

ACJY-91-82

Class "B" Resolution
Area Approval Required.

RESOLUTION OF THE
ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE
NAVAJO TRIBAL COUNCIL

Revised 10/84
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Adopting a Plan of Operation for
Veterans Assistance

WHEREAS:

1. The Veterans Assistance Program was established by Navajo Tribal Council Resolution CF-14-82 within the Executive Branch of the Navajo Tribal Council; and
2. Navajo Veterans have never been able to gain treatment and benefits from the federal government on a priority with other veterans and in many cases have been totally excluded from key benefits and programs instituted expressly for the benefit of veterans; and
3. The Navajo Tribal Council did further amend the Fiscal Year 1982 Tribal Budget by establishing through the appropriate tribal financial mechanism a revolving account in the amount of \$1,875,000 from the Unappropriated Surplus for the purpose of initiating, implementing, expanding or improving various veterans programs as identified and prioritized by the Navajo Veterans Commission; and
4. The Veterans Assistance Program special mandate shall be to identify and assess Navajo Veteran needs, prioritize those needs and make recommendations for the expenditure of funds from a revolving account established for funding of special programs or expansion of programs to be implemented through the existing Tribal Divisions; and
5. To the maximum extent possible, such funds shall be used to generate additional state, federal, or tribal funds in order to insure the maximum return for the dollar by use as match or by increasing the effectiveness or responsiveness of some ongoing program identified as having the potential to meet a high priority veteran need including but not limited to housing, medical care, employment assistance, employment preference, or increased participation in federal veterans benefit program.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Advisory Committee of the Navajo Tribal Council hereby approves the adoption and implementation of the Plan of Operation for the Veterans Assistance Program, attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Advisory Committee of the Navajo Tribal Council at a duly called meeting at Window Rock, Navajo Nation (Arizona), at which a quorum was present and that same was passed by a vote of 12 in favor and 0 opposed, this 15th day of July, 1982.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Paul". The signature is stylized with a large initial "J" and a cursive "Paul".

Vice Chairman
Navajo Tribal Council

Wm Rorden 7/14/82

NAVAJO NATION OFFICE OF VETERAN AFFAIRS

Proposed Plan of Operation

I. ESTABLISHMENT

- A. The Navajo Nation Office of Veteran Affairs is established pursuant to Navajo Tribal Council Resolution CF-14-82 to assist in the administration of Veterans Program of the Navajo Veterans Commission.

II. PURPOSES

- A. To Coordinate all Navajo efforts with respect to veterans assistance programs within the Navajo Nation in such areas as; health care, compensation and pensions, education benefits, housing assistance, life insurance, veterans assistance in emergencies, vocational rehabilitation, counseling and assistance, veterans cemeteries, transportation, Navajo language information programs, Navajo Nation Honor Guard, Navajo Nation Veterans Association.
- B. To coordinate federal, state and regional efforts with respect to veterans assistance programs within the Navajo Nation in the areas specified above in II. A.
- C. To report quarterly to the Navajo Veterans Commission concerning its activities, and to recommend legislation to the Navajo Tribal Council and all legislative entities, in connection with veteran-related assistance.

III. POWERS

A. General

The Office of Veteran Affairs shall have all powers necessary and proper to carry out the purposes set forth in Section II and of this Plan of Operation.

B. Enumerated Powers

To implement and administer policies and programs of Veteran Assistance.

To represent the Navajo Nation in negotiating agreements between the Navajo Nation and other entities providing funding and other veterans assistance programs subject to the approval of any negotiated agreement by:

- a. The Veterans Commission, The Advisory Committee, Navajo Tribal Council; and
- b. The Budget and Finance Committee, Navajo Tribal Council, if the agreement calls for the expenditure of Navajo Nation funds.

IV. AMENDMENT TO PLAN OF OPERATION

This Plan of Operation may be amended from time to time by the Advisory Committee of the Navajo Tribal Council.

REVISED BUDGET
VETERANS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
AND NAVAJO VETERANS COMMISSION
MARCH 01 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 1982

100 PERSONNEL SERVICES

\$221,699.00

101	Executive Director	30,409
102	Administrative Assistant	20,582
103	Media Specialist	20,582
104	Secretary II	13,931
105	Clerk Typist II	9,900
106	Veterans Service Officer (Shiprock)	15,359
107	Secretary I	9,900
108	Veterans Service Officer (Chinle)	15,359
109	Secretary I	9,900
110	Veterans Service Officer (Tuba City)	15,359
111	Secretary I	9,900
112	Veterans Service Officer (Crownpoint)	15,359
113	Secretary I	9,900
114	Veterans Service Officer (Fort Defiance)	15,359
115	Secretary I	9,900

VETERANS PROGRAMS

\$1,000,000

Transfer to Community Development Veterans Housing Program. To Be certified by the Navajo Nation Office of Veterans Affairs.

\$875,000

Emergency Assistance	\$60,000
Burial Assistance	40,000
Medical, Transportation Cost, Veteran Ceremonies	350,000
Navajo Nation Veterans Association	120,000
Navajo Nation Honor Guard	80,000
Chapter Employment, Vocational Rehabilitation Assistance & Counseling	80,000
Navajo Language	40,000
Education	105,000

Subject to Modification by Financial Service and Budget and Finance Committee.