



**Proposition 202 Tribal Gaming  
Application Sponsorship/Support Form  
Requesting Pinal County serve as the Fiscal Agent/Pass Through Entity**

**Name of the Tribal Community:** Ak-Chin Indian Community Grants

**Due date of the application to the Tribal community:** 7 July 2023

The following information will be used by Pinal County to 1) send the resolution and grant documents for the applicant to submit to the Tribal community, 2) send the funds, if awarded.

**Name of the Non-profit:** San Tan Valley Veteran Center LLC

**Contact person/title:** John Meyer, Director

**Email address:** stv.veteranscenter@gmail.com

**Address:** 5764 East Hunt Highway Florence, Arizona 85132

**Project name:** Veterans Service Officer Building

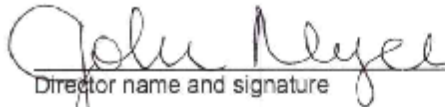
**Amount being requested:** \$40,000

**Project summary:** San Tan Valley Veteran Center is seeking proposals for a portable building in order to assist local veterans with benefits. The proposed building will be located at the current San Tan Valley Veteran Center at 5764 East Hunt Highway, Florence, Arizona. The current facility is in a state of significant disrepair and is in dire need of replacement. A 14x36 portable building could serve as an office space for our non-profit organization, providing a dedicated area for staff to work and meet with clients. The building could be configured with desks, chairs, and other office furniture to create a comfortable and functional workspace.

**Beneficiaries:** Pinal County Military Veterans

**Supervisor District:** Jeffrey McClure

The undersigns hereby certifies they have read and comply with the responsibilities set forth in the PINAL COUNTY TRIBAL GAMING GRANT PROGRAM Request for fiscal agent/pass through support documentation.

  
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Director name and signature



# SAN TAN VALLEY VETERANS CENTER 2023 AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY GRANT PROPOSAL

John Meyer

SAN TAN VALLEY VETERANS CENTER 5764 E. Hunt Highway Florence, AZ



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## 2023 AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATION COVER SHEET

Name of Applicant: <u>San Tan Valley Veterans Center</u>		Applicant is a: <input type="checkbox"/> City/Town/County (circle) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>Non-Profit</u>	
Mayor/Supervisor/Chairman/President: <u>John Meyer</u>			
Contact Person and Title: <u>John Meyer, Director</u>			
Applicant Address (administrative office): <u>5764 East Hunt Highway</u>			
City: <u>Florence</u>		Zip Code: <u>85132</u>	
Applicant Mailing Address (if different):			
City:		Zip Code:	
Phone Number: <u>520.759.7009</u>		Fax Number: <u>n/a</u>	
E-mail Address: <u>stv.veteranscenter@gmail.com</u>			
Fiscal Agent for any Applicant that is not a City, Town, or County ( <i>Special Taxing Districts/Fire Districts must have a Fiscal Agent</i> )			
Contact Person: <u>Heather Patel, Grants Administrator</u>			
City/Town/County Mailing Address: <u>P.O. Box 1348</u>			
City: <u>Florence</u>		Zip Code: <u>85132</u>	
Phone Number: <u>520-866-6422</u>		Fax Number: <u>n/a</u>	
E-mail Address: <u>heather.patel@pinal.gov</u>			

Program or Project Name: <u>VSO Stand Alone Office</u>	
Purpose (Check all that apply) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> education <input type="checkbox"/> public safety <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> health <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> environment <input type="checkbox"/> promotion of commerce <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> economic and community development	
Purpose of Grant (brief statement): <u>San Tan Valley Veterans Center is seeking proposals for a portable building in order to assist local veterans with benefits. The proposed building will be located at the San Tan Valley Veteran Center at 5764 East Hunt Highway, Florence, Arizona. The current facility is inadequate to provide adequate privacy and accommodations to serve the Veterans' needs.</u>	
Beginning and Ending Date of Program or Project: <u>September 1, 2023 – January 1, 2024</u>	
Amount Requested: <u>\$40,000</u>	Total Cost: <u>\$39,680.00</u>
Geographic Area Served: <u>San Tan Valley, Florence, Coolidge, and Queen Creek areas</u>	

By the execution of this Grant Application the undersigned agrees that the information contained in this Application is true and correct to the best of the Applicant's knowledge. The Applicant shall notify the Community if any information in this Application changes.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
For the Applicant: John A. Meyer Date: 5/16/2023

Typed/Printed Name and Title: John Meyer, Director

For the Fiscal Agent: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(If applicable)

Typed/Printed Name and Title: \_\_\_\_\_

## PURPOSE OF GRANT

San Tan Valley Veteran Center is seeking proposals for a portable building in order to assist local veterans with benefits. The proposed building will be located at the current San Tan Valley Veteran Center at 5764 East Hunt Highway, Florence, Arizona. The current facility is in a state of significant disrepair and is in dire need of replacement.

A 14x36 portable building could serve as an office space for our non-profit organization, providing a dedicated area for staff to work and meet with clients. The building could be configured with desks, chairs, and other office furniture to create a comfortable and functional workspace.

Overall, a 14x36 portable building can be a flexible and versatile asset for a non-profit organization, providing additional space and resources to support their programs and services.

Private offices for veterans' service officers can indeed play a valuable role in providing support and assistance to veterans.

Private offices can provide more personalized and one-on-one assistance to veterans. They can take the time to understand each veteran's unique needs, guide them through the application process, and advocate on their behalf. This individualized approach can enhance the quality of support provided.

Having a private office for veterans service officers can be important for maintaining confidentiality and adhering to HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act) regulations. HIPAA is a U.S. federal law that protects the privacy and security of individuals' health information.

A private office provides a controlled environment where veterans can discuss sensitive health-related information with service officers without the risk of unauthorized access or disclosure. By ensuring privacy, veterans can feel more comfortable sharing their medical history, treatment details, and other personal information relevant to their needs.

Additionally, a private office can help service officers securely store veterans' records and maintain the confidentiality of their information. It reduces the chances of accidental exposure or unauthorized viewing of sensitive documents.

By complying with HIPAA regulations and creating a private office space, veterans service officers can demonstrate their commitment to safeguarding veterans' protected health information and maintaining their privacy rights. This can contribute to building trust between veterans and service officers, fostering a supportive and confidential environment for veterans seeking assistance.

The current landlord EPCOR stands in support of this construction effort to provide a safe, effective, efficient facility for Veterans Service Officers personnel to use as their base of operations.

## Target Population

San Tan Valley is an unincorporated community located in Arizona. With a 2023 population of 105,465, it is the 11th largest city in Arizona and the 327th largest city in the United States. San Tan Valley is currently growing at a rate of 1.79% annually and its population has increased by 5.58% since the most recent census, which recorded a population of 99,894 in 2020. Spanning over 37 miles, San Tan Valley has a population density of 2,876 people per square mile.

Within the San Tan Valley area which has approximately 6,553 Veterans living in the area. The Florence area has approximately 2,418 Veterans. Coolidge area has approximately 1,147 and Queen Creek has 3,101. These figures are based on the 2020 US Census.

## Project Goals

Veteran Service Officers (VSOs) are trained professionals who work on behalf of veterans to help them access the benefits and services they have earned through their military service. These benefits may include disability compensation, education and training, healthcare, and more.

VSOs are employed by various organizations, including federal, state, and local governments, as well as nonprofit organizations such as veterans service organizations (VSOs). They are trained to provide guidance and support to veterans and their families, helping them to navigate the often complex and confusing process of applying for and receiving benefits.

## Goals and Objectives

There are two major goals for the Veterans Service Officers (VSO) Project and specific objectives within each of the goals.

### **Goal #1 - Stand Alone Structure**

Objective #1.1 - To provide a safe area to assist veterans with their Veterans Affairs (VA) claims.

Objective #1.2 - Through a comprehensive approach of outreach, events, and programs, we're promoting long-term wellness and sustainable growth.

Objective #1.3 – Provide assistance to anyone connected to service members and veterans, including immediate and extended family members.

Objective # 1.4- Offer free of charge to anyone seeking assistance with any VA claims process.

**Goal #2 - Provides Veteran Service Officers (VSOs) who can assist Veterans with accessing VA benefits and services. VSOs are trained professionals who can help Veterans understand their eligibility for VA benefits and assist with the application process.**

Objective #2.1 If a Veteran is unable to visit a VA facility in person due to the long distance, there are several options for accessing VSO assistance:

Objective #2.2 Online Assistance: Many VSOs provide online assistance to Veterans. This can include assistance with filling out VA forms, answering questions about benefits, and helping with appeals.

Objective #2.3 Telephone Assistance: VSOs may also provide telephone assistance to Veterans who are unable to visit a VA facility in person. This can include answering questions, providing information about benefits, and assisting with the application process.

Objective #2.3 Local Resources: Veterans may also be able to access VSO assistance through local resources, such as Veterans Service Organizations (VSOs) or county Veteran service offices. These local resources may have trained VSOs who can provide assistance in person or through other means.

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## RESOURCES

### Funding

The building itself will be a one-time purchase. Additionally, community organizations, private foundations, and other non-profit organizations may also provide funding or support for veterans' service officers. These organizations recognize the important role that service officers play in supporting veterans and may be willing to provide funding or other resources to help ensure that these services continue to be available.

### Partner

The American Legion is a national organization dedicated to supporting veterans and their families and partnering with them can provide a range of benefits for a non-profit organization.

Overall, partnering with the American Legion can provide a range of benefits for a non-profit organization, including access to resources, visibility, and promotion, collaboration opportunities, support for veterans, and advocacy.

The American Legion is a well-established organization with a long history of supporting veterans and their families, and partnering with them can help raise awareness about your organization's mission and services.

### New Project

It is important to recognize that while a new building may provide a more modern and updated space for Veterans Service Officers (VSOs) to work in, the services they provide are not new and have been critical to supporting veterans for many years.

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## REPORTS

We will provide monthly reports that include receipts and invoices of all work done to ensure progress is being made and the associated costs. We will establish a strong level of transparency and accountability for the work, build trust and enhance our reputation as a reliable and trustworthy cause.

The reports will provide a summary of the progress made during the reporting period, as well as any issues or challenges that were encountered. They should also include a detailed breakdown of the work that was completed, along with the associated costs, including receipts and invoices.

Periodic photographs of the progress in the monthly reports will provide visual evidence of the work that has been completed and showcase the progress that has been made.

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## BUDGET

There are several potential justifications for a new building for Veterans Service Officers (VSOs), including:

**Increased demand for services:** As the number of veterans in the United States continues to grow, so does the demand for VSO services. A new building may be necessary to accommodate this increased demand and provide enough space for VSOs to work effectively and efficiently.

**Modernization and upgrades:** An older building may not have the necessary infrastructure, technology, or amenities to support modern VSO services. A new building could provide state-of-the-art technology, updated facilities, and other modern upgrades that could improve the quality and efficiency of services provided.

**Accessibility and convenience:** A new building could be designed to provide improved accessibility and convenience for veterans who need to access VSO services. This could include features such as ample parking, easy access to public transportation, and other amenities that make it easier for veterans to receive the support they need.

**Improved morale and productivity:** A new building can provide a more pleasant and comfortable environment for VSOs to work in, which can lead to improved morale and productivity. This, in turn, can improve the quality and effectiveness of services provided to veterans.

**Cost-effectiveness:** In some cases, a new building may actually be more cost-effective in the long run than continuing to maintain an older building that requires frequent repairs and updates. A new building can also be designed with energy-efficient features that can help to reduce operating costs over time.

Overall, a new building for VSOs can provide several potential benefits, including increased capacity, improved quality of services, better accessibility and convenience, improved morale and productivity, and potential cost savings. It is important to carefully evaluate these factors and determine whether a new building is the best option for meeting the unique needs and challenges of the veterans being served.

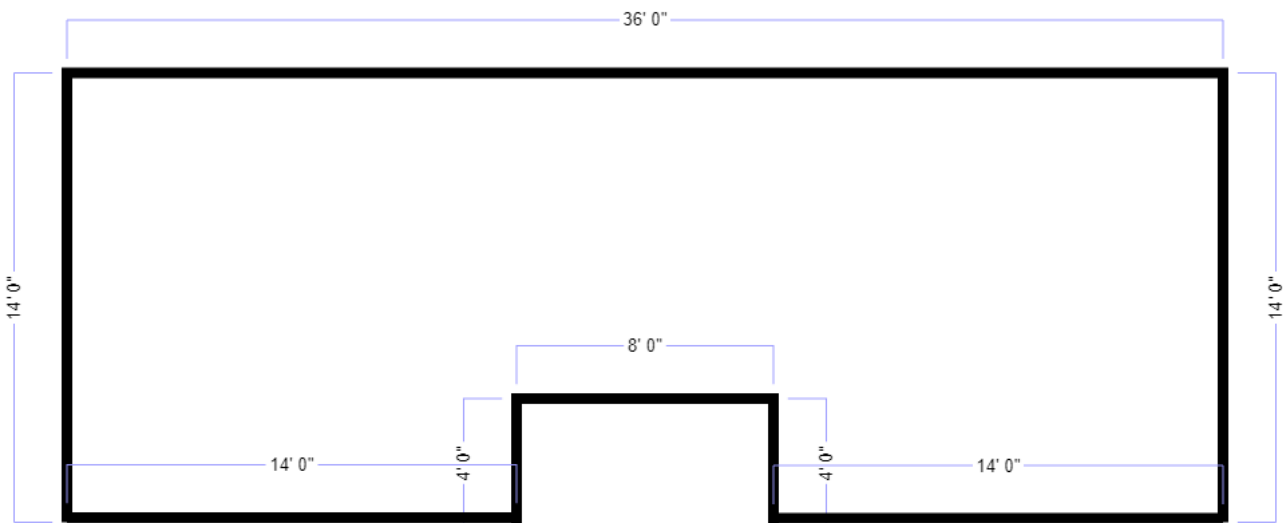
### Estimated Budget Breakdown

Portable Building	\$18,000.00
2 L-Shape Corner Desk	\$1,000.00
1 Computer Desk	\$200.00
3 Office Chairs Est	\$480.00
2 Lateral file cabinet	\$400.00
4 Lounge Chairs	\$600.00
3 Computers Est	\$1,800.00
2 Printers Est	\$600.00
3 Zone Split A/C Unit	\$2,600.00
Interior finishing	\$10,000.00
Site Landscaping / Site Prep	\$3,000.00
Electrical	\$1,000.00
Copier	\$320.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$40,000.00</b>

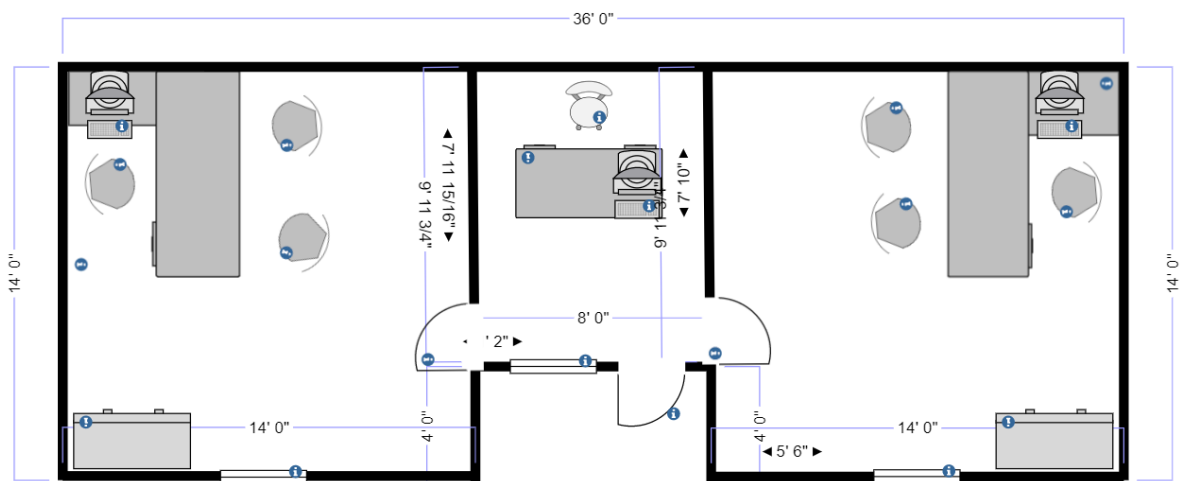
## APPENDIX A – PORTABLE BUILDING



14' x 36' Portable Building



2 Offices & Reception Area



## APPENDIX B – IRS



Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service  
Tax Exempt and Government Entities  
P.O. Box 2508  
Cincinnati, OH 45201

SAN TAN VALLEY VETERANS CENTER LLC  
5764 E HUNT HIGHWAY  
FLORENCE, AZ 85132

Date:  
09/10/2021  
Employer ID number:  
85-1007982  
Person to contact:  
Name: Regina Parker  
ID number: 31274  
Telephone: 877-829-5500  
Accounting period ending:  
December 31  
Public charity status:  
170(b)(1)(A)(vi)  
Form 990 / 990-EZ / 990-N required:  
Yes  
Effective date of exemption:  
May 14, 2020  
Contribution deductibility:  
Yes  
Addendum applies:  
No  
DLN:  
26053420003741

Dear Applicant:

We're pleased to tell you we determined you're exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3). Donors can deduct contributions they make to you under IRC Section 170. You're also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under Section 2055, 2106, or 2522. This letter could help resolve questions on your exempt status. Please keep it for your records.

Organizations exempt under IRC Section 501(c)(3) are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined you're a public charity under the IRC Section listed at the top of this letter.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that you're required to file Form 990/990-EZ/990-N, our records show you're required to file an annual information return (Form 990 or Form 990-EZ) or electronic notice (Form 990-N, the e-Postcard). If you don't file a required return or notice for three consecutive years, your exempt status will be automatically revoked.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

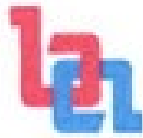
For important information about your responsibilities as a tax-exempt organization, go to [www.irs.gov/charities](http://www.irs.gov/charities). Enter "4221-PC" in the search bar to view Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, which describes your recordkeeping, reporting, and disclosure requirements.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stephen A. Martin".

Stephen A. Martin  
Director, Exempt Organizations  
Rulings and Agreements

## APPENDIX B – Proof of Insurance



INSURANCE SOLUTION

AMERICAN FAMILY BROKERAGE, INC.  
8000 AMERICAN PRIDE  
MADISON, WI 53783  
Phone: (888) 242-4100  
Fax: (888) 254-2164

To: TYLER SCHRAUFNAGEL

**\* BINDER \***

09/16/2022

Attn:

From: NewBiz Submissions  
ba\_newbizsubmissions@amfam.com

Renewal Of: NEW

Insured: SAN TAN VALLEY VETERAN CENTER

Mailing: 5764 E HUNT HWY  
Address: FLORENCE, AZ 85132

NOTE: This policy will be billed by the Company in 3 installments. Do not bill or collect the down payment.  
Next year's renewal is set up to be Direct Billed.

Thank you for your order to bind. We appreciate your business! We have bound the below coverage. Policy to Follow Shortly

### POLICY INFORMATION

NON-PROFIT PACKAGE POLICY	
Policy Number:	NPP1614064
Policy Period:	09/01/2022 to 09/01/2023
Carrier:	United States Liability Insurance Company
Status:	Admitted
A.M. Best Rating:	A++ (Superior) - XII
COVERAGE PART	PREMIUM
Commercial Liability	\$891.00
Each Occurrence Limit	\$1,000,000
Personal & Advertising Injury Limit (Any One Person/Organization)	\$1,000,000
Medical Expenses (Any One Person)	\$5,000
Damages To Premises Rented To You (Any One Premises)	\$100,000
Products/Completed Operations Aggregate Limit	Included
General Aggregate Limit	\$2,000,000
Professional E&O Liability Each Incident	\$1,000,000
Professional E&O Liability Aggregate	\$2,000,000
<b>POLICY PREMIUM</b> (This premium may be subject to adjustment.)	<b>\$891.00</b>

### COVERED LOCATION(S)

1 - 5764 E Hunt Hwy, Florence, AZ 85132

### APPLICABLE FORMS & ENDORSEMENTS

The following forms apply to the Commercial Liability coverage part:

CS6660 1/3/07	Commercial General Liability Coverage Form	CS2100 05/14	Exclusion - Access Or Disclosure Of Confidential Or Personal Information And Data-Related Liability
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Please contact us with any questions regarding the terminology used or the coverages provided.

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CG2139 10/93	Contractual Liability Limitation	CG2147 12/07	- Limited Bodily Injury Exception Not Included
CG2173 01/15	Exclusion Of Certified Acts Of Terrorism	IL0017 11/98	Employment-Related Practices Exclusion
IL0021 09/08	Nuclear Energy Liability Exclusion Endorsement	IL0258 04/01	Common Policy Conditions
JACKET AZ 07-19	Policy Jacket	L-224 10/10	Arizona Changes - Cancellation and Nonrenewal
L-333a 09/05	Classification Limitation Endorsement	L-549 12/97	Punitive Or Exemplary Damages/Exclusion
L-999 10/07	Absolute Exclusion For Pollution, Organic Pathogen, Silica, Asbestos And Lead With A Hostile Fire Exception	L-610 11/04	Absolute Professional Liability Exclusion
L-622 07/08	Abuse Or Molestation Exclusion	L-726 07/09	Expanded Definition Of Bodily Injury
L-726GG 07/09	Limits Of Insurance Under Multiple Coverage Forms	L-739 08/09	Community Center Activity Exclusion
L-734NPP 10/16	Exclusion-Specific Activities, Events or Conditions	L-760NPP 07/19	Exclusion - Violation Of Statute That Goum E-Mails, Fax, Phone Calls Or Other Methods Of Sending Material Or Information
LLQ100 07/08	Amendatory Endorsement	LLQ368 08/10	Amendment of Liquor Liability Exclusion
SSO 12/09	Social Service Organization Professional Liability Coverage Form	TRIADN 12/05	Separation Of Insureds Clarification Endorsement
			Disclosure Notice of Terrorism Insurance Coverage