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## WHAT'S INSIDE

### Contract Health Services

Unfortunately the federal government has never passed a law that says that Indian Health Care is an entitlement program like Medicare or the Veterans Administration. As entitlement programs, Medicare and the VA essentially have an open end budget. The IHS has specific allocated amount of dollars and regardless of the health care needs the dollars remain the same. When the funding is inadequate the IHS and Tribes are forced to limit services through medical priorities and that is essentially why there is never enough funds to cover all the medical needs of the Indian patients.

### Indian Trust Settlement

There is a proposed Settlement in Cabell v. Salazar; a class action lawsuit about individual Indian land held in trust by the federal government. This notice is just a summary

### Changes at the Casino

The Kickapoo Casino Human Resources and Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma Gaming Commission have moved into a new facility. The original Kickapoo Casino building directly in front of the new Kickapoo Casino has been remodeled and revamped to house offices for both parties including a training and development center, human resource management, and meeting space.



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## HUD awards Oklahoma communities \$12.8 million to improve housing

OKLAHOMA CITY — The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development awarded \$12,894,899 in grants today to 18 tribal communities in Oklahoma to improve or create housing or economic development opportunities for low- to moderate-income families. The grants awarded today are provided through HUD's Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) Program to support a wide variety of community development and affordable housing activities, and are a portion of the grants that will be awarded nationally this year. Additional grant announcements will be made in the coming weeks.

"This funding helps our country's Native American and Alaska Native communities improve the living conditions for hard-working families who need the most help," said HUD Secretary Shaun Donovan. "This is an investment to promote neighborhood development, produce affordable housing and help create much needed jobs." The ICDBG program was established in 1977 to help Indian tribes and Alaska Native villages to meet their community development needs. Federally recognized Indian tribes, bands, groups or nations compete for this funding. The grants are competitive.

The recipients will use the funding to develop viable communities, including rehabilitating housing or building new housing or to buy land to support new housing construction. The funding can also be used to build infrastructure such as roads, water and sewer facilities, to create suitable living environments. To spur economic development, recipients use the grants to establish a wide variety of commercial, industrial and agricultural projects. Recipients have used the funding to build community and health centers, or to start businesses to support the community, such as shopping centers, manufacturing plants, restaurants or

convenient stores/gas stations. The Oklahoma grantees amounts follow:  
Cherokee — \$726,765; Cheyenne-Arapaho — \$799,380; Chickasaw — \$800,000; Choctaw Nation — \$800,000; Citizen Potawatomi — \$800,000; Delaware Tribe — \$800,000; Kickapoo Tribe OK — \$799,780; Muscogee (Creek) — \$800,000; Ottawa Tribe — \$800,000; Pawnee — \$800,000; Ponca — \$800,000; Quapaw Tribe — \$799,999; Seneca-Cayuga — \$799,965; Tonkawa — \$800,000; United Keetoowah — \$800,000; Wyandotte — \$369,000.  
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### Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma Business Committee



Business Committee Members: (Left to right) Patricia Gonzales, Secretary; Jennell Downs, Treasurer; Gilbert Salazar, Chairman; Everett Suke, Vice Chairman; John Scott, Councilman.

#### KICKAPOO TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA Press Release-Business Committee of the Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma McLoud, Oklahoma March 25, 2011

#### Tribal Court Decision in Marilyn Winsea. Plaintiff. v. Gilbert Salazar. Patricia Gonzales. Jennell Downs. and Everett Suke. individually and as the Business Committee of the Kickapoo Tribe. Defendants. Case No. CIV-10-12

On March 23, 2011, in the Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma District Court, the Honorable Judge Gregg Webb presiding, issued an Order dismissing Marilyn Winsea's (Plaintiff) case against the individuals of the Business Committee, Gilbert Salazar, Everett Suke, Patricia Gonzales, and Jennell Downs, and as the Business Committee (Defendants). The District Court, as directed by the Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma Supreme Court, was to review evidence for the purpose of determining three (3) issues from the removal hearings of Marilyn Winsea as Chairperson of the Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma Business Committee. Those three (3) issues are procedural safeguards as written in the **Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma Constitution and By laws, Article IX, 1 (g)**, which are:

- The official is entitled to at least fifteen (15) days written notice of the special meeting where the removal is to be considered;
- The official is entitled to make a statement in his or her own defense; and
- The official is entitled to confront the person or persons making accusations against the official.

Upon the taking of evidence, Judge Webb found that Marilyn Winsea was given fifteen (15) days notice prior to the first removal hearing and that this Constitutional requirement was satisfied. The Court further found that Tribal Constitutional minimum standards were met at the removal hearings regarding the ability of Marilyn Winsea to make a statement in her own defense and that she had the opportunity to confront or question her accusers.

### Tribal Offices



Tribal offices include the Multi-Purpose Building on top, the Nutrition Center in the middle and the Tribal Accounting Building on the bottom.