

**RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY
OF THE
THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES
OF THE
FORT BERTHOLD INDIAN RESERVATION**

- WHEREAS,** This nation having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, and the authority under said Act; and
- WHEREAS,** This Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes generally authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to engage in activities on behalf of the Tribes and of the enrolled members thereof; and
- WHEREAS,** The purpose of the Youthbuild program is to provide economically disadvantaged tribal youth with education and employment skills through opportunities for meaningful work in the reservation community by helping to meet the housing needs of homeless individuals and members of low- and very low-income families. The program is designed to provide both on-site housing construction and rehabilitation work experience and off-site academic classes, job skills training, leadership development and supportive services for young adults, primarily high school dropouts. In addition to benefiting the young Indian participants, the program will also increase the supply of permanent affordable housing for the homeless and low- and very-low income tribal families; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Business Council is fully committed to this partnership effort with the Fort Berthold Housing Authority in meeting the proposed goals and milestones of the YouthBuild Fort Berthold Program 1997 HUD Grant Application as outlined in the attached Memorandum of Agreement; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Business Council will commit cash and program resources to support this HUD welfare-to-work training initiative that will include our cash contribution of Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$90,000.) from the Three Affiliated Tribe's trust funds Docket 350-G Capital (Business) Development Funds for assisting Youthbuild participants in starting microenterprises and small businesses; and
- WHEREAS,** the Tribal Business Council recognizes the limited opportunity for private or public cash contributions owed to the high rate of social poverty and the rural, isolated nature of the reservation community and the problem of capital availability or access to it is the biggest problem facing new tribal entrepreneurs to get their ventures started and that the YouthBuild Fort Berthold participants are considered a priority group for jobs generated by construction activities funded, in whole or in part, with HUD Assistance 24 CFR 135.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** in recognition of the need to make this welfare-to-work a resounding success; it is part of the Three Affiliated Tribes broad-based strategy to help young Indian adults prepare themselves for gainful employment while delivering much-needed affordable housing to our reservation community and starting business enterprises by the graduates of the Youthbuild Program.

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A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

This Memorandum of Agreement between the **Three Affiliated Tribes** and Fort Berthold Housing Authority's **YouthBuild Fort Berthold** will continue for thirty (30) months from the date of receipt of funds for the Youthbuild program from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

WHEREAS, the need to increase the self-sufficiency of the Three Affiliated Tribes has been well-documented; and

WHEREAS, after a period of joint planning the Three Affiliated Tribes is committed to participate with Fort Berthold Housing Authority's YouthBuild Fort Berthold, as its partner agency with a firm commitment to provide both funding and services for the entire thirty (30) month grant period by a formal Memorandum of Agreement (MOA); and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Business Council has agreed in Resolution No. 96-204-DSB to set aside THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$30,000.00) for Fiscal Years 1997, 1998 and 1999 for a total of NINETY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$90,000.00) from the Tribal 350-G Capital (Business) Development Fund for assisting YouthBuild participants and other welfare-to-work training participants for the purpose of economic assistance in starting microenterprises and small businesses who successfully complete the requirements of their Youthbuild and Family Independence entrepreneurial training.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Tribal government and the YouthBuild Fort Berthold program agree to the stipulation and principle that the two partners will work closely together during the next thirty (30) month training period to be an important part of the reservation-wide strategies which address welfare dependency and the need for affordable housing. YouthBuild Fort Berthold will offer employment training and education for the young people. The tribal government will support and be part of this broad-based strategy to help local tribal citizens and the local tribal communities rekindle hope by creating jobs and opportunity; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Three Affiliated Tribes has committed cash, goods and services as program resources needed by the YouthBuild Fort Berthold participants to increase their opportunity to move from welfare to work and chance to make their own way in life. These tribal program resources and agencies include tribally chartered non-profit institutions, tribally chartered for-profit enterprises, and other program and agencies, listed below:

Fort Berthold Community College: The tribal college will provide classroom and faculty space to assist Youthbuild participants to receive training in carpentry/construction trades; leadership development; General Equivalency Diploma (GED), and other educational services provided by the tribal college.

Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA): The Tribal JTPA program will provide support services, college training tuition, fees for Youthbuild graduate candidates, in increments for each of the three training cycles proposed.

Four Bear Day Care Center: The day care center will donate quality child care opportunities to all eligible Youthbuild participants with children to participate in all aspects of the program.

Circle of Life: The Circle of Life will donate to a minimum of fifty (50) Youthbuild participants in the new funding period the program's complete initial assessment with caseworker's recommendation, individual counseling services, educational group lectures, day treatment and in-patient treatment.

Three Affiliated Tribes Adult Basic and Secondary Education Program: This program will commit to assisting the Youthbuild participants with community-based instructors, teaching materials and reservation-based testing services in the newly proposed funding period.

Fort Berthold District Court: The Tribal Judge, tribal attorneys, and paralegal staff will provide Youthbuild participants with the skills to build a strong foundation for positive involvement in the local tribal communities issues by offering legal training sessions.

Minne-Tohe Tribal Health Center: Will provide clinical services including free physical examinations, eye glasses, dental and other supportive health care services as needed. On a regular basis the Center will also invite Youthbuild to participate in free mental health in-service training for the participants and staff. No letter of commitment is necessary. Services are free.

Three Tribes Center for Business and Community Development: The Center will provide technical assistance in a variety of ways to educate the new participants in the economic opportunities available to them in the business world.

4-Bears Casino & Lodge: The Casino will donate use of the meeting facility for Youthbuild activities such as graduation, orientation, workshops, etc. during the training program period.

BIA Law Enforcement Services: The Bureau of Indian Affairs law enforcement personnel will work in support of community service projects with the Youthbuild participants.

Fort Berthold Public Reservation Library: The reservation public library will provide technical assistance training to Youthbuild participants that will increase in value the library's services available to the participants.

Like-a-FishHook Village Resident Consortium: The consortium will provide a series of professional training services in contracting opportunities, community organizing, leadership, fundraising strategies, economic and job development to the Youthbuild participants.

Fort Berthold Development Corporation (FBDC): Will provide a work space in the corporation's main street lumber yard location for Youthbuild participants to develop and work on specific community service projects.

Four Bears Community Development Office: The Four Bears community will provide a classroom base for Youthbuild participants from Four Bears village to take evening GED classes in the community center.

Tribal Fish and Wildlife Program: The tribes' game wardens will provide technical training to the Youthbuild participants on survival training skills, recreation and other outdoor activities.

Tribal Education Department: The Education Department will provide technical training and assistance to the Youthbuild participants on higher education opportunities.


Fort Berthold Reservation Public Library: The library will provide technical training on the library services available to the Youthbuild participants.

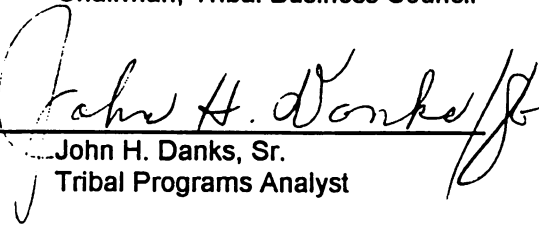
Other Stipulations:

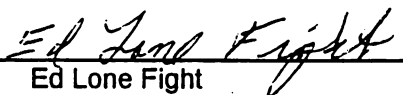
1. That the Fort Berthold Housing Authority's Youthbuild program will administer these federal funds received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Offices of Community Development and Planning and Economic Development, Youthbuild Program.
2. That the Fort Berthold Housing Authority will administer the micro-loan fund for assisting YouthBuild participants and graduates under a policy acceptable to the Board of Commissioners of said authority.
3. That the Fort Berthold Housing Authority has established standards and procedures that are acceptable fiscal accounting procedures under Tribal, Federal and other standards.
4. That the Fort Berthold Housing Authority will to maximum extent possible manage these tribal program resources in a prudent and cost-efficient manner.
5. That the Fort Berthold Housing Authority will provide on an annual basis two (2) semi-annual reports and one (1) final report to all parties involved in this agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have signed this agreement as follows:

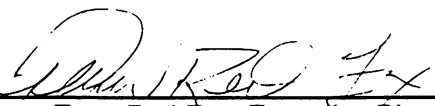
THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES

By  Date: 6/17/97
 Russell D. Mason, Sr.
 Chairman, Tribal Business Council

By  Date: 6/17/97
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By  Date: 6/17/97
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FORT BERTHOLD HOUSING AUTHORITY

By  Date: 6/17/97
 Terry Red Fox, Executive Director
 Fort Bethold Housing Authority

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Resolution #97-144-DSB

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of 7 members whom 5 constitute a quorum, 7 were present at a Special Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened, and held on the 17th day of June, 1997; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of 7 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, 0 not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Dated this 17th day of June, 1997.

Daylon Spotted Bear
Secretary, Tribal Business Council

ATTEST:



Chairman, Tribal Business Council