Family Assistance, then they are referred to other agencies. Referrals may be made to other agencies by sending a referral form to the other agency on behalf of the family. \*NOTE: You cannot receive General Assistance from Cherokee Nation if you are receiving assistance from another tribe.

# **Tribal Emergency Assistance**

The program was designed and approved by the tribal council to assist families in the time of imminent need. Imminent need is defined as basic needs of an individual or family that if not addressed immediately within 24-48 hours or less may result in hunger, loss of shelter, medical peril, job loss or family breakdown.

# **Emergency Housing Assistance**

The program's primary focus is keeping families safe and in secure housing. Assistance is always made to the landlord or mortgage facility

and in some cases utility companies. This assistance is a onetime payment to the vendor and payment is based on the family's need and their ability to remain self-sufficient. The family's income cannot exceed the current HUD income guidelines and the family must have sufficient income to maintain their housing. A family can only receive service in this category once in a three year period of time.

Contact Human Services at 918-453-5422 Email: human\_services@cherokee.org

#### PRIORITY IS GIVEN TO ASSIST THOSE THAT ARE:

- Currently living in shelters
- Homeless families or individuals living on the streets or in cars
- Recent disasters such as burnouts, total loss of a home due to flood, fire or tornado
- Elderly persons
- Cherokee Nation Indian Child Welfare cases
- Families residing in over-crowded conditions
- Families living in Cherokee Nation or state-subsidized housing and are at risk of becoming homeless

# **School Clothing Assistance Program**

The overall goal of this program is to assist families with back to school expenses by providing financial assistance for school clothes for those attending public or private school. Applications are usually taken during the summer months on the Gadugi Portal.

# **Eligibility Requirements:**

- Open to students enrolled in kindergarten through 12th grade in a public/private school or a Cherokee Nation operated school.
- Student must be 5 years old by September 1
- Must reside within the Cherokee Nation Reservation
- Must be a Cherokee Nation citizen at time of application
- Must meet income eligibility guidelines

General Contact: 918-453-5000 or 1-800-256-0671

#### **Food Distribution**

The Cherokee Nation Food Distribution Program has been dedicated to distributing nutritious foods to eligible Native American families residing within the reservation boundaries of the Cherokee Nation and within the

USDA Food Nutrition Services approved Service Areas since 1983. The Cherokee Nation Food Distribution Program is funded through the United States Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition (USDA) and the Cherokee Nation. USDA-Food and Nutrition Services has developed a well-balanced food package for each participating household member. The amount of food a household receives is determined by the number of eligible household members approved. Services are provided through eight Food Distribution Stores. The Food Distribution Stores operate in a grocery store environment that allows participants to shop in a comfortable and familiar setting.

General Contact: 1-800-865-4462.

Tahlequah (Administration Office)......PH: 918-207-3920

**Food Distribution Sites** 

470512 E. 868 Rd., Stilwell, OK 74960

27469 S. 4410 Rd. Vinita, OK 74301

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Vinita .......PH: 918-323-4335

#### **Child Support Services**

The Cherokee Nation Office of Child Support Services (CNOCSS) provides genetic testing for paternity establishment; location services, establishes child support obligations and can assist in modifying child support orders. In addition, CNOCSS has a payment processing unit that ensures recordkeeping for all payment history and a case management unit that strives to ensure regular child support payments. The Child Support Services office focuses on ensuring that parents are supporting their children. CNOCSS works to provide additional services referrals that may be of benefit to the family and understands that support can come in a myriad of ways and works with all parties in a neutral environment to establish child support that is beneficial to each particular child and family.

#### **Eligibility Requirements:**

- A Cherokee child under the age of majority, and whom is currently residing within the tribe's reservation.
- A Cherokee child under the age of majority is defined as a person under the age of eighteen (18) years old or a person under the age of twenty (20) years old who has not graduated from high school and is regularly attending public or private school to complete their high school education.
- Child Support Services can also assist Cherokee citizens outside of the Cherokee Nation Reservation, with limited enforcement activities.

For more information, or to request an application, please visit one of our offices in Tahlequah, Catoosa, Stilwell, Sallisaw or Pryor or contact the Tahlequah office at 918-453-5444 or toll-free at 1-866-247-5346.

Email: childsupport1@cherokee.org Website: https://childsupport.cherokee.org/

# **Cherokee First Program**

Cherokee First is a resource located at the main Cherokee Nation complex for all Cherokee Nation citizens. They offer an array of information on Cherokee Nation. They also offer the Cherokee Community Leadership program to youth ages 10 to high school graduation in which applications start at the beginning of each fiscal year in October until all stipends are dispensed. This program offers financial stipends to youth if they are willing to contribute volunteer hours in approved areas. This same program extends this opportunity to anyone in a vocational program for at least six months or college as well as adults 62 years of age and older.

General Contact: 918-453-5000 Email: human\_services@cherokee.org.

#### INDIAN CHILD WELFARE

The division of Indian Child Welfare offers an array of protective services for children and families. The program will accept, investigate and record all reports of alleged abuse and neglect of Cherokee children and provides protection to Indian children directly on tribal trust land. Child Protective Services also works with the Department of Human Services to investigate the abuse or mistreatment of Cherokee children residing outside the Cherokee Nation. The primary responsibility of Child Protective Services is to assess the safety of the child and take the appropriate action to protect and promote the best interest of the child.

General Contact: 918-458-6900 Website: https://icw.cherokee.org Email: homes4kids@cherokee.org

#### What is child abuse?

Child abuse is defined by law as harm or threatened harm to a child's health and welfare through acts or neglect by the child's parent(s), legal guardian or caretaker.

- Physical Abuse: non-accidental physical injury to a child under the age of 18.
- Physical Neglect: failure to provide a child under the age of 18 with basic needs such as food, clothing, shelter, medical care, educational opportunity, protection or supervision.
- Sexual Abuse: sexual exploitation of a child or adolescent for the gratification of the perpetrator or another person.
- Psychological Maltreatment: rejecting, terrorizing, isolating, exploiting, corrupting, and/or denying emotional responsiveness.

#### Who is required to report child abuse?

EVERY PERSON, whether private citizen or professional, with reasonable cause to believe that a child under 18 is being abused or is in danger of being abused, is required to report the suspicion of abuse by federal, tribal and state law.

#### When should someone report child abuse?

A report should be made when there is reasonable cause to believe that a child or adolescent has been abused or neglected or is in danger of being abused.

#### How should an abuse report be made?

A report can be made to any county office of the Department of Human Services. Child abuse can also be reported 24 hours per day, seven days a week by calling the statewide child abuse hotline.

Statewide Child Abuse Hotline: 800-522-3511. or contact Cherokee Nation Indian Child Welfare Intake at 918-458-6900

# What information is needed when reporting abuse?

- Name of the child and family members
- Approximate age of the child (required) and family members
- Gender of the child and family members
- Family address or directions to the child's home or current location (required)
- Family phone number
- Parents place of employment
- Description of suspected abuse (required)
- Current condition of the child (required)

Those reporting child abuse can remain anonymous.

# **Becoming a Placement Resource Home**

Cherokee Nation welcomes a variety of Indian families from all over the U.S who are willing to be a resource for our Cherokee children and other Native American children. Cherokee Nation ICW actively recruits families of ALL degrees of Indian blood from ALL federally recognized tribes.

A family willing to open their home to Cherokee children in need of temporary or permanent care may apply to become a certified "Placement Resource home" with Cherokee Nation.

To learn more information, or make an application, contact ICW at 918-458-6900 or https://icw.cherokee.org

#### **Foster Care and Adoptive Home Certifications**

Cherokee Nation Indian Child Welfare accepts inquiries for families who want to become a certified foster or adoptive home for children who may be involved in the court systems throughout the United States. The criteria includes being able to love, respect, nurture, protect and parent a child, being at least 21 years of age, a citizen of a federally recognized tribe, in good health, and able to provide adequately for a child's day-to-day needs.

If you are interested in foster or adoption, please email: homes4kids@cherokee.org or visit the website at www.cherokeekids.org or their Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/homesforcherokeekids.

# **Cherokee Nation Angel Project**

The Cherokee Nation Angel Project which is facilitated by the Indian Child Welfare division was established to help provide Christmas gifts to low-income Native American children, living within the Cherokee Nation Reservation. Applications are accepted each fall usually during the month of October and November. Angels are distributed to several trees located at Cherokee Nation properties.

# Parents applying for Angel Project assistance must provide:

- $\bullet$  Proof of income for all household members over the age of 18
- If a parent(s) is unemployed, please provide two letters from nonrelatives verifying unemployed status
- Proof of tribal citizenship for each child applying
- Proof of residence within the Cherokee Nation Reservation
- Clothing sizes for each child
- Two gift ideas for each child

General Contact: 918-458-6900 Please check website or Cherokee Nation Facebook page to determine application dates.

# **JUDICIAL BRANCH**

Cherokee Nation Courts are open to every person or entity within the Cherokee Nation Reservation.

The District Court handles matters in the civil, criminal, and juvenile realms, while the Supreme Court hears cases of appeals and other jurisdiction as may be conferred by statute.

# Cherokee Nation Judicial Branch 101 S. Muskogee Ave., Tahlequah, OK 74465

Phone: 918-458-9440 Fax: 918-458-9572

#### **MARSHAL SERVICE**

The Cherokee Nation Marshal Service is a certified law enforcement agency with jurisdiction throughout the Cherokee Nation. The agency offers array of special teams focusing on prevention and justice in matters concerning criminal activities.

The Marshal Service provides an array of special emphasis units including: D.A.R.E.

- Dive Team
- Marshal Swift Water Rescue
- Domestic Violence Presentations
- Methamphetamine Presentations
- Narcotics Unit
- Gang Awareness
- Vehicle Accident Investigation
- Special Operations Team

General Contact: 918-207-3800 (non-emergency only)
Emergencies dial 911
Email: marshal-service@cherokee.org

# **REAL ESTATE SERVICES**

Real Estate Services is responsible for administering the laws, regulations, policies and procedures protecting and managing restricted and trust lands of individual Indians within the Cherokee Nation Reservation area of Cherokee Nation as well as tribal-owned real estate property. Real Estate Services provides advice and technical assistance to Cherokee Nation departments, Native American landowners and the public in general for the benefit of these properties, all under a self-governance compact with the Secretary of Interior. Real Estate Services can also assist tribal citizens with writing their Last Will and Testament.

General Contact: 918-453-5000

#### TAX COMMISSION

The Cherokee Nation can register your motor vehicle and license your personal watercraft. In order to process your application you will need a title, serial number verification, bill of sale, driver's license, tribal citizenship card, proof of residency, lien information and a completed application.

Tahlequah Office	PH: 918-453-5100
Sallisaw Office	Contact Tahlequah Office
Adair Office	Contact Tahlequah Office
Collinsville Office	Contact Tahlequah Office
Jay Office 1178 W. Cherokee, Jay, OK 74346	Contact Tahlequah Office
Catoosa Office	Contact Tahlequah Office

For quotes call: 918-453-5100 or Email: tags@cherokee.org

# **Hunting and Fishing**

Cherokee Nation tribal citizens are eligible to hunt and fish within the Cherokee Nation Reservation in accordance with tribal law, which requires a Cherokee Nation citizenship blue card or Cherokee Nation ID as a valid hunting and fishing license (subject to applicable trespassing laws and respect for private property rights). Individuals who are not Cherokee Nation citizens are eligible to hunt and fish within the reservation in accordance with state law; however, only citizens of the Cherokee Nation are allowed to hunt or fish on tribal lands.

For more information, contact: 918-453-5333 or 844-259-4868 or Email fishandgame@cherokee.org.

#### TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

#### **Providers**

Cherokee Nation Transit has operation agreements with four providers in order to maximize the number of drivers, dispatchers, and vehicles available for public transportation services. Each provider is listed below along with contact information, service hours, and dispatch locations.

# Ki Bois Area Transit System (KATS)

Demand response hours 8:00a.m. to 5:00p.m. Monday – Friday except for holidays. Dispatcher hours: in town rides are 8:00a.m. to 4:00p.m.. Out of town (most areas) are 8:00a.m. to 3:30p.m..

Out of fown (most areas) are 8:00a.m. to 3:30p.m.. Stilwell Office .......PH: 918-696-4787

Tahlequah Office
 Sallisaw Office
 PH: 918-453-1155
 PH: 918-775-7433

• Wagoner Office PH: 918-485-0059

For a complete listing of all KATS offices and services please visit www.kibois.org.

# **Pelivan Transit System**

All dispatch routed to Big Cabin, OK

Demand response service times vary by location.

Dispatch hours: during hours of operation.

Hours of operation traveling outside of the city/town limits vary dependent upon trip need.

Miami, OK ......PH: 855-735-4826

Monday - Thursday 8:00a.m. - 6:00p.m.

Fridays 8:00a.m. - 8:00p.m.

Saturdays and Sundays 12:00p.m. - 8:00p.m.

Monday – Thursday 8:00a.m. – 4:30p.m.

Fridays and Saturdays 8:00a.m.-8:00p.m.

Owasso, OK ......PH: 855-735-4826

Mondays - Fridays 8:00a.m. - 4:00p.m.

Monday – Friday 8:00a.m. – 4:00p.m.

Pryor, OK	PH: 855-735-4826
Monday - Friday 8:00a.m 4:00p.m.	
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Vinita, OK	PH: 855-735-4826
Monday – Friday 8:00a.m. – 4:00p.m.	

For a complete listing of all Pelivan offices and services please, visit www. pelivantransit.org.

#### **Muskogee County Transit Authority**

Demand Response hours 6:00a.m. – 5:30p.m. Monday – Friday and 9:00a.m. – 4:00p.m. on Saturdays.

Dispatcher hours: In town rides are 9:00a.m. – 4:00p.m. Monday – Friday.

Muskogee Office 918-682-1721

For a complete listing of all Muskogee County Transit services please visit www.muskogeecountytransit.org.

Cimarron Public Transit System:

Demand Response hours 7:00a.m. – 5:00p.m. Monday – Friday with limited Saturday service, except holidays.

Dispatcher hours: 8:00a.m. - 4:00p.m..

Bartlesville Office 918-336-2233 TDD: 800-722-0353

For a complete listing of all Cimarron services please visit http://www.ucapinc. org/Transit\_Sites.html

#### **Commuter Routes**

The Cherokee Nation Transit program in coordination with Pelivan Transit, Kibois Area Transit System (KATS) and Muskogee County Transit (MCT) have several commuter-routes that span over numerous counties. These commuter-routes are listed in a Multi-Purpose Schedule. The schedule is available in the download section on the Cherokee Nation website: https://transit.cherokee.org/commuter-routes/. All commuter-routes are open to the public for anyone needing transportation to the specified locations within the established timeframes. Fares are \$1.00 round-trip or \$.50 cents one way with free rides on Fridays.

#### TRIBAL REGISTRATION

The Cherokee Nation Registration Office processes Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood (CDIB), Dawes and tribal citizenship applications and issues CDIB, citizenship, and photo ID cards. The Registration office also issues Indian Preference Letters, provides verification of tribal citizenship, verifies eagle feather applications and provides registration services as needed.

The basic criteria for CDIB/Cherokee Nation tribal citizenship is that an application must be submitted along with documents that directly connect a person to an enrolled lineal ancestor who is listed on the "Dawes Roll" Final Rolls of Citizens and Freedman of the Five Civilized Tribes.

Photo ID? All you need is your driver's license or an ID. Call the registration department.

\*General Contact: 918-453-5058 or 1-800-256-0671 you can also email the registration department at: registration@cherokee.org

#### Need assistance with research?

In addition to protecting and preserving Cherokee assets, the center provides access to archival materials, a research library, and genealogical services to assist in family history research. Artifacts, documents and other materials are available to view in person by request, and the center is dedicated to digitizing the collection for greater accessibility.

For more information, contact 918-456-6007 or email research@visitcherokeenation.com

#### Access the "DAWES ROLLS" at

accessgenealogy.com or www.okhistory.org/research/dawes

If you are tracing to an ancestor that came from around Tennessee, Georgia, Eastern Alabama or South Carolina, you may want to correspond with:

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Qualla Boundary
Mailing Address: PO BOX 445
Cherokee NC 28719
828-497-7000
www.ebci.com

#### **CHARLES L. HEAD ONE FIRE**

The Charles L. Head ONE FIRE Against Violence Victim Services Office provides services to increase the safety for victims of crime. ONE FIRE stands for Our Nation Ending Fear, Intimidation, Rape, and Endangerment. They will provide victim advocacy services for those who may need emergency assistance from family violence situations.

The ONE FIRE program advocates will assist with referrals for domestic violence shelters, legal help, counseling, support groups. In addition they will assist with accompanying the victim to court proceedings, assisting them with competing police reports and assists in explaining court procedures. They will work toward identifying any necessary services for you and your children.

Cherokee Nation ONE FIRE Victim Services 17725 S. Muskogee Ave. Tahlequah, OK 74464 Main Office: 918-772-4260 After-hours Emergency Hotline: 1-866-458-5399

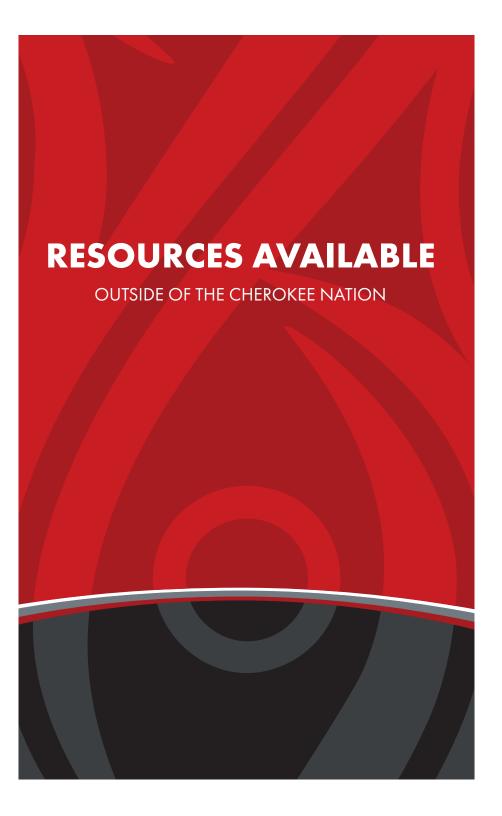
#### **Domestic Violence Shelters**

Domestic violence shelters generally have room for both the mother/father and their children. The shelter will provide for all your basic living needs, including food and child care. The length of time you can stay at the shelter is limited, but most shelters will also help you find a permanent home, job, and other things you need to start a new life. The shelter should also be able to refer you to other services for abused and battered women in your community which include the following:

- Legal Help
- Counseling
- Support Groups
- Services for your children
- Employment Programs
- Health-Related Services
- Educational Opportunities
- Financial Assistance

Cherokee Nation does not currently operate a women's shelter, however, there are shelters that are within the reservation that the tribe works with.

Help-In-Crisis 918-456-4357 (Tahlequah) SafeNet 918-341-9400 (Claremore) DVIS 918-743-5763 (Tulsa) Osiyo Men's Shelter 918-708-9474 (Tahlequah)



# **OKDHS**

# **Adult Abuse**

Oklahoma Adult Protective Services	PH: 1800-522-3511
Oklahoma Nursing Home Hotline	PH: 1800-747-8419
Family Support and Prevention Service	PH: 405-271-4000
Child Abuse and Neglect	
Cherokee County (Help in Crisis Center)	PH: 918-456-0673
OKDHS Abuse and Neglect Hotline	. PH: 1-800-522-3511
Department of Health wy	ww.ok.gov/health
Adair County	PH: 918-696-7292
Cherokee County	PH: 918-456-8826
Craig County	PH: 918-256-7531
Delaware County	PH: 918-253-4511
Mayes County	PH: 918-825-4224
McIntosh County	PH: 918-689-7774
Muskogee County	PH: 918-683-0321
Nowata County	

Ottawa County
Rogers CountyPH: 918-341-3166 2664 N. Highway 88, Unit A, Claremore, OK 74017
Sequoyah County
Tulsa County
Wagoner CountyPH: 918-485-3022 212 N. Pierce, Wagoner, OK 74467
Washington CountyPH: 918-335-3005 5121 S.E. Jacquelyn Ln., Bartlesville, OK 74006
Department of Human Services
Adair CountyPH: 918-797-2900 83346 S 4700 Rd (Section Line Rd)Toll Free: 1-800-225-0049 Stilwell, OK 74960
Cherokee CountyPH: 918-207-4500 1298 W. Fourth St., Tahlequah, OK 74464Toll Free: 1-800-225-9868
Craig County
Delaware County
Mayes County
McIntosh County
Muskogee County

Nowata County	PH: 918-273-2327
309 Delaware, Nowata, OK 74048	
Ottawa County	PH: 918-541-2400
Rogers County	
Sequoyah County	
Tulsa County	PH: 918-430-2300
3666 N. Peoria, Tulsa, OK 74106	
444 S. Houston, Tulsa, OK 74127	PH: 918-581-2401
	Toll Free: 1-800-734-7516
Wagoner County	
102 N.E. Seventh St., Wagoner, OK 74467.	
Washington County	
205 Jacquelyn Ln., Bartlesville, OK 74006	Toll Free: 1-800-734-7512

# **CHILD CARE**

Contact your local DHS office on child care or visit the OKDHS website at: www.okdhs.org  $\,$ 

# **CLOTHING**

Golden Rule Thrift Shop	PH: 918-456-1623
Help-In-Crisis, Inc.	PH: 918-456-0673
205 N. College Ave., Tahlequah, OK 74464 Crisis Hotline:	1-800-799-7233
Kings Aid Station	PH: 918-458-0350

Vian Peace Center	PH: 918-773-6374
Catholic Charities Bartlesville – Mary Martha Outreach	PH: 918-337-3703
Broken Arrow-Ministry of Compassion	PH: 918-872-1661
Catholic Charities Food Bank	PH: 918-681-6115
Sallisaw Helping Center	PH: 918-775-6111
ZOE Institute INC	ngle mothers nd their children. nat is equipped to ering long-term

# COUNSELING - MENTAL HEALTH - SUBSTANCE ABUSE

National Suicide Prevention LifelineToll Free Can call or text 988 (instead of toll-free number)	e: 1-800-273-8255
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) Toll F	ree: 844-335-2408
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Admin. 24/7	1-800-662-4357
Addiction Campuses	1-888-816-8415
CREOKS Mental Health Bartlesville Clinic	. PH: 918-336-0810
Claremore Clinic	PH: 918-342-2080

Miami Clinic	PH: 918-542-6412
Muskogee Clinic433 W. Broadway, Muskogee, OK 74401	PH: 918-687-7064
Sallisaw Clinic 1108 N. Wheeler, Sallisaw, OK 74955	PH: 918-775-5513
Stilwell Clinic	PH: 918-696-6212
Tahlequah Clinic	PH: 918-207-0078
Tulsa Clinic	PH: 918-382-7300

#### **ParentPRO**

ParentPro connects Oklahoma families with young children by linking you with programs that best fit your family. Professionals help reduce the stress that comes with being a parent by modeling skills, providing information, and connecting to resources.

The programs are designed to:

- Reduce parental stress
- Promote health
- Increase family communication
- Improve parent-child bonding
- Help manage child behavior
- Promote learning about your child's development

For more information, call 1-877-271-7611 or visit their website at www.parentpro.org

### **Improving Lives**

Improving Lives Counseling Services is dedicated to helping people live better lives by providing high-quality counseling services in Tahlequah to adults, children, couples and families in a professional, non-judgmental, supportive and friendly environment. Counseling services include: marriage counseling, therapy services, family counseling, depression counseling, many other counseling and therapy services.

For more information, contact: 918-506-4012.

OK Treatment Services, LLC. PH: 918-4 109 W. Ray Fine Blvd., Roland, OK 74954	27-3344
People, Inc. Sallisaw OfficePH: 918-7 210 N JT Stites Blvd, Sallisaw, OK 74955 Toll Free: 800-3 Email: info@peopleinc.org	
Tahlequah Office	53-121 <i>7</i>
Stilwell Office PH: 918-69	96-5536
Viewpoint Counseling Center	90-2292

### **DISABILITY SERVICES**

KI BOIS Community Action Disability ProgramsPH: 918-647-7264 www.kibois.org
Social Security Administration
March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation (MOD) PH: 405-943-1025 
Oklahoma Autism CenterPH: 405-842-9995 3901 NW 63 <sup>rd</sup> St. Suite 100, OKC, OK 73116autismcenterok.org
National Multiple Sclerosis Society of Oklahoma PH: 1-800-344-4867 4604 E. 67th St.Bldg 7, Ste. 103, Tulsa, OK 74136 nationalmssociety.org

Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) N 3300 E. Sunrise Dr., Tucson, AZ 85718	Toll Free: 1-800-344-4863
National Easter Seal Society	Toll Free 1-800-221-6827
Oklahoma Department of Rehabilitation Sc 3535 N.W 58 <sup>th</sup> St. Suite 500 Oklahoma City, OK 73112	
Parkview School for the Blind	
<b>Social Security Administration</b> Adair, Cherokee, Muskogee Counties 2401 W. Shawnee St., Muskogee, OK 74.	
Leflore, Haskell, Sequoyah Counties	
Nationwide	Toll Free: 1-800-772-1213
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Crisis Center for Women (Ft. Smith, AR) Women Crisis Center Services	AL ASSAULT SERVICES  PH: 479-782-4956  (24 Hour) 918-647-4198  Hotline 918-647-9800  PH: 918-696-6865
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National Domestic Violence Hotline
Reach-Out HotlineToll Free: 1-800-522-9054 (for mental health or substance abuse issues)
OK Dept. of Mental Health and Substance AbusePH: 405-522-3908
Safenet (Claremore)
Domestic Violence Intervention Services (DVIS)
National Human Trafficking HotlineToll Free: 1-888-373-7888
National Dating Abuse Hotline Toll Free: 1-866-331-9474
National Sexual Assault HotlineToll Free: 1-800-656-4673
EDUCATION
Adair County Public LibraryPH: 918-696-7512 5 N. 6 <sup>th</sup> St., Stilwell, OK 74960stilwellplweols.org
Cherokee County Public Library
Adult Learning Resource Center
Tahlequah Adult Learning Center (Cherokee County) PH: 918-458-4170
Indian Capitol Technology Center  • Adair County  • Cherokee County  • McIntosh County  • Muskogee County  • Muskogee County  • Sequoyah County  PH: 918-687-6383  PH: 918-775-9119

Health and Wellness CenterPh	H: 918-967-0748
1400 Hensley Dr., Tahlequah, OK 74464	
Serving Adair, Cherokee, McIntosh and Seguoyah Count	ies

## **FOOD PANTRY**

CARE Food Pantry	PH: 918-458-5338
Stilwell Food Pantry (ACRC)	
Hope Center Inc	PH: 918-723-4673
Muldrow 1 <sup>st</sup> Assembly of God Food Pantry 1400 W. Shawntel Smith Blvd., Muldrow, OK <i>7</i> 4948	. PH: 918-427-7844
Vian Peace Center	. PH: 918-739-5351
ZOE Institute INC	.PH: 918-453-9778
EMPLOYMENT	
Workforce of Oklahoma	oklahomaworks.gov
Oklahoma Works American Job Center	PH: 918-456-8846

Sequoyah County......PH: 918-775-5541

401 W. Houser, Sallisaw, OK 74955

14002 E. 21 s,t Tulsa, OK 74134

### **HEALTH**

American Heart Association				
Sallisaw Health and Wellness Center PH: 918-790-2653 1630 S Kerr Blvd., Sallisaw, OK 74955				
RX for Oklahoma Statewide: 877-794-6552				
Sooner Care Helpline				
SoonerRide				
Behavioral Health Helpline Toll Free 1-800-652-2010				
Sooner Care Advice Line Toll Free: 1-800-987-7767				
Improving Lives				
HEALTH CLINICS				
Good Shepherd Health Clinic				
NEO Hulbert Health CenterPH: 918-772-2879				

NEO Health Muskogee ......PH: 918-683-0470

124 E. Main, Hulbert, OK 74441

1328 S. York St., Muskogee, OK 74403

NEO Health Westville Family Medical CenterPH: 918-723-3997 761 Buffington., Westville, OK 74965			
NEO Health Women's Care Center PH: 918-456-2496 1500 E. Downing St. Suite 208, Tahlequah, OK 74464			
HOSPITALS			
St. Francis Hospital – Muskogee East PH: 918-687-7777 2900 N. Main St., Muskogee, Ok 74401			
St. Francis Hospital – Muskogee West PH: 918-682-5501 300 Rockefeller Dr., Muskogee, OK 74401			
Sequoyah Memorial Hospital			
Stilwell Memorial HospitalPH: 918-696-3101 1401 W. Locust, Stilwell, OK 74960			
NEO Health System			
VA Medical Center			
W.W. Hastings Indian Hospital			
HOUSING			
Stilwell Housing Authority			
Garden Walk of Stilwell			
Garden Walk of TahlequahPH: 918-456-0561 18165 W. 798 Rd., Tahlequah, OK 74464			
Ozark Ridge Affordable Housing PH: 918-453-2717 1331 W. Ozark St., Tahlequah, OK 74464			

Muskogee Housing AuthorityPH: 918-910-5489 220 N. 40 <sup>th</sup> St., Muskogee, OK <i>7</i> 4401
Tulsa Housing Authority Central OfficePH: 918-582-0021
Oklahoma Housing, Finance AgencyPH: 405-848-1144 205 NW 63 <sup>rd</sup> St. STE 140, Oklahoma City, OK 73116
LEGAL SERVICES
Legal Aid Services
Oklahoma Indian Legal Services
Early Settlement Mediation In mediation, a neutral, third party helps those in conflict define issues, explore solutions and reach practical, workable, and mutually satisfactory agreements. Mediation seeks to prevent conflicts from escalating, saving everyone involved the time and expense of going to court.  Services offered are the following:
East Program
Northeast Program
Tulsa ProgramPH: 918-596-7786 2315 Charles Page Blvd., Tulsa, OK 74127 Serving Tulsa Area and Parts of Osage and Wagoner Counties

### **LIBRARIES**

John F. Henderson, Public LibraryPH: 918-723-5002 1152 N. Williams Ave., Westville, OK 74965			
Stilwell Public Library			
Hulbert Community LibraryPH: 918-772-3383 210 N. Broadway, Hulbert, OK 74441			
Tahlequah Public LibraryPH: 918-456-2581 120 S. College, Tahlequah, OK 74464			
Tulsa City County Library PH: 918-549-7323 400 Civic Center, Tulsa, OK 74103			
The Henry Zarrow Tulsa City – County Library PH: 918-549-7323 2224 W 51 st, Tulsa, OK 74107			
Stanley Tubbs Memorial Library PH: 918-775-4481 101 E. Cherokee Ave., Sallisaw, OK 74955			
SHELTERS			
Gospel Rescue Mission IncPH: 918-682-3489 323 Callahan, Muskogee, OK 74403			
John Ketcher Youth Shelter			
Tahlequah Men's Shelter			

# **TRANSPORTATION**

**KATS Transit** 

Serving Adair, Cherokee, Wagoner, Sequoyah, and McIntosh counties Toll Free Number 1-800-289-7228

# KIBOIS Community Action KATS www.kibois.org

Checotah KATS	PH: 918-473-2388	
Sallisaw KATS	PH: 918-775-7433	
Stilwell KATS	PH: 918-696-4787	
• Tahlequah KATS	PH: 918-453-1155	
Wagoner KATS	PH: 918-485-0059	

SoonerRide.......Toll Free: 877-404-4500

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

American Red Cross	PH: 918-456-8788
1051 E. 11 <sup>th</sup> St., Tulsa, OK <i>7</i> 4128	Toll Free: 1-800-733-2767

CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate for Kids).....PH: 918-456-8788 201 E. Delaware St., Tahlequah, OK 74464

### **YOUTH ACTIVITY CENTERS**

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OTHER TRIBES			
Chickasaw Nation			
Choctaw Nation			
Muscogee (Creek) Nation			
Seminole NationPH: 405-257-7282 36645 US 270, Wewoka, OK 74884			

#### **CALL 211**

211 is highly trained specialists available 24/7 to help access the best local resources and services to address any need. Reach out to 211 to speak with a community resource specialist in your area who can help find you services and resources that are available to you locally and provide critical services that can improve – and save – lives. You will find help with:

- Supplemental food and nutrition programs
- Shelter and housing options and utilities assistance
- Emergency information and disaster relief
- Employment and education opportunities
- Services for veterans
- Healthcare, vaccination and health epidemic information
- Addiction prevention and rehabilitation programs
- Reentry help for ex-offenders
- Support groups for individuals with mental illnesses or special needs
- A safe, confidential path out of physical and/or emotional domestic abuse

211 is completely confidential

Cherokee Nation Office of Child Support Services and Child Care & Development has in good faith, made every effort to assure that the information in this publication is complete, current and accurate.

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This publication has been created to help you connect with the resources in your community. The content provided in this publication is not exhaustive and is subject to change. While services listed in this publication may very well suit a particular client's needs, other services not listed herein may be available in the community that might better meet an individual's specific needs or serve them equally as well.

#### DO YOU NEED HELP PAYING FOR CHILD CARE?

You may qualify for Cherokee Nation Child Care & Development child care subsidy!

#### **ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES**

- Parents must be working/going to school
- Meet income guidelines
- Proof of citizenship in a federally recognized tribe
- Children must be age 12 or under (children with special needs up to age 19)
- Live within 14-county Cherokee Nation reservation

Subsidy Guidelines  Note: Clients not classified as self employed are eligible for a work related expense deduction of 35% of the total gross income.				
Family Size	Yearly	Monthly		
1	\$36, <i>7</i> 32	\$3,061		
2	\$48,034	\$4,003		
3	\$59,336	\$4,945		
4	\$70,638	\$5,887		
5	\$81,940	\$6,828		
6	\$93,242	\$7,770		
7	\$95,361	\$7,947		
8	\$97,480	\$8,123		
9	\$99,600	\$8,300		
10	\$101, <i>7</i> 19	\$8,477		



Contact a Child Care & Development Subsidy Caseworker for more information.
918-453-5300
childcare.cherokee.org/subsidy