



## SOCIAL SECURITY

The Commissioner

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The Honorable Mick Mulvaney  
Director, Office of Management and Budget  
Eisenhower Executive Office Building, Room 252  
1650 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20503

Dear Mr. Mulvaney:

We are pleased to provide the annual progress report on our Tribal Consultation and Coordination Plan. Since we submitted our last progress report on August 5, 2016, we completed a number of activities to advance our plan. We detail our progress in the enclosed report.

Our Tribal Consultation Workgroup met regularly to review our consultation policies and outreach efforts. We continue to work closely with tribal leaders through our communication, education, and outreach activities.

If you have any questions, please contact me, Social Security's Tribal Consultation Official, at (410) 965-3120.

Sincerely,

Nancy A. Berryhill  
Acting Commissioner

Enclosure

**Social Security Administration  
Tribal Consultation Plan – 2017 Progress Report**

The Social Security Administration (SSA) is committed to strengthening our relationship with Indian tribes through multiple initiatives as defined in Executive Order 13175, *Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments*.

We would like to provide updates for the following initiatives:

- Improve Service Delivery by Responding to Policy and Legislative Proposals;
- Maintain and Expand Ongoing Communication;
- Outreach to Tribal Community Military Service Members, Veterans, and Families; and
- Continuing Outreach and Tribal Consultation Efforts.

**Improve Service Delivery by Responding to Policy and Legislative Proposals**

Since our last progress report on August 5, 2016, we had three policy and legislative proposals that required consultation:

- Currently, SSA accepts Tribal Identification (ID) cards as secondary identification when applying for services using Video Service Delivery (VSD) sites. In our previous report in August 2016, we shared that in response to a need in the tribal community, we created an exception to the VSD policy to accept Tribal IDs as primary identity documentation to be accepted under the VSD enumeration process. Since our last report, we have made significant process with expansion efforts by establishing a uniform process for all regions to accept Tribal IDs using VSD on a national scale. This policy update is currently under review;
- Currently, SSA accepts income from tribal programs that provides assistance that meet the Assistance Based on Need (ABON) requirements as excludable resources under the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program. The National Congress of American Indians asked SSA to clarify policy to ensure consistency and consider changing policy to include all tribal programs nationwide. In response to this request, we issued national guidance on how to process special cases involving ABON and Trusts Established under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act. In addition to issuing guidance on this issue, we offered training to those who needed further explanation regarding the handling of these cases. We are currently working to clarify policy to support consistency of SSI Trust determinations; and,
- Currently, the Social Security Act does not provide an option for tribal council members to receive Social Security coverage. In June 2017, Senator John Thune and Senator Maria Cantwell introduced the Tribal Social Security Fairness Act, legislation that would allow tribal governments to enter into an agreement with the Social Security Administration to provide social security coverage for Tribal Council members. Representatives Reichert, DelBene, Kilmer, and Cole introduced a companion bill in the House of Representatives. SSA is tracking the bill and if it becomes law, will work quickly and efficiently to implement its provisions.

### **Maintain and Expand Ongoing Communication**

To improve access and understanding of our programs, we continue to conduct programmatic seminars with Indian tribes and tribal entities. At these seminars, we shared information on our retirement and disability programs including our Wounded Warrior program, Supplemental Security Income, Medicare “Extra Help”, Medicare State Buy-in provisions, online services and service delivery changes. We also helped tribal community members create *my* Social Security accounts.

Reflected below are examples of our activities to strengthen our relationship with Indian tribes. Since our last progress report we:

- Donated 581 computer equipment items to Indian tribes throughout various states (Refer to Addendum Section A);
- Launched a national map to share geographical information on federally recognized tribes by SSA region, including VSD sites and field office locations serving tribal communities. We also developed a process to keep this information current;
- Shared over 600 copies of the Tribal Benefits Coordinator Guide with tribal communities at the launch of the first version. As this information was shared nationally, we received 100 additional requests. To communicate accurate information, we will update this guide in November 2017 to reflect policy updates and changes to SSA’s programs and services;
- Initiated a pilot for an internship program for American Indian and Alaska Native (AIAN) students at Tribal Colleges and Universities (TCUs) in two regions to work with the agency to better understand SSA’s programs and services. The internship program provides the opportunity for the students to gain experience in the federal government and for information on SSA programs and services to share with the AIAN community. After the pilot concludes, we will assess the results of the pilot, gauge interest, train regional coordinators and look into rolling this program out nationally;
- Explored ways and targeted areas that SSA’s programs and services can benefit TCUs by communicating and collaborating with a network of noncompetitive eligibility contacts that included National Veterans’ Outreach and Selective Placement Coordinators, Career One Stop Centers, Vocational Rehabilitation Offices, Ticket to Work Job Service Providers and College/University Disability and Career Services;
- Shared SSA's Graduate Student Fellowship Opportunities announcement for Summer Fellows and Dissertation Fellows with over ten tribal nations throughout the state of New York; and, Native American Student organizations at various colleges and universities throughout the states of New York and New Jersey;
- Hosted a national conference call in December 2016 for tribal benefit coordinators to address various topics including Retirement and Survivors benefits, Supplemental Security Income, Social Security cards, Medicare, and outreach. Over 100 advocates of the tribal community attended the call;
- Marketed VSD with no-costs ads in local newspapers and flyers. Promoted VSD services and provided training to the tribal communities in various states. Currently, the Office of Disability Adjudication and Review (ODAR) is utilizing the VSD equipment installed at the Wanblee Health Clinic on Pine Ridge Reservation for claimant hearings;
- Expanded VSD locations for tribal locations based on an immediate need for tribes in Wyoming (Refer to Addendum Section B);
- Conducted workshops with over 65,000 participants in over 200 events (Refer to Addendum Section C); and,

- Conducted outreach with tribal communities using 11 radio programs, and five newsletter outlets (Refer to Addendum Section D).

### **Outreach to Tribal Community Military Service Members, Veterans, and Families**

To raise awareness about our expedited disability claim initiatives for military service members and veterans, we conducted outreach at approximately 29 events in various states (Refer to Addendum Section E).

### **Continuing Outreach and Tribal Consultation Efforts**

We continue to enhance our outreach and consultation efforts with tribal communities by:

#### **1. Seeking Input from Tribes**

- In support of our continued outreach to Indian tribes, we share information about our programs, service delivery changes and respond to customer service inquiries at meetings. Since our last report, we met with over 70 tribal organizations (Refer to Addendum Section F).

#### **2. Developing Core Consultation Issues**

- Attended the United South and Eastern Tribes (USET) Sovereignty Protection Fund Impact Week to have Acting Commissioner Berryhill share information on SSA's efforts in Indian Country. Tribal leaders requested that SSA address the consistency related to the treatment of tribal income for SSI benefits. Over 250 tribal leaders and members participated in this event. Since this meeting, our agency has issued national guidance on how to process special cases involving ABON and Trusts Established under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act. In addition to issuing guidance on this issue, we offered training to those who needed further explanation regarding the handling of these cases. We are currently working to clarify policy to support consistency of SSI Trust determinations.

#### **3. Enhancing Staff Training and Awareness**

- Developed presentations with White House Special Assistant to the President, Karen Diver, on improving relationships with Indian Country. The presentations were shared with over 65,000 employees on the internal website to share information on building better relationships with tribal communities;
- Collaborated across regional lines to share training and outreach material to assist employees with building and fostering relationships built on trust, open communication and cooperation in the tribal communities. Established an AIAN partnership between regional Public Affairs Specialist (PAS) offices and the American Indian and Alaska Native Advisory Council (AIANAC) regional liaisons for the purpose of improving outreach by providing regional PAS offices with the resources and knowledge needed to

establish and retain relationships within Indian Country. This collaboration allowed 10 regions to foster better relationships with local AIAN communities;

- Participated in the Society of American Indian Government Employees (SAIGE) Annual National Training Conference in Scottsdale, Arizona where ACOSS Nancy Berryhill shared information on professional development and skillsets needed to move into Senior Executive Services with over 300 American Indian government employees; and,
- Created an AIAN Employee Resource Portal to implement a unified approach on delivering service to the AIAN customer by providing resources and links to assist with doing business with the AIAN customer. Once finalized, we will share the portal with SSA employees.

#### **4. Consulting Regularly with Tribes**

- On February 7, 2017, Acting Commissioner Berryhill attended the tribal consultation meeting with the United South and Eastern tribes. Over 30 tribes were represented. The Acting Commissioner held a listening session on SSA issues and concerns.
- Met with the Ute Mountain Executive Director in Colorado to discuss VSD needs in support of a Department of Interior (DOI)-sponsored initiative, entitled the Tiwahe Initiative, to address family welfare and poverty issues, education investments, economic development and sustainable stewardship of natural resources.

#### Exchanging of Information between SSA and Tribal Governments

- To raise awareness of the Native American precedent process, staff met to discuss the Native American Precedent Application (NAPA) to enlist recommendations to assist with marketing the NAPA program to increase use of the application. We will continue to incorporate recommendations to increase the use of this application and promote efficiency;
- To update and maintain policy related to the Tribal Trust Accounting and Management Settlement Agreements, we continue to collaborate with the Department of Justice (DOJ). This collaboration ensures an accurate account on various tribes throughout the country to settle their court cases through DOJ to keep field office staff informed of the tribes that are eligible for the exclusion, and provide instructions on how to document the settlement payments received by tribal members for SSI purposes;
- Shared vacancy information with the Bureau of Indian Affairs to share with their tribal partners. Continue to use OPM's USAJOBS web-based recruitment and application system in an effort to reach individuals across the country;
- Collaborated with DOJ to share information on grants for tribal communities; and,
- Collaborated with the AmeriCorps Indian Tribes to share information on solicitations for tribal communities.

#### **5. Additional activities in support of Executive Order 13270 - Tribal Colleges and Universities**

As part of our outreach and communication efforts with tribal governments and tribal colleges and universities, we will continue to:

- Collaborate with TCUs on recruiting students to share information on SSA's programs and services and increase awareness amongst tribal members; and,
- Donate excessed furniture, such as chairs, desks, printers, and computers in FY 2017-2018.

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Addendum**

A. We responded to a need for resources for tribal organizations and donated the following computer equipment items:

- 93 computer, 96 monitors and 40 laptops to the Northern Cheyenne Reservation (Billings, MT);
- 76 Central Processing Units (CPU) and 75 monitors to Chief Dull Knife College (Colorado Springs, CO);
- 28 computers and 18 monitors to the Denver Indian Center (Denver, CO);
- 22 CPUs and 24 monitors to the Crow Creek Reservation (Huron, SD);
- 10 CPUs and 11 monitors to Canon City community members (Canon City, CO);
- 4 CPUs and 11 monitors to the Wacinyan Tipi Homeless Shelter (Agency Village, SD);
- 5 computers 5 monitors and 5 keyboards to the American Indian Center for Indiana, Inc. (Indianapolis, IN);
- 7 CPUs and 6 monitors for the Youth and Family Services (YFS) American Indian Center (Rapid City, SD);
- 5 computers and 5 monitors to the White Earth Tribal Health Department (White Earth Reservation, MN);
- 10 computers to the Three Affiliated Tribal Satellite Office (Minot, SD);
- 3 computers and 3 monitors to the Sacred Pipe Mission Resource Center (Bismarck, ND); and
- 1 computer and 1 monitor to the Native American Development Center (Bismarck, ND).

B. Expanded Video Service Delivery locations for tribal locations based on an immediate need for the following tribes:

- Fort Washakie Tribal Community in WY; and,
- River Family Community Care Center in WY.

C. We also conducted workshops with:

- 30,000 participants in the Denver Pow Wow in Denver, CO;
- 10,000 participants at the San Francisco Giants Native American Heritage Night in San Francisco, CA;
- 8,000 participants in 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Stanford Pow Wow in Stanford, CA;
- 2,500 participants in the Mohawk Tribal Nation Event in Hogansburg, NY;
- 1,500 participants in the 9<sup>th</sup> American Indian Celebration of Heritage Pow Wow in San Jose, CA;
- 1,200 participants at the 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Protecting Our Children National American Indian Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect in San Diego, CA;
- 1,100 participants in the Nansemond Indian Pow Wow in Suffolk, VA;

- 1,000 participants at the American Indian Day New Mexico State Capital Legislative Session in Santa Fe, NM;
- 1,000 participants in the San Francisco Native American Health Center Round Dance Event in San Francisco, CA;
- 800 participants in the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Governor’s Native American Summit in Orem, UT;
- 800 participants in the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) Mid-Year Convention in Uncasville, CT;
- 600 participants at the San Francisco Friendship House 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Dancing Feathers Youth Pow Wow in San Francisco, CA;
- 600 participants in the Red Lake Indian Health Fair in Red Lake, MN;
- 500 participants in the McKinley County Gallup Day New Mexico State Capital Event in Gallup, NM;
- 500 participants at the American Indian Resource Center Pow Wow at Laney College in Oakland, CA;
- 450 participants in the American Indian Alaska Native Heritage Month Celebration in Courtland, VA;
- 400 participants in the San Francisco State University Student Council of Intertribal Nations (SKINS) Pow Wow in San Francisco, CA;
- 300 participants in the Department of the Interior (DOI) Tribal Outreach Event in Everett, WA;
- 300 participants in the Tohono O’Odham Law Day Event in South Tucson, AZ;
- 300 participants in the U.S. DOI Land Buy-Back Program for Tribal Nations Conference in Tulalip, WA;
- 300 participants in the Leech Lake Minnesota Resource Fair in Leech Lake, MN;
- 300 participants in the Brave County Annual Pow Wow in Pembroke, NC;
- 250 participants in the University of Utah Pow Wow in Salt Lake City, UT;
- 200 participants in the Pueblo of Ohkay Owingeh Health Fair in Santa Fe, NM;
- 200 participants in the Santa Fe Indian School Depart of Indian Affairs event in Santa Fe, NM;
- 200 participants in the State Tribal Relationship Rotunda Ceremony in Pierre, SD;
- 200 participants in the Mescalero Apache Women’s Wellness Conference in Las Cruces, NM;
- 200 participants in the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Indian Health Services/Inter-Tribal Urban (ITU) Outreach and Education Training Event in Gallup, NM;
- 200 participants in the Pueblo of Tesuque Health Fair in Santa Fe, NM;
- 200 participants in the American Indian Pow Wow in Lebanon, IN;
- 200 participants in the Catawba Nation Health Fair in Rock Hill, SC;
- 175 participants at the Native Caring Conference in Salem, OR;
- 175 participants in the Oregon Native Caring Conference in Grand Ronde, OR;
- 150 participants in the Wanblee Indian Health Center Fair in Wanblee, SD;
- 100 participants in the Snoqualmie Tribal Health Fair in Snoqualmie, WA;
- 100 participants in the Federal Benefits Fair for Muckleshoot Tribe in Auburn, WA;
- 100 participants in the Tohajiilee Community Health Fair in Tohajiilee, NM;
- 100 participants in the Health and Wellness Fair in Red Springs, NC;

- 90 participants at the eServices Day Per Capita Spend Down Day Event in Franklin, NC;
- 80 participants at the Bannock Tribal Outreach event in Pocatello, ID;
- 80 participants in the Shoshone-Bannock Tribal Outreach Event in Fort Hall, ID;
- 75 participants at the Annual Tribal Business Office Conference in Anchorage, AK;
- 75 participants in the CMS Annual Medicare Training Workshop in Seattle, WA;
- 70 participants in the Annual Tribal Business Conference in Anchorage, AK;
- 70 participants in the Pueblo of Tesuque Health and Safety Fair in Tesuque, NM;
- 65 participants in the Jamestown S’Klallam Tribal Meeting and Employee Outreach Event in Sequim, WA;
- 60 participants in the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe National Elders Meeting in New London, CT;
- 60 participants in the Santo Domingo Pueblo Health Fair in Santo Domingo, NM;
- 50 participants in the Pueblo of Sandia Health Fair in Albuquerque, NM;
- 50 participants at the CMS/Indian Health Services (IHS) Training Event in Denver, CO;
- 50 participants in the South Dakota City-Wide Healthcare Initiative in Rapid City, SD;
- 45 participants at the Jamestown S’Klallam Tribal Outreach presentation in Kitsap, WA;
- 45 participants in the Tribal Outreach Event in Dillingham, AK;
- 42 participants at the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Individual Indian Money event in Portland Metro, OR;
- 41 participants in the Regional BIA Area Meeting in Portland, OR;
- 40 participants in the Jamestown S’Klallam Tribal Outreach Event in Sequim, WA;
- 40 participants in the CMS/ITU Outreach and Education Training Event in Nashville, TN;
- 35 participants in the Port Gamble S’Klallam Tribe Presentation in Port Angeles, WA;
- 35 participants in the Port Gamble S’Klallam Tribal Outreach Event in Kingston, WA;
- 30 participants in the Denver Indian Center Final Friday Arts and Crafts Event in Denver, CO;
- 30 participants in the Upper Skagit Tribal Outreach Event in Sedro Woolley, WA;
- 30 participants in the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Event in Ysleta del Sur Pueblo, NM;
- 27 participants in the Kodiak Cares Tribal Outreach Monthly Meeting in Kodiak, AK;
- 25 participants at the Denver Indian Center Elder Lunch Meeting in Denver, CO;
- 24 participants in the Cook Inlet Tribal Council Youth Summer Internship Outreach Event in Anchorage, AK;
- 15 participants in the Confederated Tribe of Siletz Presentation in Salem, OR;
- 15 participants in the Santa Fe Indian School Employee Retirement Workshop in Santa Fe, NM;
- 15 participants in the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians Meeting in Siletz, OR;
- 14 participants in the Nisqually Tribal Outreach Presentation in Olympia, WA;
- 13 participants at the Aleutian Pribilof Islands Association Program Training in Anchorage, AK;
- 13 participants in the Aleutian Pribilof Island Association Meeting in Anchorage, AK;
- 10 participants in the Indian Center’s Elders Meeting in Denver, CO;
- 10 participants in the Cook Inlet Region Corporation Meeting in Anchorage, AK; and,

- Seven participants at the Bering Straits Native Corporation Staff Training in Anchorage, NM.

C1. We also participated in the following events:

- 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Fall Career Fair in the Denver Indian Center in Denver, CO;
- 140<sup>th</sup> Annual Rosebud Sioux Tribe Pow Wow in Rosebud, SD;
- 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Shiprock Service Unit Health Benefits Fair in Shiprock, NM;
- 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Native Women’s Faith Based Conference in Phoenix, AZ;
- 2016 Northern Cherokee Nation Gathering in Nevada, MO;
- 2017 San Diego Native American Indian Health Center Pow Wow in San Diego, CA;
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual New Mexico Tribal Leadership and Advocate Summit in Santa Fe, NM;
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Round Dance and Indian Market Event in San Jose, CA;
- 47<sup>th</sup> Stanford Pow Wow in Stanford, CA;
- Ak-Chin Elders Center Event in Maricopa, AZ;
- American Indian Disability Summit in Phoenix, AZ;
- American Indian Institute Diabetes Conferences in Sacramento, CA and Chandler, AZ;
- American Indian Mental Health Conference in Bois Forte Band of Chippewa, MN;
- American Indian Pow Wow in Lebanon, IN;
- American Indian Rainbow Gathering Summit in Phoenix, AZ;
- Arizona American Indian AIDS Task Force Event in Phoenix, AZ;
- Arizona Department of Health Tribal Summit in Chandler, AZ;
- Arizona State University West American Indian Student Conference in Phoenix, AZ;
- Arizona Statewide American Indian Behavioral Health Summit in Maricopa, AZ;
- Association on American Indian Affairs IIRC Conference in Albuquerque, NM;
- Bay Area American Indian Two Spirits 7<sup>th</sup> Pow Wow in San Francisco, CA;
- Berkeley Indigenous Peoples Day in Berkeley, CA;
- Campo Kumeyaay Nation Event in Campo, CA;
- Catawba Nation Senior Day in Rock Hill, SC;
- Chickasaw Nation Benefits Coordinator Training Event in Ada, OK;
- CMS Training Event in WI and MN;
- CMS Tribal Partnership Training in Phoenix, AZ;
- CMS/IHS Education Event in Rapid City, SD;
- Colorado Spring Pow Wow in Colorado Springs, CO;
- Colorado Springs Pow Wow in Colorado Springs, CO;
- Council’s Benefits Health Fair in Scott County, MN;
- Creighton University All Nations Pow Wow in Omaha, NE;
- Denver Indian Center Incorporated Arts and Crafts Event in Denver, CO;
- Denver Indian Job Fair in Denver, CO;
- Denver Pow Wow in Denver, CO;

- Department of Interior Event for Pierre for Lower Brule and Crow Creek in Pierre, SD;
- Department of the Interior Meeting at Wagner in South Dakota;
- Enhancing Social Security's Outreach Event in Crescent City, CA;
- eServices/per capita Spend Down Day in Cherokee, NC;
- Fort Belknap Tribal Pow Wow in Fort Belknap, MT;
- Fort McDowell Apache Tribal Library Event in Fountain Hills, AZ;
- Fort Peck Tribal Pow Wow in Fort Peck, MT;
- Gathering of the Lodges Event Oakland, CA;
- Gerald Ignace Indian Health Center Fair in Milwaukee, WI;
- Gila River Hu Hu Kam Hospital Event in Sacaton, AZ;
- Gila River Indian Community District Events in Sacaton AZ, Laveen, AZ and Casa Blanca, AZ;
- Gila River Indian Community Senior Services Event in Bapchule, AZ;
- Gila River Indian Community Senior Services Event in Sacaton, AZ;
- Grand Valley American Indian Lodge 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Traditional Pow Wow in Grand Rapids, MI;
- Great Mohican Pow Wow in Loudonville, OH;
- Great Mohican Pow Wow in Loudonville, OH;
- Great Plains Area Outreach Meetings in SD;
- Haskell Indian Nation University Pre-Retirement Seminar in Lawrence, KS;
- Intertribal Indian Club of Tulsa (IICOT) Pow Wow in Tulsa, OK;
- Indian Health Hospital Event in Chinle, AZ;
- Inter-Tribal Council of Arizona Event in Phoenix, AZ;
- Komatke Health Clinic Event in Laveen Village, AZ;
- Little Wound High School Special Education Transition Forum in Kyle, SD;
- McKinley County Gallup Day in Albuquerque, NM;
- Medicare for Elders from Pala Band of Mission Event in San Jose, CA;
- Men Day Program at the Miccosukee Tribal Center in Miami, FL;
- Me-Wuk Education Meeting in Tuolumne, CA;
- Me-Wuk Elders Partnership Meeting in Tuolumne, CA;
- Me-Wuk Tribal Council Member Meeting in Tuolumne, CA;
- Miami Valley Council Pow Wow in Dayton, OH;
- National Indian Council on Aging Conference in Niagara Falls, NY;
- National Indian Health Board Tribal Health Summit in Sacramento, CA;
- National Indian Health Board Tribal Summit in Scottsdale, AZ;
- Native American Center at the Benefits Hospital Event in Great Falls, MT;
- Native American Health Center Presentation in Oakland, CA;
- Native American Heritage Month Celebration in Fontana, CA;
- Native American Indian Seniors Event in Phoenix, AZ;
- Native American Liaison, Santa Fe County Government Affairs in Santa Fe, NM;
- Native American Services of Erie and Niagara Counties Event in Buffalo, NY;
- Navajo Nation Information Fair in Window Rock, AZ;
- Navajo Nation Youth Summit in Gallup, NM;
- Networking at the Southern Plains Inter-Tribal Health Board Meeting in Oklahoma City, OK;

- Northern Cheyenne Reservation Benefits Fair Event in Billings, MT;
- Oklahoma Tribal Leadership and Advocate Summit in Shawnee, OK;
- Omaha Tribe of Nebraska 212<sup>th</sup> Annual Hedewachi Pow Wow in Sioux City, IA;
- Outreach to the Allegheny-Lenape Indian Council Meeting in Canton, OH;
- Parker IHS Event in Parker, AZ;
- Pascua Yaqui Senior Center Event in Tucson, AZ;
- Pathways to Respecting American Indians Civil Rights Conference in Denver, CO;
- Phoenix Indian Medical Center Health Fair in Phoenix, AZ;
- Pine Ridge Health Fair/Medicare Enrollment Event in Sioux Falls, SD;
- Pine Ridge High School Career Fair and listening session in Pine Ridge, SD;
- Pine Ridge Reservation Training Event in Pine Ridge, SD;
- Ponca Tribe of Nebraska Annual Pow Wow in Norfolk, NE;
- Pueblo of Sandia Health Fair in Pueblo of Sandia, NM;
- Quarterly Oklahoma Tribal Leadership and Advocate Summit in Oklahoma City, OK;
- Quarterly Outreach Meeting in Fort Duchesne, UT;
- Quarterly Outreach Meeting with the Paiute Tribe in Cedar City, UT;
- Rapid City IHS Training Event in Rapid City, SD;
- Regional American Indian and Alaska Native Partnership Meeting in Owings Mills, MD;
- Retirement Planning Seminar in Hogansburg, NY;
- Rosebud Pow Wow and IHS Health Fair in South Dakota;
- Sac and Fox Elders Conference in Oklahoma City, OK;
- Salt River Maricopa Indian Community Event in Scottsdale, AZ;
- Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community Housing Division Event in Phoenix, AZ;
- Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community Senior Services Event in Scottsdale, AZ;
- Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community Senior Services Event in Scottsdale, AZ;
- San Carlos Senior Center Event in San Carlos, AZ;
- San Francisco State University SKINS Pow Wow in San Francisco, CA;
- Santa Fe Indian School Employee Retirement Workshop in Santa Fe, NM;
- Service Delivery Fair in White Mesa, UT;
- South Carolina Native American Community Event in SC;
- South Dakota Department of Tribal Relations Meeting in SD;
- Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services Event in Milwaukee, WI;
- Southern California American Indian Resource Center Event in El Cajon, CA;
- Southern Ute and Ute Mountain Training Event in Bismarck, ND;
- Spring Pow Wow in Fremont, CA;
- State Tribal Relationship Rotunda Ceremony in Pierre, SD;
- Stone Mountain Park Native American Festival and Pow Wow in Stone Mountain, GA;
- Tama Inter-Tribal Pow Wow in Whigham, GA;
- Taos Benefit Coordinator Training Event in Taos, NM;

- Telehealth Workshop for Indian and Urban Indian Health Programs in Kansas City, MO;
- Three Affiliated Tribes Satellite Office Meeting in Bismarck, ND;
- To'haja'lee Reservation Social Worker Training in Santa Fe, NM;
- Tonto Apache Tribal Elders Meeting in Payson, AZ;
- Trading Moon Pow Wow in Sedalia, MO;
- Transition Information Fair in Alameda, CA;
- Tribal Advocate Social Security Training Event in Mt. Pleasant, MI;
- Tribal Consultation Meeting in Kansas City, MO;
- Tribal Income Maintenance Association Meeting in Green Bay, WI;
- Tribal Meeting in Ignacio, CO;
- Tribal Meetings with Pine Ridge IHS and OST Vocational Rehabilitation Office in Pine Ridge, SD;
- United American Indian Involvement Center Presentation in Los Angeles, CA;
- United Tribes Pow Wow in SD;
- University of Arizona Tribal Medicine Conference in Chandler, AZ;
- Utah Native Summit in Orem, UT;
- Ute Mountain Ute Resource Fair in White Mesa, UT;
- Wanblee Fair Pow Wow in Wanblee, SD;
- West Segment of Three Affiliated Tribes Meeting in Minot, ND;
- White Earth and Red Lake Tribal Outreach Events in White Earth, MN;
- White Earth Reservation Meeting in White Earth, MN;
- Wisdom Steps Conference in Onamia, MN;
- Women's Day Program at the Miccosukee Tribal Center in Miami, FL;
- Work Incentives Training Event in Albuquerque, NM; and,
- Yavapai Apache Nation Meeting in Camp Verde, AZ.

D. We also conducted outreach with tribal communities through various media platforms, such as publishing newspaper articles and participating in radio programs with:

- KPOO Radio Show 89.5 FM (San Francisco Downtown, CA);
- KIDE Hoopa Tribal Radio 91.3 FM (Hoopa, CA);
- KGUA Tribal Radio 88.3 FM (Gualala, AZ);
- KOPA Tribal Radio 91.3 FM (Pala, CA);
- KUYI Hopi Radio 88.1 FM (Kykotsmovi, AZ);
- KILI Radio 90.1 FM (Rapid City, SD);
- KYUK Radio 91.9 FM (Bethel, AK);
- Pala Band Tribal Radio Segment (Pala, CA);
- KATC-3 Radio, KLFY-10 Radio, KADN-15 Radio and KDCG Television Veterans' Corner Broadcast
- Native American Monthly Newsletter for New England Tribal Government Leaders, Tribal State Commissions and tribal community stakeholders (NE);
- South Dakota Department of Tribal Affairs Online Newsletter for tribal programs and state officials with over 5,000 hits (SD);
- Riverton Newspaper (Washakie, WY);
- Tribal Observer Newspaper (Mt. Pleasant, MI); and,

- Council Drum Newspaper (Grand Rapids, MI).

E. To raise awareness about our expedited disability claim initiatives for military service members and veterans, we conducted outreach at:

- All Military Services Seminar (Alameda, CA);
- Confederated Tribes of Umatilla Indians – Veterans and Elders Outreach (Pendleton, OR);
- Confederated Tribes of Umatilla Indians Meeting (Pendleton, OR);
- Homeless Veterans Stand Down Event (Dallas, TX);
- Inter-Tribal Veterans Stand Down Event (Oklahoma City, OK);
- Marion County Homeless Connect (Salem, OR);
- National Gathering of American Indian Veterans (Wheaton, IL);
- Native American Veteran’s Conference (Gallup, NM);
- Native American Veterans Conference (Rapid City, SD);
- Native American Veterans’ Pow Wow (Sidney, OH);
- Ohkay Owingeh Health Fair (Santa Fe, NM);
- Oklahoma Veterans Family Wellness Alliance (Oklahoma City, OK);
- Pine Ridge Outreach Meeting for Veteran Service Officers and Vocational Rehabilitation Center (Pine Ridge, SD);
- Project Homeless Connect (Kenai, AK);
- Sooner Stand Down Event (Oklahoma City, OK);
- Tribal Meetings with the Cheyenne River Veteran Service Officer, Director of Intergovernmental Affairs and IHS PBC (Eagle Butte, SD);
- Tribal Veteran Representative Training Conference (Grand Ronde, OR);
- Tribal Veteran Representative Training Conference (Grand Ronde, OR);
- Tribal Veteran Representative Training Conference (Salem, OR);
- Tribal Veterans Training Summit – Pacific District (Lewiston, ID);
- Veterans Affairs (VA) Compensated Work Therapy and Transitional Residence Vocational Rehabilitation (Moore, OK);
- VA Vocational Rehabilitation Event (Dallas, TX, Moore, OK, and Dallas, TX);
- Veterans Affairs Tribal Summit (Santa Fe, NM);
- Veterans at American Indian Institute (Oklahoma City, OK);
- Veterans Corner Event (Norman, OK);
- Veterans Stand Down (Anchorage, AK, Salem, OR, Lyons, OR, and Lincoln City, OR);
- Veterans Stand Down Event (El Paso, TX, St. Paul, MN and Albuquerque, NM);
- Veterans Town Hall and Collaborative Presentation (San Francisco, CA); and,
- Women Veteran’s Expo (Santa Fe, NM).

F. In support of our continued outreach to Indian tribes, we share information about our programs, service delivery changes and respond to customer service inquiries at meetings. Since our last report, we met with:

- Aleutian Pribilof Islands Association (Anchorage, AK);

- American Indian Family Resource Center (Chicago, IL);
- American Indian Health and Family Services (Detroit, MI);
- American Indian Health Center (Chicago, IL);
- American Indian Services of Michigan (Lincoln Park, MI);
- Bad River Tribal Council (Bad River Reservation, MN);
- Bay Mills Indian Community (Brimley, MI);
- Beaver Creek Indians (Columbia, SC);
- Bering Straits Native Corporation (Anchorage, AK);
- Bethel Native Corporation (Bethel, AK);
- Bristol Bay Native Corporation (Anchorage, AK);
- Catawba Indian Nation (Columbia, SC);
- Chugach Alaska Corporation (Anchorage, AK);
- Chugachmiut Tribe (Anchorage, AK);
- Confederated Tribe of Warm Springs Indians (Warm Springs, OR);
- Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde (Salem, OR);
- Cook Inlet Tribal Council (Anchorage, AK);
- Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Indians (Roseburg, OR);
- Creek Tribe (Columbia, SC);
- Crow Reservation (Crow Reservation, MT);
- Eastern Aleutian Tribe (Anchorage, AK);
- Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (Cherokee, NC);
- Eklutna Native Village (Anchorage, AK);
- Elders of the Puyallup Tribe (Puyallup, WA);
- Forest County Potawatomi Community (MN);
- Forest County Potawatomi Executive Council (Bois Forte Band of Chippewa, MN);
- Ho-Chunk Social Service Center (Black River Falls, WI);
- Homana Pawiki Tribal Government (Santa Fe, NM);
- Kenaitze Indian Tribe (Anchorage, AK);
- Klamath Tribal Leadership (Coquille, OR);
- Lac Courte Oreilles Tribal Governing Board (Lac Courte Oreilles Reservation, MN);
- Lac Du Flambeau Tribal Council (Lac Du Flambeau Reservation, MN);
- Lumbee Tribal Council (Pembroke, NC);
- Menominee Tribe (Menominee Reservation, MN);
- Minneapolis American Indian Community (MN);
- Native Village of Afognak Tribe (Kodiak, AK);
- Native Village of Eklutna (Eklutna, AK);
- Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi (Fulton, MI);
- Oglala Sioux Tribe (Pine Ridge, SD);
- Orutsaramiut Native Council (Bethel, AK);
- Pee Dee Indian Tribe (Columbia, SC);
- Pee Dee Indian Tribe (SC)
- Pee Dee Nation of Upper South Carolina (Bennettsville, SC);
- Poarch Band of Creek Indians (Montgomery, AL);
- Pueblo of San Felipe (Pueblo of San Felipe, NM);

- Red Cliff Tribal Council (Red Cliff Reservation, MN);
- San Ildefonso Pueblo Governor (San Ildefonso Pueblo, NM);
- Santee Indian Organization (Columbia, SC);
- Sault Ste Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians (Sault Ste Marie, MI);
- Seneca Nation of New York (Salamanca, NY);
- Sokaogon Chippewa Tribal Council (Sokaogon Chippewa Community, MN);
- South Eastern Michigan Indians, Inc. (Centerline, MI);
- St. Croix Council (St. Croix Reservation, MN);
- St. Regis Mohawk Tribe (Akwesasne, NY);
- Sun’aq Tribe of Kodiak (Kodiak, AK);
- Tatitlek Corporation (Anchorage, AK);
- Waccamaw Indian People (Columbia, SC);
- White Earth Reservation (White Earth Reservation, MN);
- Wind River Reservation (Wind River Reservation, WY); and,
- Yukon Kuskokwim Health Corporation (Bethel, AK).