

PROGRAM PROFILES





The Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (Tlingit & Haida) is pleased to offer tribal citizens a variety of family-centered services focused on promoting and supporting safe and stable families.

These programs are supported jointly through contracts and agreements with other tribes and private, local, state and federal agencies, with the majority of resources generated from federal grants.

This Program Profiles booklet shares important information (program descriptions, communities served, eligibility requirements and contact information) on Tlingit & Haida's programs and services.

Don't hesitate to contact us if you have questions or would like more information.

We are honored to serve you!



Tlingit & Haida

Tlingit & Haida is a tribal government representing over 36,000 Tlingit and Haida people worldwide. Founded in 1935, we are a sovereign entity and have a government-to-government relationship with the United States. Tlingit & Haida has a proud legacy that was established to protect, preserve and advocate for the rights of our tribal citizens.

We are proud of the history our forefathers established in the areas of self-governance, self-determination and tribal administration. Although our role has changed over time, our commitment to serving the Tlingit and Haida people remains strong.

Tlingit & Haida offers a wide range of services through various departments and programs. We continue to promote the welfare of our citizens through service delivery and tribal self-governance.

Mission

Preserve our sovereignty, enhance our economic and cultural resources, and promote self-sufficiency and self-governance for our citizens.

Vision

Prosperous, healthy tribe and tribal citizens who thrive culturally, spiritually and economically.

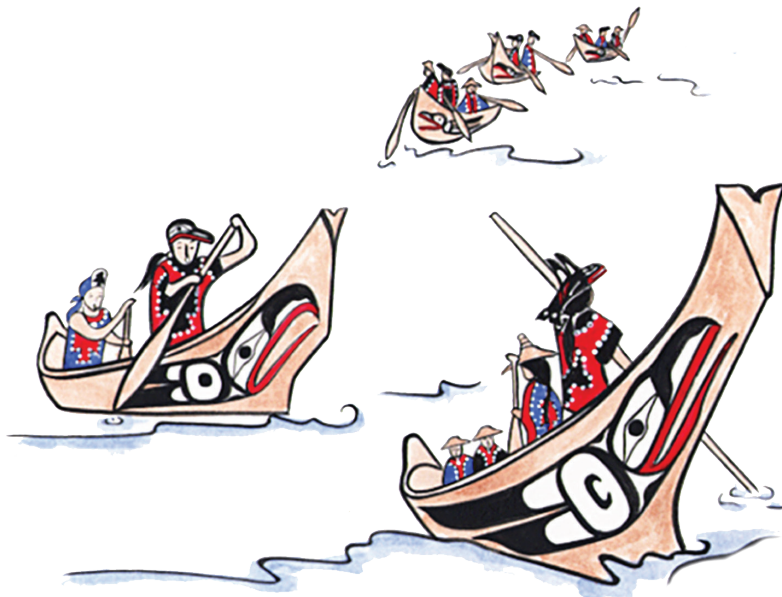


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CLIENT INFORMATION

Client Intake Process

Step 1 - Initial Contact

- Intake staff will meet with each applicant and establish which service he/she may apply for. Determinations on whether or not applicants will receive benefits (or services) are not made by intake staff.

Step 2 - Applications Provided

- Intake staff will provide the appropriate application(s) for services and assist with the application process.

Step 3 - Return Completed Application(s) to Intake

- Individuals submitting a **complete** application will be contacted within two (2) business days to schedule an appointment. Individuals submitting an **incomplete** application will:
 - » Receive a letter within five (5) business days identifying any documents necessary to complete their application, and
 - » Have 30 days from the receipt of application to submit required documentation.

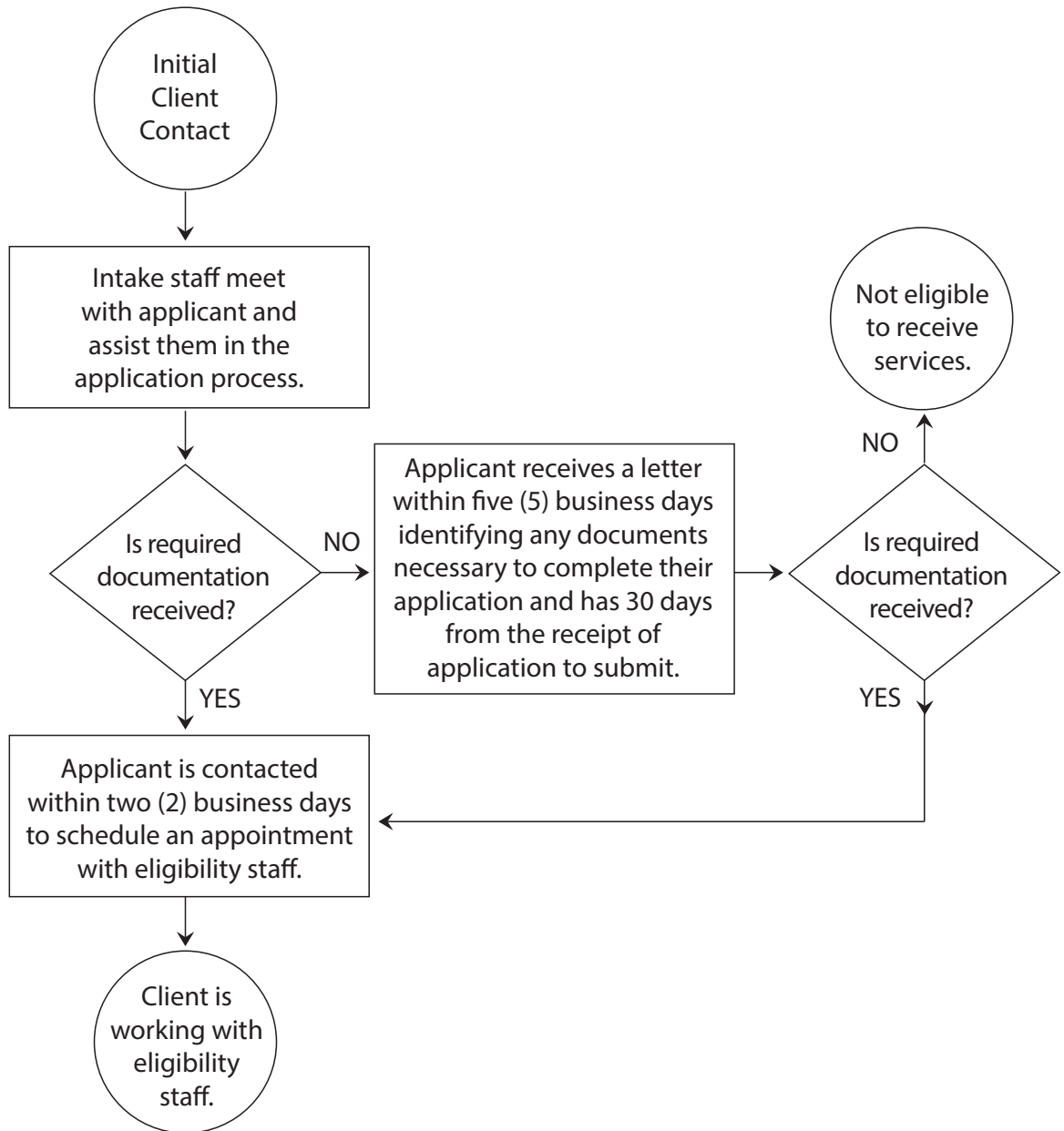
Step 4 - Meet with Eligibility Staff

- Applicant will meet with eligibility staff to determine eligibility.

Contact

Tlingit & Haida | Client Intake Process
PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

- Child Care Development
Direct: 907.463.7140 | Fax: 1.907.885.0034 | Email: DeptCC@tlingitandhaida.gov
- Employment & Training
Direct: 907.463.7332 | Fax: 1.877.333.3449 | Email: 477JuneauET@tlingitandhaida.gov
- General Assistance
Direct: 907.463.7332 | Email: GeneralAssistance@tlingitandhaida.gov
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
Direct: 907.463.7313 | Fax: 1.907.885.0038 | Email: 477TANF@tlingitandhaida.gov
- Tribal Child Support Unit
Direct: 907.463.7132 | Fax: 1.907.375.2956 | Email: TCSU@tlingitandhaida.gov
- Tribal Vocational Rehabilitation
Direct: 907.463.7326 | Fax: 1.877.560.3927 | Email: TVR@tlingitandhaida.gov



Frequently Asked Questions

Applying for Services

Who would I talk to about getting financial assistance? The process begins by completing an application for services with intake staff. Once a complete application is received, applicant will meet with eligibility staff to determine eligibility.

Do I need an appointment to meet with intake staff? Applicants are encouraged to contact our office to schedule an appointment to meet with Intake staff.

If I've received services from Tlingit & Haida in the past, do I need to turn in a new application? You do not need to complete an application if you have received services in the past 30 days. After 30 days, a new application is required.

I have already met with eligibility staff and been approved for benefits, but I have not received anything yet. Who would I talk to about this? You will need to contact the eligibility staff you met with.

Enrollment Eligibility

Do I have to be Tlingit and/or Haida to enroll with the Tribe? Yes, we are restricted to enrolling individuals of Tlingit and/or Haida (bloodline) descent.

Do I need an original birth certificate to be enrolled? Yes, your original birth certificate is needed unless you reside in a Tlingit & Haida recognized community. A Community Navigator is located in Tlingit & Haida communities to assist in expediting enrollment services by certifying birth certificates so originals will no longer have to be sent by mail, notarizing documents, and taking photos to create tribal identification cards. If applying via U.S. Postal Service, your birth certificate will be returned to you via certified mail with return receipt once documented for your enrollment record.

I'm adopted, what paperwork do I need to submit with my application? You will need to submit your pre-adoptive birth certificate or court document with biological parent(s) listed along with your certified amended birth certificate.

How often do you meet to enroll new tribal citizens? Tribal Enrollment Committee meetings are held twice a year.

Is it possible to be enrolled before the next scheduled Tribal Enrollment Committee meeting? Yes, Tlingit & Haida's President or designee can authorize a provisional (temporary) enrollment.

Frequently Asked Questions (Cont.)

Blood Quantum Information

How do I change my blood quantum? If your blood quantum is incorrect, you will need to request a correction in writing and provide the necessary documentation showing proof of blood quantum.

Will my descendants' blood quantum be automatically corrected? No, you will need to provide the name and date of birth for each descendant in order for their blood quantum to be corrected.

Tribal ID Cards

How do I get a tribal ID card? Stop by any of the following office locations and make sure to bring a form of ID verification (State ID, Social Security Card, or Voter Registration Card) and staff will be happy to assist you:

Anchorage

725 East Fireweed Lane, Suite 420

Juneau

410 Willoughby Ave 1st floor

Ketchikan

425 Jefferson Way

Klawock

6488 Klawock Hollis Hwy Ste 4

Sitka

204 Siginaka Way Ste 200

Washington - Lynnwood

20700 44th Ave W Ste 220

To obtain a new tribal ID card via United States Postal Service, mail a completed and notarized Tribal Identification Card affidavit to:

Tlingit & Haida
Attn: Program Compliance
PO Box 25500 • Juneau, Alaska 99802

The affidavit can be downloaded from Tlingit & Haida's website www.tlingitandhaida.gov under the Enrollment and Forms webpages.

You can also contact Tlingit & Haida's Community Navigators program to request assistance with your Tribal ID Card Affidavit. They are available to take photos and notarize the Tribal ID Card Affidavit. To schedule an appointment, call 907.463.7336 or email CommunityNavigator@tlingitandhaida.gov.

What can I use my Tribal ID card for? A Tribal ID card is a valid form of government-issued photo identification in many places, though some may be unaware of this. For example, a Tribal ID card is valid at federal buildings, airports, and banks.

Frequently Asked Questions (Cont.)

Can I fly with a Tribal ID card? Yes, a Tribal ID card is an acceptable form of identification for traveling within the United States.

Does my Tribal ID expire? Yes, Tlingit & Haida's Tribal ID expires five (5) years after issuance.

Should my Tribal ID be accepted at any establishment that sells goods and services? Yes, your Tribal ID should be accepted as a form of identification at any establishment that sells goods and services.

Can I use my Tribal ID to fly into Canada or Mexico? No, a passport is required for traveling by plane into Canada or Mexico.

Can I use my Tribal ID to travel into Canada or Mexico by road? Yes, your Tribal ID can be used to travel into Canada, but can only be used as a second form of ID for traveling between the United States and Mexico. Traveling into Mexico requires a passport.

Can a Tribal ID card be used to vote? Yes, a Tribal ID card issued by a federally recognized tribe can be used for voting.

Does my Tribal ID Meet the REAL ID standard? The REAL ID Act, enacted by Congress in 2005, establishes standards for the issuance of identification cards and driver's licenses by states and territories. However, the Act does not set standards for IDs issued by federally recognized tribes. Tlingit & Haida's Tribal ID has enhanced security features.

What if a TSA agent questions or rejects your Tribal ID? If a TSA agent does not accept your Tribal ID, request to speak with their supervisor. Not all TSA agents know that a Tribal ID card is an acceptable form of identification for traveling within the United States. You can also call the TSA Contact Center at 1.866.289.9673 to file a complaint.

Enrollment Information Provided or Released

What information is provided over the phone regarding enrollment?

- No information is provided to an outside entity without a signed and dated written release.
- Your enrollment number can be provided to you after demographic verification.

Can family members request verification of enrollment? If over 18, a written Release of Information (ROI) or Power of Attorney (POA) is required to release enrollment verification.

Client Complaint Process

A client who is unhappy with the service they received by Tlingit & Haida staff may submit a written complaint. All complaints are taken seriously and will be reviewed and responded to.

Step 1 - Client

A client may submit a written complaint to the Program Compliance Manager. Written complaints must include:

- Date and location of the incident,
- Names of individuals involved,
- Accurate description of the incident, and
- Contact information for follow-up.

A written complaint may be submitted to the Program Compliance Manager via:

- In person at 320 W. Willoughby Avenue, Juneau AK 99801,
- Fax to 907.885.0052 (Attn: Program Compliance),
- Email to Complaint@tlingitandhaida.gov, or
- United States Postal Service to:

Tlingit & Haida
Attn: Program Compliance
PO Box 25500
Juneau, Alaska 99802

Step 2 - Program Compliance

- The Program Compliance Manager or their designee will make every effort to review a complaint and submit a written report to the appropriate department Director/Manager within five (5) working days.
- The department Director/Manager will meet with their appropriate staff and advise of corrective action to be taken within five (5) working days.

Contact

Tlingit & Haida | Program Compliance
PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802
Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7143 | Local: 907.463.7143 | Fax: 1.907.885.0052
Email: Complaint@tlingitandhaida.gov

Client Appeal Process

A client who is denied or received a reduction of services or benefits has the right to file a written appeal by following these procedures. Determination of client services or benefits is made based on a review of program policies, procedures and the required official documentation.

Step 1 - Client

- A client has ten (10) working days from the date of receipt of a decision to submit a written appeal to the department Director/Manager or his/her designee.
- A client outside of Juneau must have their written appeal postmarked within ten (10) working days from the date of receipt of a decision.
- A client may request another person to be present at meetings or interviews. The client must notify the department Director/Manager or his/her designee who this person is, contact information, and their role. Guidelines will need to be established to ensure confidentiality if the person is not a Tlingit & Haida employee.

Step 2 - Director/Manager

- The department Director/Manager or his/her designee, in consultation with subordinate staff, will make every effort to review documentation and make a decision in the shortest amount of time possible which will not exceed five (5) working days from the date of receipt of the appeal.
- A client not satisfied with the department's decision may submit a written request within five (5) working days from the date of receipt of the decision to the Program Compliance Manager or his/her designee to have their appeal reviewed by the Appeals Committee.

Step 3 - Appeals Committee

- A client must complete Step 1 before the Program Compliance Manager or his/her designee will consider referral to the Appeals Committee.
- The Appeals Committee will review the appeal within five (5) working days of receipt.
- The client will be notified of the Appeals Committee's decision within two (2) working days after the date of its meeting.
- All decisions of the Appeals Committee are final.

CLIENT SERVICES

Burial Assistance

Program Description

Burial Assistance is an indigent burial program that provides financial assistance to help defray burial expenses. It is only available in absence of other resources. An application will be accepted from the surviving spouse, or if none, the relative responsible for making the arrangements. Assistance from other sources is deducted from the qualifying funding amount. Direct payments are made to the mortuary performing the burial service.

Communities Served

- Angoon
- Craig
- Gustavus
- Haines
- Hydaburg
- Juneau
- Kasaan
- Klawock
- Pelican
- Saxman
- Tenakee
- Thorne Bay
- Wrangell

Eligibility Requirements

- Deceased must be an Alaska Native and/or American Indian that has resided in the service area for at least the last six (6) consecutive months of his/her life.
- Family must demonstrate proof of eligibility for tribal enrollment or provide a Certificate of Indian Blood (CIB) from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA).
- Deceased must not have had sufficient resources to meet the essential needs.
- Must submit application within 180 days of date of death.
- Must provide proof of application with the State of Alaska General Relief Assistance (GRA) Cremation/Burial Assistance program.

Funding Agency

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Contact

Family Services Division | General Assistance

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7332 | Local: 907.463.7332 | Fax: 1.877.333.3449

Email: GeneralAssistance@tlingitandhaida.gov

Child Care Development

Program Description

The Child Care Development Department (Child Care) provides services to reduce joblessness by increasing the availability, affordability and quality of child care in Southeast Alaska communities. Financial assistance for child care services is available to eligible clients who are low to moderate income and engaged in work and/or training activities. Services are supplemental to any existing resource available to the parent.

Child Care also offers a quality improvement program for child care providers to help with health and safety equipment, business licenses and training. The department also supports before-school, after-school and cultural activities.

Communities Served

Discretionary (Subsidy)

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| ▪ Angoon | ▪ Hydaburg | ▪ Ketchikan | ▪ Saxman |
| ▪ Craig | ▪ Juneau | ▪ Klawock | ▪ Skagway |
| ▪ Douglas | ▪ Kake | ▪ Pelican | ▪ Tenakee |
| ▪ Haines | ▪ Kasaan | ▪ Petersburg | ▪ Wrangell |

Mandatory (low-income/TANF/GA/EA/CPS cases)

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|-----------|-------------|--------------|------------|
| ▪ Angoon | ▪ Hydaburg | ▪ Klawock | ▪ Sitka |
| ▪ Craig | ▪ Juneau | ▪ Klukwan | ▪ Skagway |
| ▪ Douglas | ▪ Kake | ▪ Pelican | ▪ Tenakee |
| ▪ Haines | ▪ Kasaan | ▪ Petersburg | ▪ Wrangell |
| ▪ Hoonah | ▪ Ketchikan | ▪ Saxman | ▪ Yakutat |

Eligibility Requirements

- Must be tribally enrolled or a descendant of a tribally enrolled applicant and child(ren) must be under the age of 13.
- Must be employed or in training more than 25 hours per week.
- Must be within 85% median income and reside in one of the communities served.

Funding Agency

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

Contact

Cultural Heritage & Education Division | Child Care Development
 PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7140 | Direct: 907.463.7140 | Fax: 1.907.885.0034

Email: DeptCC@tlingitandhaida.gov

Elderly Caregiver Support

Program Description

Elderly Caregiver Support increases access to support services for a family caregiver who provides care for a tribal Elder in our service area. The program provides information on available services, advocacy, assistance in completing applications and forms, and making referrals for a tribal Elder and family members who serve as caregivers for a tribal Elder/parent or relative who is seeking home care and senior services.

Caseworkers assist with application for financial, social and emotional support to caregivers and/or Elders. This may include:

- An annual Caregivers Workshop in Juneau; and
- Regular field trips to explore the community.

Elderly Caregiver Support also offers an Equipment Loan Closet for Elders needing adaptive equipment, such as a wheelchair, folding walker, rolling walker or a cane.

Communities Served

- Douglas
- Juneau

Eligibility Requirements

- Must be tribally enrolled or demonstrate proof of eligibility for tribal enrollment or provide a Certificate of Indian Blood (CIB) from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA).
- Must be age 60 or older.

Application Process

Self Referral

Funding Agency

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, Administration on Aging, Title VI

Contact

Family Services Division | Elderly Caregiver Support

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7172 | Direct: 907.463.7172 | Fax: 1.907.885.0032

Email: TFYSMail@tlingitandhaida.gov

Elderly Services

Program Description

Elderly Services promotes health and well-being for tribal Elders through health and social services. The program assists tribal Elders and family caregivers in accessing community services and resources. Program staff may also provide home visits to ensure an Elder is safe in their home, and make appropriate referrals to help an Elder maintain an independent lifestyle.

Elderly Services provides:

- Reports of harm to Adult Protective Services when there is an incident of Elder abuse, neglect or financial exploitation;
- Advocacy by making referrals to service providers, assisting in the completion of applications and forms for such things as heating assistance, public assistance, Medicaid, Medicare and Social Security; and
- Coordination of health education events, cultural and fun group activities, Elder & Youth engagement, and promotion of activities that address issues and concerns such as Elders' fall prevention, nutrition, and health related topics and issues.

Communities Served

- Douglas
- Juneau

Eligibility Requirements

- Must be tribally enrolled or demonstrate proof of eligibility for tribal enrollment or provide a Certificate of Indian Blood (CIB) from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA).
- Must be age 60 or older.

Funding Agency

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, Administration on Aging, Title VI

Contact

Family Services Division | Elderly Services

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7172 | Direct: 907.463.7172 | Fax: 1.907.885.0032

Email: TFYSMail@tlingitandhaida.gov

Employment Services for Reentry & Recovery

Program Description

The Work Experience Program offers paid, on-the-job training designed for eligible participants who are justice-involved or in the Reentry & Recovery Program. This initiative helps individuals build essential skills and gain practical experience through placements within our tribal departments and with external partners. With a focus on continuous support and open communication, the program empowers participants to overcome challenges and barriers, improve their job readiness, and establish a strong foundation for long-term economic stability and personal growth.

In addition to job training, we provide comprehensive support services to enhance participants' employability. These services include:

- Educational Support: Customized training to improve job skills and knowledge.
- Employment Services: Guidance with resume writing, cover letter development, job applications, online job searching, and interview techniques.
- Career Development: Career assessments and motivational training to help participants identify and pursue their career goals.

Upon completion of the program, participants will have a well-developed employment portfolio to showcase their skills and qualifications. Our goal is to equip participants with the tools and confidence they need to secure and maintain permanent, unsubsidized employment.

Communities Served

- Craig
- Hydaburg
- Klawock
- Saxman
- Haines
- Juneau
- Pelican
- Tenakee

Eligibility Requirement

- Be enrolled in a Federally recognized tribe, demonstrate proof of eligibility for tribal enrollment or provide a Certificate of Indian Blood (CIB) from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA).
- Must be 18 or older.
- Males 18–25 must provide proof of registration with the Selective Service.
- Must reside within service area (see Communities Served above).
- Require workforce services, are unemployed or underemployed, are economically disadvantaged, have skills deficiencies, or require training or retraining to secure unsubsidized employment.
- Must be work ready.
- Must be able to pass a drug screening.

Application Process

- Referral from the Reentry & Recovery program, or another Tlingit & Haida program.
- Self-referral (contact the Employment & Training Department).

Key Dates

Tribal Enrollment Committee meetings are held quarterly (four times per year). Please contact the Enrollment program for specific meeting dates.

Funding Agency

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)

U.S. Department of Law

Contact

Community Education & Cultural Heritage Division | Employment & Training

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7963 | Direct: 907.463.7963 | Fax: 1.907.885.0052

Email: WE@tlingitandhaida.gov

Enrollment

Program Description

The Enrollment program establishes eligibility and officially registers eligible individuals of Tlingit and/or Haida descent as tribal citizens. Tribal citizens are then issued an Enrollment Certification Letter and may apply for a tribal photo identification (ID) card which identifies their eligibility for programs such as Indian Health Services, Higher Education, Employment & Training, Johnson O'Malley (JOM), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Tribal Courts, and Tribal Family & Youth Services.

Enrollment also maintains official demographic information for our tribal citizens and provides enrollment verification when necessary.

Communities Served

Open to all communities.

Eligibility Requirement

Must provide legal documentation identifying you are of Tlingit and/or Haida descent.

Application Process

- Complete the Enrollment application and provide an original State certified birth certificate that lists the parent(s) on it (birth certificate will be returned via certified mail with return receipt).
- Further documentation may be required:
 - » If adopted, provide pre-adoptive birth certificate issued by the State or court decree listing biological Native parent, in addition to amended birth certificate.
 - » If unable to trace family, Affidavit of Personal Knowledge must be completed by two enrolled tribal citizens.

Key Dates

Tribal Enrollment Committee meetings are held quarterly (four times per year). Please contact the Enrollment program for specific meeting dates.

Funding Agency

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)

Contact

Program Compliance | Enrollment

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7146 | Direct: 907.463.7146 | Fax: 1.907.885.0052

Email: Enrollment@tlingitandhaida.gov

Evergreen Elders Workforce Development

Program Description

The Evergreen Elders Work Experience Program is a paid on-the-job training initiative administered by the Employment & Training Department. Designed for tribal citizens aged 55 and older, it assists eligible participants in reentering the workforce by offering comprehensive educational support and employment services to develop employable skills and enhance job opportunities. Through placements within our tribal departments or with external partners, the program assists participants in securing and maintaining permanent, unsubsidized employment. Upon completion of the program, each participant will receive an employment portfolio to support their job search efforts. Specific guidelines are in place to ensure that if a tribal citizen receives SSI benefits, the income from their job placement will not impact those benefits.

Communities Served

- Craig
- Hydaburg
- Klawock
- Saxman
- Haines
- Juneau
- Pelican
- Tenakee

Eligibility Requirements

- Be tribally enrolled with Tlingit & Haida.
- Be age 55 or older.
- Reside within the service area (see Communities Served above).
- Be work-ready.
- Be able to pass a background check.
- Be able to pass a drug screening.
- Require workforce services, are unemployed or underemployed, are economically disadvantaged, have skills deficiencies, or require training or retraining to secure unsubsidized employment.
- Priority is given to veterans and those with a family income of no more than 125% of the federal poverty level. Alaska Poverty Guidelines: <https://aspe.hhs.gov/topics/poverty-economic-mobility/poverty-guidelines>

Application Process

- Referral from another Tlingit & Haida program
- Self-referral: contact The Employment & Training Department.

Funding Agencies

- Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)
- U.S. Department of Labor

Contact

Community Education & Cultural Heritage Division | Employment & Training

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7136 | Local: 907.463.7136 | Fax: 1.888.965.9102

Email: WE@tlingitandhaida.gov

General Assistance

Program Description

General Assistance (GA) provides financial assistance to eligible Alaska Natives and American Indians for essential needs (food, clothing, shelter and utilities). GA payments are not intended to pay off bills, credit card debts, loans, etc. Payments are only to be used to pay verified/actual monthly expenses.

The goal of the GA program is to increase self-sufficiency. Each recipient must work with an assigned caseworker to develop and sign an Individual Self-Sufficiency Plan (ISP). The plan must outline the specific steps the individual will take to increase independence by meeting the goal of employment. The caseworker develops a case plan and focuses on assisting the client toward self-sufficiency.

Communities Served

- Angoon
- Craig
- Gustavus
- Haines
- Hydaburg
- Juneau
- Kasaan
- Klawock
- Pelican
- Saxman
- Tenakee
- Thorne Bay
- Wrangell

Eligibility Requirements

- Must be tribally enrolled or demonstrate proof of eligibility for tribal enrollment.
- Must reside in one of the Compact communities served.
- Must include all household members on application.
- Must demonstrate application for any other available resources such as TANF, E&T, SSI, ATAP and foster care support.
- Must not receive any comparable public assistance.
- Must be income eligible and provide necessary information for re-determination of eligibility on a monthly basis.
- Must complete and follow through with ISP.
- Must provide medical documentation regarding medical barrier for emergency assistance.
- Males 18–25 years of age must provide proof of registration with the Selective Service.

Funding Agency

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Contact

Family Services Division | General Assistance

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7332 | Local: 907.463.7332 | Fax: 1.877.333.3449

Email: GeneralAssistance@tlingitandhaida.gov

Job Placement & Training

Program Description

The Job Placement & Training program offers tuition assistance for vocational training certification programs and career support services to eligible individuals. It is designed for those pursuing career paths that lead to financial independence and self-sufficiency.

JPT is a 'one-time only' program with a maximum funding cap of \$20,000 per eligible participant toward approved training programs and resources. All funding provided through the Job Placement & Training Program is contingent upon meeting the eligibility criteria

Vocational training cannot exceed 24 months of full-time training hours, or 36 months for registered nursing programs. Students must seek additional financial assistance through their corporations, the job center, or state and federally funded programs. FAFSA applicants will need to provide their FAFSA funding amount received.

Communities Served

- Craig
- Haines
- Hydaburg
- Juneau
- Klawock
- Pelican
- Saxman
- Tenakee

Tribal citizens who reside in the following communities must apply for JPT funding through their local IRA office:

- Angoon
- Douglas
- Hoonah
- Kake
- Kasaan
- Ketchikan
- Klukwan
- Petersburg
- Sitka
- Skagway
- Wrangell
- Yakutat

Eligibility Requirements

- Must reside in one of the communities served (see above).
- Must be tribally enrolled or demonstrate proof of eligibility for tribal enrollment or provide a Certificate of Indian Blood (CIB) from the BIA.
- Must be 18 or older with a high school diploma or GED.
- Must be unemployed or under-employed and economically disadvantaged.
- Males 18–25 must provide proof of registration with the Selective Service.

Application Process

Tribal citizens interested in applying for vocational training certification tuition assistance through the JPT program must submit a fully completed application along with all the requested documents

To apply for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FASFA) or for additional information on FASFA, visit the Federal Student Aid website at <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>.

Funding Agency

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Contact

Community Education & Cultural Heritage Division | Employment & Training

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7929 | Local: 907.463.7929 | Fax: 1.888.965.9102

Email: JPT@tlingitandhaida.gov

Reentry & Recovery

Program Description

Reentry & Recovery provides sober and supportive environments for participants returning from incarceration and those who have completed residential treatment for substance misuse or are currently in recovery. The program offers culturally responsive and peer-supported programming, employment and training opportunities, and intensive case management to participants.

Reentry & Recovery works closely with tribal justice system partners to ensure cohesion in program development and restorative justice practices.

Reentry & Recovery operates several non-congregate shelters. The shelters provide temporary housing for individuals with private living spaces, rather than shared dormitory-style accommodations. This offers a higher level of privacy and security for program participants.

Reentry & Recovery Homes Currently Operating:

Allen Court for Men • Shaanáx̄ (Shaanáx̄ Tlein) Hit (maximum of 12 participants)

Alaway for Men • Eix̄'gul'héen Hit (maximum of 15 participants)

Haven House for Women • T'áa Shuyee Hit (maximum of 9 participants)

Community Served

Although the shelters are located in Juneau, the program serves tribal citizens and non-tribal citizens regardless of location. The shelters will only apply Native preference once full capacity has been reached.

Eligibility Requirements

Criteria required for acceptance may include:

- Must not have had any (at minimum) high or moderate infractions in the last six (6) months prior to acceptance.
- Complete all necessary paperwork or submit an application, Release of Information (ROI), and referral.
- Submit a valid Integrated Mental Health & Substance Use Assessment no more than one year old.
- Willing to engage in Behavioral Health services (addressing mental health and/or substance use disorders) that may include case management, peer support, individual and group therapy.

Funding Agencies

- Bureau of Justice Assistance
- Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)
- Department of Justice

Contact

Community & Behavioral Services Division | Reentry & Recovery

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7366 | Direct: 907.463.7366 | Fax: 1.907.891.7853

Email: Reentry&Recovery@tlingitandhaida.gov

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families

Program Description

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) provides financial assistance to families with dependent children while emphasizing work participation, education, family stability and responsibility.

TANF identifies and focuses on employment goals, economic and social obstacles, and the health, safety and well-being of children and families. Workforce development specialists monitor families as they move through their Tribal Service Plan toward their ultimate goal of self-sufficiency and independence from program services. Eligible families have a 60-month lifetime limit.

Communities Served

All Southeast Alaska communities with the exception of Metlakatla.

Eligibility Requirements

- Must provide proof at least one member of the household is enrolled in a federally recognized tribe.
- Must provide Social Security number, proof of residency, and proof of citizenship for all family members listed on the application.
- Must provide tribal child support absent parent form.
- Must demonstrate financial need (both income and resource limitations).
- Males 18–25 years of age must provide proof of registration with the Selective Service.

Funding Agencies

- State of Alaska, Department of Health & Social Services
- U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, Office of Family Assistance

Contact

Family Services Division | Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7158 | Direct: 907.463.7158 | Fax: 1.907.885.0038

Email: 477TANF@tlingitandhaida.gov

Ketchikan: 907.463.7975 | Fax: 1.888.808.7480

Sitka: 907.463.7905 | Fax: 1.888.420.4417

Training Services

Program Description

Training Services provides training opportunities to Alaska Natives and American Indians that will help them obtain self-sufficiency.

The program offers vocational training assistance to eligible applicants who lack specific training or certification to be considered for employment. Clients are provided assessments that pertain to their career path. Training Services also supports job placement and work activities (on-the-job training), including apprenticeship programs.

Communities Served

- Craig
- Klawock
- Saxman
- Juneau
- Pelican
- Tenakee

Eligibility Requirements

- Must be tribally enrolled or demonstrate proof of eligibility for tribal enrollment or provide a Certificate of Indian Blood (CIB) from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA).
- Must be 18 or older with a high school diploma or GED.
- Must provide proof of residency.
- Must demonstrate applying for other financial resources.
- Must be unemployed or underemployed and economically disadvantaged.
- Must provide approval of probation/parole officer if on probation.
- Must demonstrate employment upon completion of training or the ability to obtain employment based upon training request.
- Males 18-25 years of age must provide proof of registration with the Selective Service.
- Must provide completed Training Services Application.

Application Process

- Training Services Application received.
- Specialist reviews application for completeness and contacts applicant within five (5) business days regarding application status.
- If further documentation is needed, the application may be pended for 10 business days.
- If application is considered complete/eligible, Training case will be created.

Funding Agency

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Contact

Community Education & Cultural Heritage Division | Employment & Training

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7136 | Local: 907.463.7136 | Fax: 1.888.965.9102

Email: WE@tlingitandhaida.gov

Tribal Vocational Rehabilitation

Program Description

Tribal Vocational Rehabilitation (TVR) serves tribal citizens with disabilities in Southeast Alaska. Partnership with the State of Alaska, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (SOA/DVR) is an informed choice of tribal citizens if they choose to have a joint case.

TVR empowers eligible applicants with disabilities to become self-sufficient and independent. TVR counselors provide the following services:

- Guidance for clients needing help through the vocational rehabilitation process for training.
- Referrals to appropriate employment agencies to ensure they find the best job that suits their skills, abilities and strengths.
- Counseling when client needs moral support, or needs someone to talk to regarding basic needs, schooling or issues surrounding alcohol and drugs. TVR will provide referrals to professionals when necessary.
- Referral to Community & Behavioral Services for mental health services, including psychological assessments and counseling services.

Communities Served

All Southeast Alaska communities with the exception of Metlakatla.

Eligibility Requirements

- Must be enrolled in a federally recognized tribe.
- Must reside in Southeast Alaska.
- Must have a disability that interferes with their ability to do the work normally performed.
 - » A disability is any medical condition (physical or mental) that interferes with a person's everyday life, including employment.
- Must be able to work.

Application Process

Eligible applicants may apply for services by contacting the following offices:

Juneau

Community & Behavioral Services Division | Tribal Vocational Rehabilitation
PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7393 | Direct: 907.463.7393 | Fax: 1.877.560.3927

Email: TVR@tlingitandhaida.gov

State of Alaska/DVR | Juneau Branch Office
10002 Glacier Highway, Suite 305, Juneau, Alaska 99801
Toll Free: 1.800.478.2387 | V/TDD: 907.465.8943 | Fax: 1.907.465.6857

Please Note: Orientation is at 1:30 PM every Thursday afternoon at the DVR/Juneau Branch Office.

Ketchikan

Ketchikan Job Center DVR | Tongass Commercial Center
2030 Sea Level Drive, Suite 220-A
Ketchikan, Alaska 99901
Toll Free: 1.800.478.5387 | V/TDD: 907.228.3245 | Fax: 1.907.225.3364

Sitka

Sitka Branch Office
304 Lake Street, Room 101
Sitka, Alaska 99835
Toll Free: 1.800.478.2726 | V/TDD: 907.747.4788 | Fax: 1.907.747.6452

Funding Agency

U.S. Department of Education, Rehabilitation Services Administration

Contact

Community & Behavioral Services Division | Tribal Vocational Rehabilitation
PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802
Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7393 | Direct: 907.463.7393 | Fax: 1.877.560.3927
Email: TVR@tlingitandhaida.gov

Work Experience

Program Description

The Work Experience Program is a paid on-the-job training initiative administered by the Employment & Training Department. It assists eligible participants in developing essential work skills through placements within our tribal departments and external partners. The program also provides comprehensive educational support and employment services to enhance job skills and assist participants in securing and maintaining permanent, unsubsidized employment.

Through the program, eligible participants can access a wide range of resources, including career assessment testing, motivational training, and workshops. Our workshops cover critical topics such as résumé writing, cover letter development, job application completion, online job searching, and interview techniques. Upon completion, each participant will possess an employment portfolio to support their job search efforts.

Communities Served

- Craig
- Haines
- Hydaburg
- Juneau
- Klawock
- Pelican
- Saxman
- Tenakee

Eligibility Requirements

- Be enrolled in a Federally recognized tribe, demonstrate proof of eligibility for tribal enrollment or provide a Certificate of Indian Blood (CIB) from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA).
- Be age 18 or older.
- Males 18–25 must provide proof of registration with the Selective Service.
- Require workforce services, are unemployed or underemployed, are economically disadvantaged, have skills deficiencies, or require training or retraining to secure unsubsidized employment.
- Reside within the service area (see Communities Served above).
- Be able to pass a background check.
- Be able to pass a drug screening.
- Be work-ready.
- Priority is given to veterans and those with a family income of no more than 125% of the federal poverty level. Alaska Poverty Guidelines: <https://aspe.hhs.gov/topics/poverty-economic-mobility/poverty-guidelines>

Application Process

- Referral from another Tlingit & Haida program
- Self-referral: Contact the Employment & Training Department

Funding Agency

Bureau of Indian Affairs

U.S. Department of Labor

Contact

Cultural Heritage & Education | Work Experience

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7136 | Local: 907.463.7136 | Fax: 1.888.965.9102

Email: WE@tlingitandhaida.gov

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Addiction & Recovery Education

Program Description

The Addiction & Recovery Education Program is dedicated to the comprehensive development, implementation, and oversight of opioid overdose response initiatives. This program collaborates with the Tribe's Village Public Safety Officers (VPSOs) to administer approved medications and devices for the emergency treatment of known or suspected opioid overdoses.

Our program offers both in-person and virtual outreach and training resources on opioid exposure, overdose response, and recovery referrals. These resources are available to first responders and tribal citizens in Compact and VPSO communities throughout Southeast Alaska.

Additionally, the Addiction & Recovery team diligently tracks data and prepares reports to monitor trends in opioid addiction, response, and referrals within Southeast Alaska communities.

Communities Served

- Angoon
- Juneau
- Kasaan
- Saxman
- Hydaburg
- Kake
- Pelican
- Thorne Bay

Eligibility Requirements

Eligibility requirements may vary depending on community needs. Please contact the Addiction & Recovery Education program for specific requirements.

Funding Agency

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)

Contact

Public Safety Division | Addiction & Recovery Education

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7735 | Direct: 907.463.7735 | Fax: 1.888.520.6722

Email: PublicSafety@tlingitandhaida.gov

Certified Tribal Artist

Program Description

The Certified Tribal Artist program promotes Alaska Native-made arts and handicrafts through certifying tribally enrolled artists who reside in and outside of Alaska. Upon certification, eligible applicants will be issued a certificate, permit card, and 100 free gift tags, stickers, or combination thereof to market their artwork.

Communities Served

All communities (worldwide).

Eligibility Requirements

- Must be an enrolled tribal citizen of Tlingit & Haida.
- Must be age 18 or older.

Application Process

Applications will be reviewed within 30 days of receipt. Incomplete applications will not be accepted and all documents and fee payments will be returned to ineligible applicants. To apply, the following documents must be received:

- Completed application with Terms of Agreement.
- Copy of tribal enrollment card or photo identification.
- Processing fee payment (\$20). The processing fee payment covers cost for starter gift tags/stickers and postage.

Funding Agency

This program is funded through certification fees.

Contact

Small Business Resource Center | Certified Tribal Artist
PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7107 | Direct: 907.463.7107 | Fax: 1.888.322.6407

Email: SBRC@tlingitandhaida.gov

Community Advocacy

Program Description

The Community Advocacy program is designed to provide access to culturally responsive advocacy services for tribal citizens in Southeast Alaska. The program offers services, referrals, relocation during emergencies, community resource sharing and resources in support of tribal citizens affected by crime. Community Advocacy supports Tlingit & Haida's Tribal Court and partnering programs in addressing crimes such as assault, robbery, vandalism, crimes of intimidation and crimes against Elders.

The program also provides emergency intervention services, stabilization, legal advocacy, behavioral services, public information and follow-up assistance in accessing other services tribal citizens require to regain self-worth, self-esteem, and respect.

Referrals may come from the community, Tribal Court, Tribal Family & Youth Services (TFYS), Village Public Safety Officers (VPSOs), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), and other programs across the Tribe.

Communities Served

All Tlingit & Haida tribal citizens are eligible for Community Advocacy program services (some limitations may apply for access to specific resources depending on location of residency).

Eligibility Requirements

- To be eligible, participants must be a Tlingit & Haida tribal citizen and meet one of the following requirements:
 - » Identified individual victimized because of opioid or another drug-related crisis,
 - » Identified individual with an emergency requesting assistance to reassure personal safety and stability of the tribal citizen, or
 - » Identified individual experiencing incidence of crime, such as:
 - Child experiencing abandonment or abuse (e.g., physical, emotional, sexual),
 - Elder's experiences of abuse or financial exploitation and related scams,
 - Aggravated assault and/or battery,
 - Arson resulting in bodily injury,
 - Domestic violence (e.g., battery or assault of a household member),
 - History of residential boarding school abuse,
 - Violence from weapons including knives, firearms and blunt instruments,
 - Hate crimes,
 - Human trafficking,
 - Indecent exposure,
 - Stalking, or
 - Homicide.

Application Process

Application must be completed and emailed to community_advocacy@tlingitandhaida.gov for review and approval. Any department within Tlingit & Haida or external partner agency, or self-referral can be made. Upon approval, staff will schedule an appointment with participant and community advocate to coordinate referrals for services and resource allocation. Referrals can also be submitted through CBS Healing Center website at <https://cbs.ccthita-nsn.gov/reentry-recovery/>

Funding Agencies

- U.S. Department of Justice, Tribal Victim Services Set-Aside Program

Contact

Community & Behavioral Services Division | Community Advocacy
PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Physical Address: 400 Willoughby Avenue (3rd Floor) | Juneau AK

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7305 | Direct: 907.463.7305 | Fax: 1.907.891.7853

Email: Community_Advocacy@tlingitandhaida.gov

Community & Behavioral Services (CBS)

Program Description

The CBS Healing Center was developed in 2021 to offer behavioral services to tribal citizens and their families. The program is part of Tlingit & Haida's Community & Behavioral Services Division and offers outpatient assessments for Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders, culturally responsive individual therapy, family therapy, group therapy, and same day access when an individual is experiencing immediate need for help from compassionate and culturally responsive providers.

Communities Served

All Southeast Alaska communities and limited services to tribal citizens in Washington

Eligibility Requirements

- Must be enrolled or eligible for enrollment with Tlingit & Haida, a direct household family member of a tribal citizen, or an employee of Tlingit & Haida.

Application Process

Individuals may self-refer in one of three ways:

- Make an appointment by calling 907.463.7305,
- Visit the CBS Healing Center website at <https://cbs.ccthita-nsn.gov>, or
- Email Behavioral Services at HealingCenter@tlingitandhaida.gov.

Funding Agency

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)

Contact

Community & Behavioral Services Healing Center

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Physical Address: 400 Willoughby Ave. (3rd Floor) | Juneau AK

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7305 | Direct: 907.463.7305 | Fax: 1.907.891.7853

Email: HealingCenter@tlingitandhaida.gov

Co-Stewardship

Program Description

In September 2023, Tlingit & Haida signed a historic agreement with the United States Department of Agriculture for co-stewardship of the Mendenhall Glacier Recreation Area (MGRA). This agreement enabled Tlingit & Haida to engage in shared decision-making for a popular, outdoor recreation area in Lingít Aaní, empowering Tlingit & Haida as stewards of the land for time immemorial to share our own history and culture with visitors.

The goal of long-term Indigenous stewardship of the MGRA is to build an adaptive and effective framework that restores balance and enables Tlingit & Haida to execute ancestral stewardship responsibilities for the land, waters, and wildlife we have always related with.

The first program launched, as a result of our historic co-stewardship agreement, was the Cultural Ambassador program with 11 tribal citizens hired to engage in cultural interpretation at the MGRA. This program was an incredible success, and we look forward to expanding the program in years to come.

For more information regarding Tlingit & Haida's co-stewardship efforts, visit tlingitandhaida.gov.

Communities Served

- Juneau – Mendenhall Glacier Recreation Area (MGRA)

Eligibility Requirements

- N/A

Application Process

- Apply to be a Cultural Ambassador! Visit the careers page of the Tlingit & Haida website for more information.

Funding Agency

- United States Forest Service

Contact

Native Lands & Resources Division | Co-Stewardship

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7359 | Direct: 907.463.7359 | Fax: 1.907.885.0065

Email: NLR@tlingitandhaida.gov

Cultural Resources

Program Description

The Cultural Resources program repatriates objects of cultural patrimony, sacred objects, funerary objects, and human remains in accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) of 1990 and the National Museum of the American Indian Act (NMAIA) of 1989. These Acts allow federally recognized tribes to repatriate from museums and federal agencies.

The program has successfully repatriated over 145 objects under NAGPRA and over 40 objects under NMAIA.

Communities Served

- Tlingit Country (<https://sfthcc.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/TlingitMap.jpg>)
- Haida Country when contacted by their IRA's.

Eligibility Requirement

Must be an enrolled tribal citizen of Tlingit & Haida.

Application Process

History of the objects are helpful, including but not limited to: clan, house, lineage, song, and past caretaker(s). These claims follow matrilineal descent and cannot be inherited under Tlingit law by the children of the clan owning the objects (i.e. the opposites), and that rule is adhered to.

Funding Agencies

- U.S. National Park Service
- Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)

Contact

Native Lands & Resources Division | Cultural Resources

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7186 | Direct: 907.463.7186 | Fax: 1.907.885.0065

Email: NLR@tlingitandhaida.gov

Economic Development

Program Description

The Economic Development program partners internally with departments and programs and externally through strong, equitable government-to-government relationships with local, state and federal agencies to promote economic development projects and create jobs in Southeast Alaska. It's through these partnerships that we uphold our mantra of *healthy tribes create healthy communities*.

At the heart of the Business & Economic Development (BED) Department is the fundamental understanding that economic development brings economic sovereignty, which from a tribal perspective, is true sovereignty.

With a mission and vision to develop and promote sustainable business and economic opportunities for the Tribe, tribal business enterprises, tribal citizens and Southeast Alaska communities, the BED Department is dedicated to creating tribal enterprises that not only have a financial bottom line, but a social, cultural bottom line that reflects who we are as Native peoples.

Examples of Tlingit & Haida's tribal enterprises include: Sacred Grounds Café, Sacred Shine Auto Detailing, Smokehouse Catering, Smoke Signals and Southeast General Contractors.

Communities Served

All Southeast Alaska communities.

Eligibility Requirements

- Must be an enrolled tribal citizen of Tlingit & Haida.
- Must reside in Southeast Alaska.

Funding Agencies

- U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA)
- Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)

Contact

Business & Economic Development | Economic Development
PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7190 | Direct: 907.463.7190 | Fax: 1.888.322.6407

Email: DeptBED@tlingitandhaida.gov

Emergency Management

Program Description

The Office of Emergency Management (OEM) - Tribal Emergency Operations Center (TEOC) was created to enable Tlingit & Haida to provide timely, integrated, and coordinated response to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, and to address the four phases of emergency management:

- Mitigation
- Preparedness
- Response
- Recovery

These actions are aimed at protecting the safety and well-being of Tlingit & Haida tribal citizens, clients, employees and communities served.

Communities Served

- Anchorage
- Angoon
- Craig
- Douglas
- Haines
- Hoonah
- Hydaburg
- Juneau
- Kake
- Kasaan
- Ketchikan
- Klawock
- Klukwan
- Metlakatla
- Pelican
- Petersburg
- San Francisco
- Saxman
- Seattle
- Sitka
- Wrangell
- Yakutat

Eligibility Requirements

Eligibility requirements may vary depending on community needs. Please contact the Office of Emergency Management for specific requirements.

Funding Agency

The OEM-TEOC was initially funded through the CARES Act and will continue to be funded beyond the COVID-19 pandemic through the Compact and other grants.

Contact

Public Safety Division | Office of Emergency Management
PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7730 | Direct: 907.463.7730 | Fax: 1.888.520.6722

Email: PublicSafety@tlingitandhaida.gov

Environmental

Program Description

The Environmental program provides support to Southeast Alaska tribes and communities in developing environmental awareness and building capacity for addressing local and regional environmental issues.

The program provides training activities, educational assistance and coordination of statewide projects. Projects include climate change, transboundary river sampling and subsistence activities.

Communities Served

All Southeast Alaska communities.

Eligibility Requirements

There are no eligibility requirements.

Funding Agencies

- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
- Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)

Contact

Environmental Division

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7183 | Direct: 907.463.7183 | Fax: 1.907.885.0065

Email: Environmental@tlingitandhaida.gov

Forestry

Program Description

The Forestry program provides professional forest resource management services to Native allotment owners in Southeast Alaska. These services include:

- Timber Sales
- Reforestation of Previously Harvested Allotments
- Timber Trespass Investigations
- Tree Thinning
- Fire Preparedness

Communities Served

- Craig
- Haines
- Hydaburg
- Juneau
- Kasaan
- Ketchikan
- Klawock
- Saxman
- Skagway
- Tenakee
- Wrangell

Eligibility Requirements

- Must be tribally enrolled or demonstrate proof of eligibility for tribal enrollment or provide a Certificate of Indian Blood (CIB) from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA).
- Must own an interest in a Native allotment or townsite in one of the communities served.

Funding Agency

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Contact

Native Lands & Resources Division | Forestry

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7186 | Direct: 907.463.7186 | Fax: 1.907.885.0065

Email: NLR@tlingitandhaida.gov

Language & Arts

Program Description

The Language & Arts program promotes language revitalization and traditional arts to ensure the existence and perpetuation of our languages and unique cultural practices. The program collaborates with Elders, language scholars and educators, culture-bearers, artists, universities, and community partners to maximize resources.

The program offers virtual and in-person workshops by master artists and cultural practitioners in a variety of artistic practices. The program's goal is to provide opportunities to all tribal citizens to ensure the language and ways of life of our grandparents continues.

Communities Served

All communities.

Eligibility Requirements

Tribal citizens and descendants are given priority to participate in opportunities.

Application Process

Must complete and submit a registration form for each workshop or course.

Funding Agencies

- Institute of Museum & Library Services
- Sealaska Corporation

Contact

Cultural Heritage & Education Division | Language & Arts

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7771 | Direct: 907.463.7771 | Fax: 1.888.335.8991

Email: CulturalHeritageandEducation@tlingitandhaida.gov

Realty

Program Description

The Realty program provides professional land management services and allotment certification to Native landowners of trust or restricted properties in Southeast Alaska. These services include:

- Allotment Adjudication
- Rights Protection
- Land Conveyance Processing
- Land Management Counseling
- Probate of Estates

Communities Served

- Craig
- Haines
- Hydaburg
- Juneau
- Kasaan
- Ketchikan
- Klawock
- Saxman
- Skagway
- Tenakee
- Wrangell

Eligibility Requirements

- Must be tribally enrolled or demonstrate proof of eligibility for tribal enrollment or provide a Certificate of Indian Blood (CIB) from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA).
- Must own or have a potential interest in a trust or restricted townsite or Native allotment in one of the communities served.
- Ownership must be acquired in accordance with the 1906 Native Allotment Act or 1926 Native Townsite Act. Realty services are provided free of charge to eligible Native landowners.

Funding Agency

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Contact

Native Lands & Resources Division | Realty

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7186 | Direct: 907.463.7186 | Fax: 1.907.885.0065

Email: NLR@tlingitandhaida.gov

Seacoast Indigenous Guardians Network

Program Description

Information coming soon...

Communities Served

Eligibility Requirements

Funding Agency

Contact

Native Lands & Resources Division | Seacoast Indigenous Guardians Network
PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802
Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7183 | Local: 907.463.7183 | Fax: 1.907.885.0065
Email: SeacoastIGN@tingitandhaida.gov | Website: seacoastign.org

Self Governance

Program Description

Self Governance administers the Compact which enables participating tribes to redesign programs, activities, functions and services of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA); to reallocate funds according to tribal priorities; and to enhance the effectiveness and long-term financial stability of their tribal governments.

Through a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), Southeast Alaska tribes can authorize Tlingit & Haida to enter into a Self Governance Compact and Annual Funding Agreement (AFA) with the federal government to administer programs and services. Allocation of funding is based on the Intertribal Distribution Worksheet which distributes tribal shares based on population for most programs and services with the exception of the Realty program which allocates funding based on the number of Native allotments in each Compact community.

Self Governance also provides technical assistance and training opportunities to help tribal governments and programs find resources to increase their administrative capability, conduct elections and successfully perform their respective duties.

Communities Served

- Angoon
- Juneau
- Klawock
- Tenakee
- Craig
- Kasaan
- Pelican
- Wrangell
- Haines
- Ketchikan
- Saxman
- Hydaburg
- (Realty & Forestry)
- Skagway (Realty)

Eligibility Requirement

Must be a Compact tribe listed in Tlingit & Haida's AFA.

Funding Agency

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)

Contact

Tribal Operations | Self Governance
 PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802
 Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7728 | Direct: 907.463.7728
 Email: SelfGovernance@tlingitandhaida.gov

Small Business Resource Center

Program Description

The Tlingit & Haida Small Business Resource Center (SBRC) was created to provide an online network of valuable business resources to Tlingit and Haida tribal citizens, other Native American-owned businesses, and other federally recognized minority-owned businesses. The SBRC has six main areas of interest for future and existing business owners:

- Business Directory
- Rescue Relief Programs
- Certified Tribal Artist Program
- Business Development
- Events
- Bid Board

Communities Served

- All communities.

Eligibility Requirements

- The Tlingit & Haida Business Directory identifies existing businesses at least 50 percent owned, controlled, and operated by registered Tlingit & Haida citizens.
- Must be an enrolled Tlingit & Haida tribal citizen to apply for Rescue Relief and Certified Tribal Artist program.
- There are no eligibility requirements for workshops and classes. However, tribal citizens and descendants are given priority to participate in opportunities.

Application Process

- Must complete and submit a registration form for each workshop, course, event, etc.

Funding Agencies

- U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA)
- U.S. Department of Treasury, American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

Contact

Tribal Development | Small Business Resource Center

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7190 | Direct: 907.463.7190 | Fax: 1.888.322.6407

Email: SBRC@tlingitandhaida.gov

Website: <https://thbusinessresourcecenter.com>

Traditional Food Security

Program Description

The Traditional Foods Security program supports initiatives to reduce the reliance on the food systems of the continental United States through the promotion of Indigenous food sovereignty. The program encourages self-sufficiency by removing barriers between traditional foods and tribal citizens and reviving the skills that supported communities since time immemorial. Efforts include the collection of traditional knowledge, hosting hands-on demonstrations, supporting youth with holistic harvesting practices, educating tribal citizens on how traditional foods impact our culture, providing crucial safety training in rural communities, and managing a Tribe-wide food distribution program.

Communities Served

- All 21 recognized Tlingit & Haida communities

Eligibility Requirements

- Must provide proof of tribal citizenship to receive traditional foods during community distributions.

Application Process

- Registration for food distributions is coordinated in partnership with local Tlingit & Haida Community Councils.

Funding Agencies

- American Rescue Plan Act
- U.S. Department of Agriculture
- National Oceanic & Atmospheric Association

Contact

Indigenous Stewardship Programs | Traditional Food Security
PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 1.800.344.1432 ext. 7951 | Direct: 907.463.7951 | Fax: 907.463.8767

Email: tfsprogram@tlingitandhaida.gov

Tribal Transportation

Program Description

The Tribal Transportation Department contracts directly with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to implement the Tribal Transportation Program (TTP). TTP is available specifically for tribal governments to build or implement eligible transportation projects. The program addresses the transportation needs of over 560 Indian tribes and Alaska Native villages by providing funds for planning, designing, construction and maintenance activities.

TTP is jointly administered by the FHWA Office of Federal Lands Highway and the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) in accordance with a memorandum of understanding.

The department offers technical assistance and training, as well as full project implementation and compliance, such as:

- Program administration,
- Transportation planning,
- Transportation project design,
- Construction and construction management,
- Agreement development and negotiation, and
- Maintain and/or operate project implementation.

Communities Served

The Tribal Transportation Department serves its members, affiliate member tribal governments and private partnerships. Members as of November 2012:

- Tlingit & Haida – Juneau Service Area
- Organized Village of Saxman

Eligibility Requirement

Must be a federally recognized tribe and authorize Tlingit & Haida to compact with the FHWA on their behalf to administer the tribe's TTP funding.

Funding Agency

U.S. Federal Highway Administration

Contact

Tribal Development | Tribal Transportation

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7371 | Direct: 907.463.7371 | Fax: 1.888.224.5340

Email: TransportationDG@tlingitandhaida.gov

Veterans Benefits

Program Description

The Alaska Native Veterans Benefits program provides assistance to Alaska Native Vietnam-Era Veterans in the Native allotment application process and all other benefits available such as the Veterans Home Loan program, health care, and educational benefits.

If you are an Alaska Native Vietnam-Era Veteran who served between August 5, 1964 and December 31, 1971, or are a descendant, you may be entitled to apply for a Native allotment of up to 160 acres. Eligible Veterans may visit the U.S. Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management website (<https://on.doi.gov/3hvUaCn>) for current information.

Communities Served

All Southeast Alaska communities.

Eligibility Requirement

Must be an Alaska Native Veteran.

Funding Agency

Tlingit & Haida

Contact

Native Lands & Resources Division | Alaska Native Veterans Benefits

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7183 | Direct: 907.463.7183 | Fax: 1.907.885.0065

Email: NLR@tlingitandhaida.gov

Village Public Safety Officer

Program Description

The Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO) program provides rural Alaskan communities with needed public safety services at the local level. The VPSO program was created to reduce the loss of life due to fires, drowning, lost person(s), and the lack of immediate emergency medical assistance in rural communities.

Communities Served

- Angoon
- Kake
- Pelican
- Thorne Bay
- Hydaburg
- Kasaan
- Saxman

Eligibility Requirements

Depending on funding, a Southeast community can request a VPSO if their local city council can provide:

- Safe, sanitary, and secure office space, equipment, and supplies suitable and necessary to enable the VPSO to perform his or her duties;
- Safe, sanitary and secure residential living quarters suitable and necessary for the VPSO and his or her family. The city and VPSO shall negotiate any subsidy on rent and the city further agrees to provide necessary utility services for the residential living quarters; and
- A suitable VPSO public safety vehicle at the city's expense.

Funding Agency

State of Alaska, Department of Public Safety, Division of Alaska State Troopers

Contact

Public Safety Division | Village Public Safety Officer

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7730 | Direct: 907.463.7730 | Fax: 1.888.520.6722

Email: PublicSafety@tlingitandhaida.gov

Wildland Fire

Program Description

The Wildland Fire program was developed in October 2022 through a grant from the U.S. Forest Service to be the first Native Wildland Fire program in Southeast Alaska. The program will employ a Type 2 Initial Attack Fire Crew of 18-20 members once fully operational. The Fire Crew will be deployed to fire details throughout the State and Nationally.

The Wildland Fire program brings additional opportunities and benefits for our tribal citizens including lifelong friendships, leadership skills, positive physical fitness, and conditioning. More importantly, the program promotes Our Way of Life and Southeast Traditional Tribal Values, especially encouraging future crew members to Hold Each Other Up; We are Stewards of the Air, Land and Sea; and to Be Strong in Mind, Body, and Spirit.

Communities Served

Statewide and National wildland fire suppression resource.

Eligibility Requirements

- Must be a U.S. Citizen
- Meet Incident Command System (ICS) minimum red card qualifications of FFT 3.
- Certification of ICS-100 Introduction to ICS, IS-700, NIMS an Introduction (National Incident Management System), L-180 Human Factors in the Wildland Fire Service, S-130 Firefighter Training, S-190 Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior.
- Must undergo a character investigation, including criminal and civil background information and reference checks.
- Must pass the arduous duty work capacity test ("Pack Test") which consists of carrying a 45-pound pack for 3 miles in 45minutes.
- Must pass a Physical Training Test (PT Test) which consists of 1.5 mile run in 11:40 or better.
- 40 Sit ups in 60 seconds.
- 25 push-ups in 60 seconds.
- Pull/Chin ups based on body weight:
 - » 170lbs or more = 4
 - » 135lbs – 170lbs = 5
 - » 110lbs – 135lbs = 6
 - » 110lbs or less = 7

Application Process

Contact the Wildland Fire program for their current application process.

Funding Agencies

- United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)
- United States Forest Service

Contact

Public Safety Division | Wildland Fire

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7757 | Direct: 907.463.7757 | Fax: 1.888.520.6722

Email: DWoods@tlingitandhaida.gov

COURT SERVICES

Family Court Services

Program Description

Family Court Services provides services to court-involved tribal citizens and their families. The types of services provided include:

- Court ordered investigations for guardianship, adoption, and child custody
- Court advocacy for tribal citizens, and
- Other child welfare related placements.

Communities Served

All communities where tribal citizens reside

Eligibility Requirement

The Tribal Court shares concurrent jurisdiction with the State of Alaska over a wide range of legal issues. Generally the Court has jurisdiction in a case where one or more parties are tribal citizens or eligible for enrollment with the Tribe. In addition, even in cases wholly involving non-members, jurisdiction to handle the matter can come through either expressed or implied consent.

Application Process

Court cases are assigned by the Tribal Court Magistrate to Family Court Services.

Funding Agency

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)

Contact

Community & Behavioral Services Division | Family Court Services

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7362 | Direct: 907.463.7362 | Fax: 1.907.802.6142

Email: FamilyCourtServices@tlingitandhaida.gov

Tribal Court

Program Description

The Tribal Court exercises the Tribe's inherent sovereignty and provides a user-friendly, culturally-appropriate forum for tribal citizens to address their justice needs. These judicial services are guided by the traditional values of respect, patience and the essential responsibility to safeguard the future of the Tribe by promoting healthy tribal families.

The Tribal Court is established by Articles VII, XI of the Tribe's Constitution as a separate branch of government. The Tribal Court resolves matters by taking evidence and rendering both written and oral decisions. Each final decision of the trial courts comes with the right of appeal to the Supreme Court.

Beyond dispute resolution and adjudication, the Tribal Court provides outreach regarding tribal justice issues to the Alaska Tribal Judges Association, other individual tribes seeking assistance in building their tribal courts, as well as the United States of America and State of Alaska on a government-to-government basis.

The Tribal Court has subject matter jurisdiction over a large range of civil and criminal issues, including:

- Adoptions
- Child Custody
- Child Support
- Divorce
- Domestic Violence
- Guardianships
- Marriage
- Paternity

Communities Served

All Southeast Alaska communities with the exception of Metlakatla.

Application Process

Services are initiated by filing a petition with the Tribal Court.

Eligibility Requirements

The Tribal Court shares concurrent jurisdiction with the State of Alaska over a wide range of legal issues. Generally the Court has jurisdiction in a case where one or more parties are tribal citizens or eligible for enrollment with the Tribe. In addition, even in cases wholly involving non-members, jurisdiction to handle the matter can come through either expressed or implied consent.

Funding Agencies

- U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs
- U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
- Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)

Contact

Tribal Court

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7165 | Direct: 907.463.7165 | Fax: 1.866.532.3558

Email: CClerk@tlingitandhaida.gov

Youth Healing to Wellness Court

Program Description

The Youth Healing to Wellness Court is an alternative to the traditional State of Alaska criminal justice system. It is a voluntary, four-phased program that provides restorative justice to tribal citizens and their families. The program's focus is to address substance misuse, reduce recidivism among Alaska Native youth and bring holistic healing to families through community engagement, collaborative intervention, and cultural/traditional practices.

The Wellness Court is devoted to supporting participants by providing support and guidance with a focus on youth strengths, while teaching our way of life through traditional tribal values. Each participant will be assigned a Wellness Team to provide clinical services, intensive case management and judicial oversight.

Communities Served

All Southeast Alaska communities.

Eligibility Requirements

Wellness Court serves youth who are experiencing substance or alcohol misuse. We may serve up to fifteen (15) youth at any given time.

The Wellness Court participant must be:

- Willing to explore ways to improve their wellbeing,
- Enrolled or eligible for enrollment with Tlingit & Haida, or a member of a tribal citizen's family,
- At least 14-21 years of age,
- Involved with alcohol or substance misuse, and
- Willing to follow program rules and requirements.

Application Process

Service providers can refer participants and individuals may also self-refer or refer their children/family members. The Wellness Court referral form may be accessed from Tlingit & Haida's website (www.tlingitandhaida.gov). Once a completed referral form is received, the Wellness Court team will review eligibility and make a determination for acceptance into the program.

Funding Agency:

United States Department of Justice:

- Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention
- Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Program (COSSAP)

Contact

Tribal Court | Wellness Court

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7745 | Direct: 907.463.7745 | Fax: 1.907.802.6142

Email: WellnessCourt@tlingitandhaida.gov

EDUCATION & YOUTH SERVICES

Alaska Youth Stewards

Program Description

Tlingit & Haida's Alaska Youth Stewards program provides job experience in fisheries, forestry, engineering, recreation, community service, and cultural stewardship to youth ages 14-18.

Communities Served

- Angoon
- Hoonah
- Kake
- Prince of Wales Island

Eligibility Requirements

- Must be 14-18 years of age.
- Must complete and submit an application each field season.

Funding Agency

- United States Forest Service
- National Forest Foundation
- Spruce Root

Contact

Native Lands & Resources Division | Alaskan Youth Stewards

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7183 | Local: 907.463.7183 | Fax: 1.907.885.0065

Email: NLR@tlingitandhaida.gov | Website: seacoastign.org

Alumni Scholarship Assistance

Program Description

The Alumni Scholarship Assistance Program (ASAP) provides annual scholarship awards (one per academic year) to tribal citizens residing in the United States regardless of community affiliation. Award amounts are based on annual fundraising activities such as memorial donations, private donations, vendor/associate solicitations, and fundraisers.

The ASAP application period runs from July 1 to September 15. Applications received after September 15 will not be considered.

Communities Served

All communities.

Eligibility Requirements

- Must be enrolled with Tlingit & Haida.
- Must be a full-time student seeking an associate degree or higher.
- Must have a cumulative 3.0 grade point average (GPA).
- Must reside in the United States.

Required Documentation

Students will be required to provide:

- Their Tlingit & Haida tribal enrollment number.
- Current class schedule.
- Unofficial copy of transcripts.

All supporting documents must have the name of the school and student. School ID numbers are not accepted. Applications are processed in the order they are received.

Application Process

Apply online at: <http://tinyurl.com/THHiEdScholarships>

Funding Source

Fundraising activities and donations.

Contact

Cultural Heritage & Education Division | Higher Education
PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7333 | Direct: 907.463.7333 | Fax: 1.888.762.5592

Email: HigherED@tlingitandhaida.gov

College Student Assistance

Program Description

The College Student Assistance (CSA) program is a year-round scholarship program that serves tribal citizens residing within the United States. Funding for CSA scholarships is based on a Compact agreement between Tlingit & Haida and Southeast Alaska IRA tribes.

CSA eligibility is based on the Compact status of the student's community of origin.

Communities Served

- Haines
- Juneau
- Pelican
- Tenakee
- Hydaburg
- Kasaan
- Saxman

Students whose families originate from communities outside of our Compact area (see below) **MUST** apply for CSA funding through their local IRA tribe first. Applications from those who originate from these communities will be denied unless a denial letter for CSA funding is received with their application.

- Angoon
- Kake
- Metlakatla
- Wrangell
- Craig
- Ketchikan
- Petersburg
- Yakutat
- Douglas
- Klawock
- Sitka
- Hoonah
- Klukwan
- Skagway

Eligibility Requirements

- Must be enrolled with Tlingit & Haida and originate from a Southeast Alaska community.
- Must be enrolled in and attending an accredited college or university.
- Must be seeking an associate degree or higher.
- Must have a cumulative 2.0 grade point average (GPA).
- Must reside in the United States.

Required Documentation

Students will be required to provide:

- Their Tlingit & Haida tribal enrollment number.
- Current class schedule.
- Unofficial copy of transcripts.
- A student account summary from the student portal's 'Student Financial Aid' information section.

All supporting documents must have the name of the school and student. School ID numbers are not accepted. Applications are processed in the order they are received.

Application Deadlines

Semester Terms: Fall (8/1-12/15) • Spring (12/16-5/31)

Quarterly Term: Fall (8/1-12/15) • Winter (12/15-3/31) • Spring (4/1-5/31)

Application Process

Apply online at: <http://tinyurl.com/THHiEdScholarships>

Funding Agency

Fundraising Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)

Contact

Cultural Heritage & Education Division | Higher Education

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7333 | Direct: 907.463.7333 | Fax: 1.888.762.5592

Email: HigherED@tlingitandhaida.gov

Generations Southeast Community Learning Center

Program Description

Generations Southeast Community Learning Center (Generations Southeast), formerly known as the Vocational Training & Resource Center, is a comprehensive learning center for all people that is rooted in our traditional tribal values.

Generations Southeast offers a variety of career and technical training courses such as Commercial Driver's License, First Aid/CPR/AED, business basics, and financial skills, as well as Administrative Assistant and Child Development Associate certification. New cultural and distance learning courses are being added in the areas of language, arts, health services, education, business and technology.

In addition to providing career advancement opportunities, the center offers room rental space for workshops, conferences, seminars, meetings and events.

Generations Southeast has been reauthorized by the Alaska Commission on Post-Secondary Education to operate as a Career & Technical Education post-secondary institution. Current course offerings and room rental information is available online at www.generationsssoutheast.org.

Communities Served

All communities.

Eligibility Requirements

There are no eligibility requirements.

Application Process

The application process varies for cultural classes, distance delivery courses, career and technical training courses, and computer classes. Contact Generations Southeast for more information.

Funding Agency

Funding is derived solely from revenues generated from tuitions and rental income.

Contact

Cultural Heritage & Education Division | Generations Southeast

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7375 | Direct: 907.463.7375 | Fax: 1.888.762.5592

Email: GenerationsSoutheast@tlingitandhaida.gov | Website: www.generationsssoutheast.org

Haa Yoo X'atangi Kúdi

Program Description

Haa Yoo X'atangi Kúdi is a pre-kindergarten Lingít language immersion nest program that serves children ages three to five. It is a State of Alaska licensed child care program that runs from late August through May, 3 days a week. The focus of this program is to teach cultural, social and academic content only using the Lingít language as the medium for instruction.

Community Served

- Juneau

Eligibility Requirements

- Child must be three to five (3–5) years of age.

Application Process

- Application period opens late May or early June of each year.
- Application is available at www.tlingitandhaida.gov.
- Priority is given to children who are enrolled citizens of Tlingit & Haida or descendants of enrolled citizens, and children with a background in the Lingít language.

Funding Agencies

- Administration for Native Americans, Esther Martinez
- Tlingit & Haida Child Care Development
- Tlingit & Haida Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
- U.S. Department of Education, Alaska Native Education Program (ANEP)

Contact

Cultural Heritage & Education Division | Haa Yoo X'atangi Kúdi

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7771 | Direct: 907.463.7771

Email: HaaKudi@tlingitandhaida.gov

Head Start

Program Description

Tlingit & Haida Head Start promotes school readiness of children ages three to five from low-income families by enhancing their cognitive, social and emotional development. The program provides a learning environment that supports children's growth in:

- Language and literacy,
- Cognition and general knowledge,
- Physical development and health,
- Social and emotional development, and
- Approaches to learning.

Head Start builds relationships with families that support:

- Family well-being and positive parent-child relationships,
- Families and learners and lifelong educators,
- Family engagement in transitions,
- Family connections to peers and community, and
- Families as advocates and leaders.

Head Start offers center-based preschool education where staff respectfully nurture families and their children to grow, participate in life with confidence and awareness, and use their strengths to reach their full potential.

Communities Served

- Angoon
- Juneau
- Saxman
- Yakutat
- Craig
- Klawock
- Sitka
- Hoonah
- Petersburg
- Wrangell

If you reside in a community outside of Tlingit & Haida Head Start's service area, Rural Alaska Community Action Program, Inc. (RurAL CAP) provides center-based options in other Southeast communities. Use the online Head Start locator to find a center in your area: eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/hslc.

Eligibility Requirements

- Child must turn three (3) on or before September 1st.
- Must submit a completed application with additional documentation:
 - » Child's current immunization record and tuberculosis test results.
 - » Child's physical exam or date scheduled.
 - » Child's dental exam or date scheduled.
 - » Income verification.

Application Process

We accept applications year round. However, it is our goal to be fully enrolled by the first day of school in the communities we serve.

Benefits of Head Start

- No Cost
- Parents volunteer in programs—become a part of the educational experience for your child
- Nutritious meals
- Developmentally appropriate activities
- Social skills and imaginative play
- Individualized curriculum and attention
- Learn healthy habits
- Low child to staff ratio
- Learn about Native culture
- Parent education opportunities

Funding Agencies

- U.S. Department of Health and Social Services, Office of Head Start
- State of Alaska, Department of Education and Early Development

Contacts

Head Start (Central Office)

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 1.800.344.1432 ext. 7127 | Direct: 907.463.7127 | Fax: 1.877.389.7796

Email: HeadStartEnrollment@tlingitandhaida.gov

Head Start Classrooms

Angoon: 907.788.3109

Craig: 907.826.3775

Hoonah: 907.945.3255

Juneau - Gastineau: 907.796.5025

Juneau - Mendenhall River: 907.796.5667

Juneau - Taashuka: 907.463.7152

Klawock: 907.755.2903

Petersburg: 907.772.4751

Saxman: 907.225.8728

Sitka: 907.747.8356

Wrangell: 907.874.2455

Yakutat: 907.784.3993

Johnson O'Malley

Program Description

The Johnson O'Malley (JOM) program provides supplemental educational support to Alaska Native and American Indian students in local public schools, focusing on academic assistance, tutoring, and cultural enrichment activities.

The program includes:

- In-Class and 1:1 Academic Support
- After-School Homework club and Native Youth Council
- Student Advocacy
- Post-Secondary Planning

Communities Served

- Juneau
- Wrangell

Some communities operate their own JOM program. Tribal citizens residing in these communities, including the communities listed below, must contact their local Indian Reorganization Act (IRA) office:

- Douglas: 907.364.2916
- Haines: 907.766.2644
- Klawock: 907.755.2265

Eligibility Requirements

- Must be between the age of three to grade 12.
- Must be enrolled in a public school within the communities served.
- Must be Alaska Native or American Indian.

Funding Agency

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Contact

Youth Engagement Division | Johnson O'Malley

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 1.800.344.1432 ext. 7363 | Juneau: 907.463.7363

Email: JohnsonOMalley@tlingitandhaida.gov

Wrangell JOM: 907.874.2909

Little Eagles and Ravens Nest

Program Description

The Little Eagles and Ravens Nest (LEARN) is a licensed child care center that provides year-round, full day child care and early learning for children from birth through six years. LEARN's mission is to offer high quality early education to children in a welcoming, creative and culturally-reflective environment.

LEARN fosters imagination in its students, cultivates critical thinking skills and helps its children develop healthy social and emotional maturity. LEARN is committed to nurturing its employees to become life-long learners and high-quality early educators. The center's curriculum is child centered, place-based, rich in movement and culturally responsive. While the curriculum is flexible and fluid to accommodate each child, it simultaneously aligns to the State of Alaska's Early Learning Guidelines and demonstrates developmentally appropriate practices. LEARN understands the utmost importance of meaningful relationships and stimulating environments during the first years of life.

LEARN is open 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and closed most federal and state holidays. The center offers five classrooms:

- Gumboots and Sea Stars care for infants,
- Porpoises care for toddlers, and
- Orcas care for preschool.

LEARN provides nutritious breakfasts, lunches, and snacks through Smokehouse Catering.

Community Served

Juneau

Eligibility Requirements

- Enrollment is open to all citizens of the Juneau community.
- Children ages birth to six years are eligible to apply.

Application Process

To be added to the waitlist, please submit an application. Applications are accepted year-round. If an opening is available, LEARN will schedule a two-way interview, play observation and tour of the center. Children must be up to date on all immunizations.

Priority enrollment is offered for Tlingit & Haida employees. A limited number of designated priority spots are reserved for foster families and for families experiencing homelessness or receiving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) support.

Funding Agency

LEARN is a tribal enterprise that utilizes tuition revenue and tribal, federal, state, and local grants for operation.

Contact

Cultural Heritage & Education Division | LEARN Child Care

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7776 | Direct: 907.463.7776 | Fax: 1.888.654.3636

Email: LEARNJuneau@tlingitandhaida.gov

Wayfinders

Program Description

The Wayfinders program supports Native youth ages 13–24 as they navigate the transition from adolescence to adulthood. This relationship-based prevention and early intervention program uses a holistic, trauma-informed approach to foster cultural connectedness, teach critical life skills, and provide academic support and leadership opportunities in a safe and engaging environment.

Staff work closely with schools and partner agencies to connect students and their families with resources. Youth enrolled in the program participate in both group and individual activities that help them grow and thrive during this crucial life stage.

Community Served

The program primarily serves youth in Juneau, but virtual events are available to all Tlingit & Haida youth ages 14–24, regardless of location.

Eligibility Requirements

- Must be Alaska Native, American Indian, or Polynesian Islander,
- Must be 13–24 years of age,
- Must show interest in joining the group, and
- Must display need (at risk, interest in increased cultural connectedness, interest in learning life skills, need assistance transitioning into adulthood).

Application Process

Must submit a completed application.

Please note: There is no application process to attend Study Group. Middle and high school students simply need to attend.

Funding Agencies

- Department of Justice - CTAS 9A
- Boys & Girls Club of America
- Tlingit & Haida P.L. 102-477

Contact

Youth Engagement Division | Wayfinders
PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7752 | Direct: 907.463.7752 | Fax: 1.888.871.9679

Email: Wayfinders@tlingitandhaida.gov

Youth Employment Services

Program Description

The Youth Employment Services (YES) program assists eligible tribal youth between the ages of 14–24 to obtain summer employment. Program staff provide participating youth with Soft Skill Training, Financial Literacy Training, Etiquette Training, and Career 101 to help enhance youth worker’s employment experiences.

Communities Served

Open to all Southeast Alaska communities with the exception of Metlakatla.

Eligibility Requirements

- Must be enrolled in a Federally recognized Tribe or demonstrate proof of eligibility for tribal enrollment or provide a Certificate of Indian Blood (CIB) from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA).
- Must be between 14–24 years of age.
- Must reside in Southeast Alaska.
- Must meet the income requirements of the YES Program

Application Process

- Submit your completed YES application by the deadline on the form online at <https://prod.tribald.com/ccthprod/public/ccthonlineapp.aspx>
- Once approved, you’ll receive a Human Resources Packet to complete and return with the required documents to yesandinternships@tlingitandhaida.gov.
- Include copies of your Tribal Enrollment Card, Social Security Card, proof of date of birth, and proof of Southeast Alaska residency.
- If you’re 14–16, a parent/guardian must complete Section B of the Work Permit form and all necessary paperwork.
- Males 18–24 must also provide proof of Selective Service registration.

Funding Agency

U.S. Department of Labor, Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act (WIOA)

Contact

Community Education & Cultural Heritage Division | Employment & Training
PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802
Toll Free: 1.800.344.1432 ext. 7916 | Direct: 907.463.7916 | Fax: 1.888.965.9102
Email: YesandInternships@tlingitandhaida.gov

Youth Wellness & Prevention

Program Description

The Youth Wellness & Prevention program provides culturally based activities and supports in the community, open to all tribal youth. Our programming focuses on youth cultural identity and connection as a key method of positive and powerful influence on risk reduction and resilience.

The program includes:

- In-School Programming
- After-School Programming
- Culture & Wellness Camps
- Traditional Games Community Support

Communities Served:

- Alaska and Washington

Eligibility Requirements:

- Open to all tribal citizens up to 24 years old.

Application Process:

For event registration and program details; email: YouthWellness@tlingitandhaida.gov

Funding Agencies

- SAMHSA - Native Connections
- Child Welfare
- Washington State Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF)

Contact

Youth Engagement Division | Youth Wellness & Prevention

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

Toll Free: 800.344.1432 ext. 7148 | Direct: 907.463.7148

Email: YouthWellness@tlingitandhaida.gov

FAMILY SERVICES

Child Support

Program Description

The federally funded and approved Tribal IV-D child support program strives to ensure all eligible tribal children receive the financial and emotional support they deserve from both parents. The program provides the following services to parents or third-party custodians:

- Paternity establishment,
- Establishment of child support orders,
- Modification and enforcement of support orders,
- Location of non-custodial parents,
- Collection and distribution of child support payments, and
- Supportive employment and training services to non-custodial parents.

The program uses the tribal judicial process and regulations to establish child support obligations. There is no fee for these services, with the exception of costs related to determining paternity. TCSU cannot monitor or modify visitation or custody orders.

Communities Served

All communities.

Eligibility Requirement

Anyone can apply but to establish child support in Tribal Court, a party in the case must be a tribal citizen.

Application Process

- Must complete an application. Upon receipt, TCSU will identify the appropriate support services.
- Child support cases will be assigned to a TCSU specialist who will assist in establishing or enforcing a child support obligation.
- In the event TCSU cannot provide services, a referral will be made to a child support program that can provide the appropriate services.

Funding Agency

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, Administration for Children and Families

Contact

Family Services Division | Tribal Child Support Unit

PO Box 25500, Juneau AK 99802

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Child Welfare

Program Description

The Child Welfare program provides case management to tribal citizens and their families who are involved with or at risk of being involved with the child welfare system. The goal for families being served is to achieve safety and maintain connections to their family, community, and culture. Family Caseworkers strive to enhance the quality of life and well-being of tribal families through services established by tribal values and strengths-based practices. Family Caseworkers provide support and outreach through collaboration, service delivery, and advocacy to protect and maintain the integrity and rights of tribal children and families.

The program's mission is to ensure that the best interests of Tribal children are protected if removal of a Tribal child from their home by the state child protective service agency occurs. State courts are required to comply with the minimum federal standards established by the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA). ICWA is a federal law that applies when a child is a member of a federally recognized Tribe, is under the age of 18, and is the subject of an involuntary custody proceeding. ICWA does not apply to custody disputes between parents.

The Child Welfare program provides case management services to children and parents or guardians in communities served. Case management services include but are not limited to:

- Intervening and attending court hearings, case staffing's and meetings;
- Conducting supervised visitations and home visits;
- Scheduling family meetings when necessary;
- Conducting family searches and identifying potential relative placements;
- Case specific Alaska Native foster care recruitment and providing support to resource families; and
- Making referrals to other support services that will further enhance the quality of lives and wellbeing of our children and families.

Communities Served

The Child Welfare program carries a caseload of ICWA cases that originate in any state involving tribal citizens. The goal is to provide support and advocacy to tribal citizens wherever they are residing.

Compact tribes with an agreement specifying Tlingit & Haida will intervene on their behalf include:

- Angoon
- Haines
- Kasaan
- Saxman
- Craig
- Hydaburg
- Klawock
- Wrangell

Eligibility Requirement

Enrolled or eligible for enrollment with Tlingit & Haida.

Application Process

ICWA notifications are sent from child welfare agencies if the child is identified as an enrolled tribal citizen or eligible for enrollment with Tlingit & Haida.

Funding Agencies

- Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) - Indian Child Welfare Act
- BIA Human Services
- State Grants
- Alaska Tribal Child Welfare Compact

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Email: ICWAIquiries@tlingitandhaida.gov

Other Alaska Offices

- Anchorage: 907.463.7350
- Craig: 907.826.3948
- Haines: 907.766.2323 ext. 9
- Kasaan/Klawock: 907.755.2326
- Saxman: 907.247.2502
- Wrangell: 907.874.3482
- Hydaburg: 907.463.7756
- Angoon: 907.463.7929

Washington Office

- Lynnwood: 907.463.8020 or wicwamail@tlingitandhaida.gov

Elderly Emergency Assistance

Program Description

Elderly Emergency Assistance provides limited emergency financial assistance (per availability of funding) to elderly tribal citizens who have urgent personal needs related to a disastrous event such as fire, death, illness or an extenuating circumstance such as utility shut-off notices, emergency medical need or burial expenses.

Communities Served

Open to all communities.

Eligibility Requirements

- Must be a tribally enrolled citizen of Tlingit & Haida.
- Must be age 65 or older.
- Must submit a completed and signed application.
- Must provide verification to indicate financial need.

Please note: This is a one-time service limit per applicant, per calendar year.

Funding Agency

Tlingit & Haida's Tribal Trust Fund

Contact

Tribal Family & Youth Services | Elderly Services

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Family Wellbeing Support

Program Description

The Family Wellbeing Support program provides in-home services to tribal citizens whose children are at risk of state child welfare involvement or out-of-home placement. Services include:

- Early intervention/preventative family services
- Weekly in-home services (parenting education, transportation, supervised visitations)
- Support and referral services
- Coordinated case management
- Facilitation of family meetings

Communities Served

- Juneau

Eligibility Requirement

- Tribal families who are at risk of state child welfare involvement, or
- Tribal families who are receiving or are eligible for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) benefits (this includes Adult Not Included TANF recipients)
- Families must agree to weekly visits and to actively engage with Family Caseworker on identifying needs and working towards achieving goals

Application Process

- Must receive referral from:
 - » Tlingit & Haida TANF Department requesting in-home family support services, or
 - » Self-referral, or
 - » State of Alaska, Office of Children's Services (OCS) requesting in-home early intervention/preventative services, or
 - » Other service providers or support agencies

If you are interested in receiving a referral, please contact your TANF caseworker or the Family Wellbeing Support program.

Funding Agencies

- State of Alaska, Office of Children's Services
- U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, Administration for Children and Families

Contact

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Foster Care Licensing

Program Description

Tribal children need nurturing adults in their lives, especially when their families are experiencing crisis or hardship. The Foster Care Licensing program actively recruits Alaska Natives and American Indians to become licensed foster parents through the State of Alaska Office of Children Services (OCS).

There is a need for emergency, short-term and long-term foster care placements in all communities. There are not enough culturally appropriate homes for tribal children, resulting in the placement of tribal children in homes that do not share their cultural heritage or traditions, out of their community and away from their family.

All children deserve a safe and stable home. If you are interested in making a difference in a child's life and would like to ensure tribal children are engaged and connected with their culture and traditional values, please consider becoming a foster parent.

Communities Served

- All Southeast Alaska communities

Eligibility Requirements

- Age: Must be 21 years of age or older.
- Health: Must be physically and emotionally capable of caring for children and demonstrate a lifestyle and personal habits free of criminal activity, and abuse or misuse of alcohol or drugs.
- Financial: Must have adequate resources to support the household independent of the monthly foster care reimbursements.
- References: Must provide the names of three individuals who may be contacted for references.
- Ability and Motivation: Must have the ability and motivation to be a foster parent.
- Safety Standards: Have a home that can meet basic fire, safety and sanitary standards.
- Space: Have enough room (and beds) for a foster child to sleep, have privacy, and keep his or her belongings.

Application Process

- Contact Tribal Family & Youth Services to schedule an appointment.
- Complete and submit the Foster Care License application and Background Release form.
- Schedule a home inspection to determine if modifications need to be made to your home to make it safe for children.
- Complete core training through Alaska Center for Resource Families.

Funding Agency

State of Alaska, Department of Health & Social Services - Office of Children's Services

Contact

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www.tlingitandhaida.gov

Community & Behavioral Services Healing Center

cbs.ccthita-nsn.gov

Culture Heals

cultureheals.com

Generations Southeast Community Learning Center

generationsseasoutheast.org

Southeast Indigenous Guardians Network (SIGN)

seacoastign.org

T&H Small Business Resource Center

thbusinessresourcecenter.com

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