

**TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION FOR FY25 COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT FUNDING FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**

**IN THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE CHOCTAW NATION**

**RONALD PERRY INTRODUCED THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL BILL**

**A COUNCIL BILL**

**TO APPROVE** application for FY25 Community Services Block Grant funding from the Department of Health & Human Services.

**WHEREAS**, the United States Department of Health & Human Services is accepting applications for FY25 Community Services Block Grant funding. This grant provides a range of services to address the needs of low-income individuals to improve the causes and conditions of poverty, and to impact causes and conditions that result in people being inadequately employed, educated or housed, or needing help to make best use of their resources;

**WHEREAS**, the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma (the "Nation") desires to coordinate and establish linkages between governmental and other social service programs to assure effective delivery of such services by conducting activities designed to assist low-income participants with benefits to supplement and support services provided by other tribal programs, or to provide services which might otherwise not be available through any other agency or source;

**WHEREAS**, the Nation will use the funds to assist low-income participants with home energy related costs; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma finds it is in the best interest of the Nation to approve the application for FY25 Community Services Block Grant funds from the United States Department of Health & Human Services.

**THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED** by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that this Bill be cited as approval of the application for FY25 Community Services Block Grant funds from the United States Department of Health & Human Services to provide assistance with home energy related costs to eligible participants.

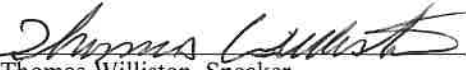
**BE IT FURTHER ENACTED** by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that this Bill be cited as an acknowledgement that the Chief of the Nation, or his designee, is authorized to prepare, execute, deliver and file any and all agreements, certificates, instruments and documents, in such form and with such terms and provisions as the Chief of the Nation, or his designee, may approve, and to take such other action as he, she or they may deem proper or appropriate, to carry out the intent and purposes of the foregoing enactments.

**CERTIFICATION**

*I, the undersigned, as speaker of the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that the Tribal Council is composed of twelve (12) seats. Eight (8) members must be present to constitute a quorum. I further certify that Twelve (12) members answered roll call and that a quorum was present at the Regular Session of the Tribal Council at Tuskahoma, Oklahoma on July 13, 2024. I further certify that the foregoing Council Bill CB-88-24 was adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of Twelve (12) members, Zero (0) negative votes, and Zero (0) abstaining.*

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Ronald Perry, Secretary  
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council

  
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Thomas Williston, Speaker  
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council

  
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Gary Batton, Chief  
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

Date 7/19/24

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**Purpose/Need of Council Bill:** This bill approves application to the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services for FY25 Community Services Block Grant funding. The Nation's Emergency Services Department will use these funds to assist low-income participants with home energy related costs. Approving application for these funds will meet the Nation's Strategic Goal to support service delivery to improve quality of life through providing programs and services that will provide home energy cost assistance for Tribal Members.

**Title of Council Bill: TO APPROVE THE PLAN/APPLICATION FOR FY25 COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT FUNDING FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**

**Federal Agency:** United States Department of Health & Human Services

**Match Required:** N/A

**Request by/Project Director:** Staci Anderson, Program Director, Emergency Services; Teresa Jackson, SEO Member Services

**Suggested Legislative Committee Review:** Housing Committee and Finance Committee