

**TO APPROVE APPLICATION FOR THE 2025 SPECIAL TRIBAL CRIMINAL JURISDICTION (STCJ)  
GRANT PROGRAM**

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

**ANTHONY DILLARD INTRODUCED THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL BILL**

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**A COUNCIL BILL**

**TO APPROVE** application to the United States Department of Justice for the Special Tribal Criminal Jurisdiction (“STCJ”) Grant Program to sustain and expand the services and capacity of the Ahni Family Justice Center in the amount of up to One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000.00).

**WHEREAS**, this bill fulfills an application requirement for funding opportunity number O-OVW-2025-172276;

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Article VII, Section I of the Constitution of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, the Chief shall perform all duties pertaining to the Office of the Chief Executive. He shall sign official papers on behalf of the Nation;

**WHEREAS**, the applicant is a federally recognized Tribe appearing in the most recently published list of Indian Entities Recognized and Eligible to Receive Services from the United States Bureau of Indian Affairs;

**WHEREAS**, the tribe has jurisdiction over lands that meet the definition of Indian country;

**WHEREAS**, the governing body of the tribe intends to plan, develop, implement, and exercise STCJ within its jurisdiction;

**WHEREAS**, all internal required project partners will participate in and cooperate with the planning, development, implementation, and exercise of STCJ and the Tribe will authorize Tribal agencies or officials to enter into/sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)/Internal Memorandum of Understanding (IMOU) to implement the project;

**WHEREAS**, the Special Tribal Criminal Jurisdiction Grant Program furthers the Nation’s strategic goal of supporting service delivery and increasing Tribal Member quality of life by supporting victims, helping meet their needs, and connecting them to other tribal programs.; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council has determined it is in the best interest of the Nation to apply to the United States Department of Justice (DOJ) for Special Tribal Criminal Jurisdiction Grant Program funds to support the Ahni Family Justice Center.

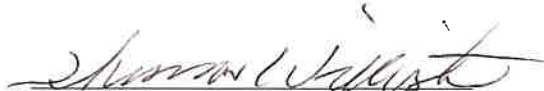
**THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED** by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that this Bill be cited as approval for application to the United States Department of Justice for the Special Tribal Criminal Jurisdiction Grant Program, Funding Opportunity Number: O-OVW-2025-172276, to help sustain and expand the operations of the Ahni Family Justice Center for a maximum grant award up to One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars and 00/100 (\$1,500,000.00).

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**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 eleven (11) members answered roll call and that a quorum was present at the Regular Session of the Tribal Council at Tvshka Homma, Oklahoma on April 12, 2025. I further certify that the foregoing Council Bill CB- 46 -25 was adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of eleven ( 11 ) members, zero ( 0 ) negative votes, and zero ( 0 ) abstaining.*

  
Anthony Dillard, Interim Secretary  
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council

  
Thomas Williston, Speaker  
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council

  
Gary Patton, Chief  
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

Date 4-16-25

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**Purpose/Need of Council Bill:** To approve application to the United States Department of Justice for the Special Tribal Criminal Jurisdiction ("STCJ") Grant Program to sustain the operations of the Ahni Family Justice Center

**Title of Council Bill:** TO APPROVE APPLICATION FOR THE 2025 SPECIAL TRIBAL CRIMINAL JURISDICTION (STCJ) GRANT PROGRAM

**Agency:** United States Department of Justice

**CNO Department:** Legal

**Funding Opportunity Number:** O-OVW-2025-172276

**Maximum Federal Award Available:** \$1,500,000.00

**CNO Match:** N/A

**Maximum Project Budget:** \$1,500,000.00

**Strategic Goal:** Supporting service delivery and increasing Tribal Member quality of life

**Request by Project Director/SEO:** Kari Hurst, Project Director; Sean Bradley, Executive Director; Brian Danker, SEO