

The Cherokee Nation Education Services is submitting an application to the US Department of Health and Human Services for funding through the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) for Fiscal Year 2015.

The Cherokee Nation plan is described below:

Goal: Provide a summer program for middle school age students that will help them become more successful in school, start planning for college and a career.

Objectives:

1. The project will serve a maximum of six hundred (sixty at each site) students at ten school sites.
2. Forty certified teachers will be trained in the Strategies for Success curriculum. Four teachers will teach the curriculum at each site.
3. All forty teachers trained in the curriculum will evidence teaching skill in the curriculum through on site evaluation.

Goal: Provide support for the Cherokee Teacher Enrichment (CTE) and Cherokee Language Methods for Teachers (CLMT) programs.

Objectives:

1. Insure that supplemental resources needed for the CTE and CLMT program participants are provided for successful completion of each program.

The Cherokee Teacher Enrichment (CTE) program prepares certified public school teachers and paraprofessionals to teach the language, history, and culture of the Cherokee people within their school districts. Training incorporates Cherokee core studies (language, history, culture), partnership with an area school and mentor teacher for a practicum, and preparation of a CTE portfolio of lesson plans and enrichment activities.

The Cherokee Language Methods for Teachers (CLMT) prepares certified public school teachers and paraprofessionals with strategies for incorporating and teaching Cherokee language courses within local public schools. The training incorporates study of the Cherokee syllabary, basic sight words, common phrases, syntax and enrichment activities.

The Cherokee Nation invites citizens and other interested parties to review and comment on the 2015 plan.

Comments can be sent via one of these methods by Thursday, August 28th by 12pm.

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