



PINAL COUNTY

WIDE OPEN OPPORTUNITY

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

Name of the Tribal Community: *Gila River*

Due date of the application to the Tribal community: *March 31, 2025*

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: *Woman 2 Woman Resources, Inc.*

Contact person/title: *Renana Patrick - Executive Director*

Email address: *rpatrick@w2wresources.org*

Address: *P.O. Box 127 Arizona City, AZ 85123*

Project name: *I Am You Academy*

Amount being requested: *\$500,000.00*

Project summary: *Transitional Housing and supportive services for women and their children, especially transitional youth.*

Beneficiaries: *Transitional youth and women and their children*

Supervisor District:

District 3

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.

Director name and signature



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

WOMAN 2 WOMAN RESOURCES INC
PO BOX 127
ARIZONA CITY, AZ 85123

Date:
02/03/2022
Employer ID number:
87-1050324
Person to contact:
Name: Customer Services
ID number: 31954
Telephone: (877) 829-5500
Accounting period ending:
December 31
Public charity status:
509(a)(2)
Form 990 / 990-EZ / 990-N required:
Yes
Effective date of exemption:
May 14, 2021
Contribution deductibility:
Yes
Addendum applies:
No
DLN:
26053607001801

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.

This supersedes our letter dated October 25, 2021, which we issued with an incorrect Employer Identification Number (EIN). You should use the EIN 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. 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



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Cover Sheet

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Municipality Information	
1. Date of Application: 2/15/25	
2. Name of City, Town or County: Pinal County	
3. Mayor (City or Town) or Board of Supervisor's Chairman (County): Stephen Q. Miller	
4. Mailing Address: P O Box 1348	
5. City: Casa Grande	State: Arizona
Zip Code: 85122	
6. Acknowledgement of Submission by Authorized Municipality Representative:	
Typed Name/Title: Heather Patel, Grants Manager	
Email Address: heather.patel@pinal.gov Signature:	
Applicant Information	
7. Department/Organization Name: Woman 2 Woman Resources, Inc.	
8. Select Organization Type: 501c3 Non-Profit If Non-profit please attach IRS Determination Letter	
9. Application Contact Person: Renana Patrick Title: Executive Director	
10. Phone Number: (520)705-4918	
11. Mailing Address: P O Box 127	
12. City: Arizona City	State: Arizona
Zip Code: 85123	
13. Email Address: rpatrik@w2wresources.org Website Address: w2wresources.org	
Project Information	
14. Project Title: I Am You Academy	
15. Purpose of Grant: I Am You Academy is an empowerment program for marginalized women that promotes a healthy lifestyle, physically, mentally and spiritually and to equip them with the necessary skills and access to resources that will sustain them beyond their current circumstances. Monthly empowerment sessions build upon self-esteem, self worth, encourage good decision making, career and academic achievement, health education, positive relationships with family and the greater community of Pinal County.	
16. Priority Funding Area	Healthcare
17. Annual amount requested	\$500000
18. Number of years that funding is requested	1
19. Total amount requested (annual amount x number of years)	\$500000

For Office Use Only:		
Data Entry	Receipt	Evaluation
☐ Approval – Amount/Term		☐ Denial



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20. Has your organization received past funding from GRIC? If yes, list each year and amount	No
21. Geographic area served	Pinal County



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Narrative

Please structure your proposal to provide the following information in the order indicated. Provide the narrative in paragraph form in the text field provided. Please be thorough but strive for brevity.

1. Briefly describe your organization's history, mission and goals.

Woman 2 Woman Resources (W2WR), a 501(c)3 non-profit, is a community-based family service center committed to improving the health and well-being of underserved women and their families in Pinal County, Arizona. Founded in 2019, our core vision for women's wellness is where passion and compassion intersect to connect women to the tools and services that move them toward physical, mental, and economic health.

We recognize that stable housing is essential to overall well-being, which is why our services now include transitional housing to support women and families as they work toward self-sufficiency. By providing safe, temporary housing and access to critical resources, we empower women to rebuild their lives with dignity and stability.

We know that physical, mental, emotional, and financial health forms the foundation for full and productive lives, where individuals can thrive and not merely survive. Our programs, incredible staff, volunteers, and a network of partners and service providers address these areas with excellence. We believe in the promise of the individuals we serve, and our primary mission remains clear: as their health, stability, and overall wellness improve, families and communities grow stronger.

2. To determine eligibility for this grant please select one item in the drop-down below.

If Municipal, please go to number 3 below.

If Non-Municipal or Non-profit, please describe how the services provided by your organization align with a government service of the supporting municipality. Explain how this project will support that service and describe the municipality's role in the project if applicable (beyond serving as a pass-through).

W2WR delivers impactful services aligned with key funding priorities, including economic development, education, and healthcare. These services align with the Gila River Indian Community's (GRIC) government initiatives that focus on community wellness, self-sufficiency, and economic empowerment. W2WR supports GRIC's mission by providing financial literacy, workforce readiness, and health education programs that complement existing tribal services.

Gila River can further support W2WR by providing referrals for essential services and housing, as well as culturally competent workshops tailored for Native Americans. This collaboration ensures that individuals receive holistic support that is both effective and culturally relevant, strengthening community well-being and self-sustainability.



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3. Describe the proposed project, objectives, and your plan to implement.

Proposed Project:

Woman 2 Woman Resources (W2WR) seeks to expand its comprehensive empowerment services by integrating transitional housing into its existing I Am You Academy program. This project will provide safe, stable, and temporary housing for women and their families in Pinal County, Arizona, who are facing housing insecurity while working toward self-sufficiency, especially transition aged youth. Alongside transitional housing, the program will continue to offer holistic support services, including health education, financial literacy, employment readiness, peer mentorship, and case management, ensuring that participants receive the resources needed to achieve long-term stability and well-being.

Objectives:

1. Provide Safe Transitional Housing – Establish a supportive living environment for underserved women and families facing homelessness or unstable housing situations.
2. Promote Economic Stability – Offer financial literacy workshops, job training, and access to employment resources to help women achieve self-sufficiency.
3. Enhance Physical and Mental Health – Deliver health education programs on topics such as breast health, diabetes prevention, mental health, and postpartum care, ensuring women have access to necessary healthcare services.
4. Strengthen Personal Development – Facilitate self-esteem-building activities, life skills training, and peer-to-peer support to empower women to make positive, sustainable life choices.
5. Encourage Community Engagement – Connect participants with community partners, networking opportunities, and mentorship programs to foster long-term success.

Implementation Plan:

1. Establish Housing Facilities – Secure safe and affordable transitional housing units through partnerships with local housing authorities, landlords, and real estate organizations.
2. Develop Individualized Case Management Plans – Assess each participant's needs and create personalized support plans, integrating housing assistance, career development, and wellness initiatives.
3. Offer Wraparound Support Services – Provide ongoing career and educational counseling, monthly group meetings, health fairs, and physical fitness programs to promote overall well-being.
4. Strengthen Referral and Outreach Systems – Partner with Pinal County agencies, educational institutions, and community organizations to identify and support women in need, ensuring a steady intake of participants.
5. Monitor Progress and Provide Incentives – Track participants' achievements through regular assessments and provide financial and resource-based incentives to encourage program engagement and long-term success.

By incorporating transitional housing into I Am You Academy, W2WR will address a critical gap in services, ensuring that women have the stability and support needed to rebuild their lives, regain independence, and contribute to stronger families and communities.



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4. Describe how the proposed project satisfies one or more of the priority funding areas identified by the Gila River Indian Community.

The I Am You Academy Transitional Housing Project aligns with multiple priority funding areas identified by the Gila River Indian Community, including Healthcare, Economic Development, and Education. This comprehensive initiative supports underserved women and their families in Pinal County by addressing health disparities, financial stability, and educational advancement, empowering them to build healthier, self-sufficient lives.

How the Project Aligns with Priority Funding Areas:

1. Healthcare – Health Promotion, Disease Prevention, Mental & Behavioral Health, and Wellness Activities

- Provides health education and disease prevention workshops on topics such as breast health, diabetes prevention, environmental health, postpartum care, mental health, and substance abuse recovery.
- Incorporates mental health counseling, trauma-informed care, and peer support to address behavioral health challenges.
- Offers drug, alcohol, and tobacco cessation programs, connecting participants to treatment services and recovery support.
- Promotes physical wellness through monthly fitness classes, yoga, and nutrition education, helping participants improve their overall health and well-being.
- Connects women to primary healthcare providers, mobile health screenings, immunization clinics, and Medicaid/Medi-Cal enrollment assistance.
- Ensures safe and stable transitional housing, removing environmental health risks and providing clean, healthy living conditions.

2. Economic Development – Employment, Job Readiness, Economic Security, and Entrepreneurship

- Provides job readiness training, including resume building, interview preparation, and workplace skills development to help women secure employment.
- Partners with local businesses, government agencies, and workforce development programs to create job placement opportunities.
- Offers financial literacy workshops, including budgeting, credit repair, and money management, to help women achieve long-term economic stability.
- Supports entrepreneurial aspirations by providing small business development resources, mentorship, and access to microloan programs.
- Helps participants navigate career advancement pathways by connecting them with job certifications, vocational training, and higher education opportunities.



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- Encourages economic independence through access to financial resources, economic assistance programs, and networking opportunities.

3. Education – Student & Educator Support, Life-Long Learning, and Career Advancement

- Offers career and academic counseling to help participants pursue higher education, vocational training, and GED completion programs.
- Provides workshops on decision-making, goal setting, and leadership skills to enhance career and personal development.
- Facilitates tutoring and hands-on learning programs to build participants' knowledge in financial literacy, health education, and employment skills.
- Establishes partnerships with educational institutions, local schools, and workforce development programs to create a pipeline for continued learning and growth.
- Promotes life-long learning through mentorship, professional development, and skill-building workshops that prepare participants for sustained success.

Project Impact

By integrating healthcare, economic development, and education into I Am You Academy's Transitional Housing Project, Woman 2 Woman Resources (W2WR) will create a holistic support system that empowers women to achieve self-sufficiency, improve their health, secure employment, and further their education. This initiative not only transforms individual lives but also strengthens families and contributes to economic growth and community well-being throughout Pinal County and Arizona.

5. Identify the needs/problems to be addressed, the target population and number of people to be served by the project.

Needs/Problems to Be Addressed

The I Am You Academy Transitional Housing Project addresses housing instability, limited healthcare access, economic insecurity, and educational barriers affecting underserved women and families in Pinal County, Arizona. Many face homelessness, unemployment, chronic health issues, and a lack of career advancement opportunities, preventing them from achieving self-sufficiency.

Target Population & Number Served

This project will support:

- 50-75 women and families annually with transitional housing, case management, and wraparound services.



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- 200+ women (including those on probation) through job training, financial literacy, and career support.
- 300+ participants with health education, mental health counseling, and wellness programs.

By providing safe housing, employment support, healthcare access, and education, this initiative will empower women toward long-term stability and self-sufficiency.

6. Define the project as a new or continuing program. Has GRIC previously funded this project?

The Gila River Indian Community (GRIC) has not previously provided funding to W2WR. This project builds upon our ongoing program by expanding housing supportive services, ensuring that individuals and families receive comprehensive assistance tailored to their needs.

7. Provide a brief timeline including start and finish dates. Indicate if the timeline is flexible.

Project Timeline: March 2025 – March 2027 (This timeline is flexible as the planning has already begun)

Phase 1: Planning & Setup (March – August 2025)

- Finalize partnerships, secure funding, and establish a program framework.
- Identify and secure a transitional housing facility.
- Hire staff and recruit volunteers.
- Develop curriculum for job training, financial literacy, and wellness programs.

Phase 2: Program Launch (September 2025 – February 2026)

- Begin accepting and screening participants.
- Implement housing, healthcare, job readiness, and education services.
- Establish partnerships with local employers and educational institutions.
- Conduct initial health screenings, job placement, and skills training.

Phase 3: Full Implementation (March 2026 – December 2026)

- Expand outreach and increase participant enrollment.
- Monitor progress through case management and mentorship.
- Host monthly workshops, training sessions, and wellness activities.
- Track participant success in housing stability, employment, and education.



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Phase 4: Evaluation & Sustainability Planning (January – March 2027)

- Assess program outcomes and gather participant feedback.
- Compile impact reports for stakeholders and funding partners.
- Develop strategies for program sustainability and expansion

8. Identify other organizations, partners or funders participating in the project and their roles.

Project Partners & Their Roles

The I Am You Academy Transitional Housing Project collaborates with key community organizations, service providers, and funders to ensure participants receive comprehensive support for housing stability, employment, healthcare, and education.

Funding Partners:

- Pinal County – Provided a \$2,500 grant for ongoing program expenses.
- Other potential funders – Additional grants and funding sources will be pursued to sustain and expand services.

Community Partners & Support Services:

- HOPE Women's Center – Provides life skills training, mentoring, and basic needs assistance.
- Corazon Behavioral Health – Offers mental health counseling, substance abuse treatment, and case management.
- The Salvation Army – Supports participants with emergency financial assistance, food, and shelter referrals.
- Local Career Centers & Workforce Programs – Assist with job training, resume building, and employment placement.
- Legal Aid Services – Provide legal assistance, including tenant rights and domestic violence support.
- Food Pantries & Clothing Closets – Ensure access to basic needs and emergency supplies.
- Pinal County Adult Probation - provide referrals for Transitional Housing - young adults, ages 18-24

Safety-Net Services (Hosted Monthly):

Participants receive immediate tangible resources such as:

- Low-cost car seats
- Legal aid & parenting classes
- Housing referrals & job readiness support
- Baby supplies, food assistance, & health fairs



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By integrating trusted partners and support services, W2WR ensures participants overcome barriers, achieve self-sufficiency, and build stable, healthy lives.

9. Would you be able to implement the proposed plan if your organization received partial funding for this project?

Implementation Plan with Partial Funding

Yes, Woman 2 Woman Resources (W2WR) would still implement the I Am You Academy Transitional Housing Project with partial funding, though in a phased approach to prioritize critical services while seeking additional funding sources.

Phase 1: Core Services & Initial Implementation (*March 2025 – December 2025*)

- Prioritize transitional housing by securing a smaller facility or shared housing model.
- Focus on essential services such as case management, career support, and financial literacy.
- Leverage partnerships for mental health services, job training, and emergency assistance.
- Increase in-kind donations and volunteer support to supplement funding gaps.

Phase 2: Program Expansion & Additional Services (*January 2026 – March 2027*)

- Seek additional grants, sponsorships, and donations to expand housing capacity and participant reach.
- Enhance health and wellness programs, including substance abuse recovery, mental health counseling, and fitness initiatives.
- Strengthen job placement and workforce partnerships for long-term employment opportunities.

While full funding would allow comprehensive implementation, W2WR remains committed to serving women and families regardless of funding limitations by adapting program delivery and maximizing community resources.

10. Describe your plan for project financial sustainability beyond the grant period. If this is a program/project previously funded by the Gila River Indian Community, describe efforts made towards the previously described sustainability plan.

Woman 2 Woman Resources (W2WR) will sustain the I Am You Academy Transitional Housing Project beyond the grant period through diverse funding, strategic partnerships, and community engagement.

1. Diversified Funding

- Pursue additional grants from government and private foundations.
- Secure corporate sponsorships and employer partnerships.
- Expand individual donations and community fundraising efforts.
- Introduce small service fees for select training programs.



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2. Partnerships & In-Kind Support

- Collaborate with local businesses, workforce agencies, and housing providers to reduce costs.
- Increase donations of housing supplies, professional services, and volunteer support.

3. Economic Development & Social Enterprise

- Provide transitional employment and business training to help participants gain financial independence.
- Develop microenterprise opportunities to generate sustainable income.

4. Community Engagement & Advocacy

- Build awareness through events, networking, and alumni involvement.
- Foster a self-sustaining support system where past participants mentor new ones.

This multi-faceted approach ensures the program remains viable and impactful long-term.

11. Describe your plan to document progress and results.

Plan for Documenting Progress & Results

W2WR will track the I Am You Academy Transitional Housing Project's progress and impact through data collection, participant feedback, and performance metrics.

1. Data Collection & Case Management

- Maintain detailed participant records using a secure case management system.
- Track housing stability, employment status, financial progress, and health outcomes.
- Document referrals, program participation, and service utilization.

2. Performance Metrics & Evaluation

- Measure program success using key indicators, such as:
 - % of participants securing permanent housing
 - % gaining employment or job training
 - % completing educational or wellness programs
- Conduct pre/post assessments to evaluate personal growth and self-sufficiency.

3. Participant Feedback & Reporting

- Use surveys, focus groups, and one-on-one interviews to assess program effectiveness.
- Gather qualitative success stories to highlight impact.
- Provide quarterly and annual reports to funders and stakeholders.



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By combining quantitative data and participant experiences, W2WR ensures continuous improvement, transparency, and long-term program success.

12. Indicate any application to and/or awards made by a tribe other than the Gila River Indian Community for state shared revenues for this and any other project for the past five (5) years.

W2WR has not received any funding from any other tribes.



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Project Budget

Budget Period: 9/01/2025-10/01/2026

For each budget item listed, please provide a narrative description on the following Project Budget Detail page.

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5
Proposed Budget Expense (list each budget item)	Amount requested from GRIC	Amount requested or secured from other sources	In Kind or matching contributions	Total Budget
1. Purchase building	\$300000	\$30000	\$0	\$330000
2. Utilities	\$6200	\$0	\$1800	\$8000
3. Staff Salaries	\$120000	\$10000	\$	\$130000
4. Program Services	\$6000	\$0	\$	\$6000
5. Technical Assistance	\$6000	\$0	\$0	\$6000
6. Maintenance/Repairs	\$7000	\$0	\$3000	\$10000
7. Potential Resident Fees/Grants	\$2000	\$0	\$	\$2000
8. Miscellaneous Fees	\$3000	\$0	\$	\$3000
9. Marketing	\$1300	\$0	\$700	\$2000
10. Accounting	\$3000	\$0	\$0	\$3000
11	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
12	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
13. Click here to enter text.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
14. Click here to enter text.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Budget	\$454500	\$40000	\$5500	\$500000



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Project Budget Detail

Please provide a narrative description for each of the project budget items listed on the previous page. Include the dollar figure and how it was attained.

1. Building Purchase (\$330,000)

The grant will be used to acquire a permanent facility to house program operations. This building will serve as a central hub for services, including housing support, case management, and community engagement activities.

2. Utilities (\$8000)

Funds will support electricity, water, gas, internet, and other essential utilities necessary for the daily operations of the facility. This ensures a safe and comfortable environment for program participants and staff.

3. Staff Salaries (\$130000)

Staff salaries include compensation for 2 case managers, 1 administrative personnel, 1 program coordinators, and 1 support staff responsible for delivering services. The funding request will cover a portion of salaries, with additional sources supplementing the remainder.

4. Program Services (\$6000)

This category includes direct services to participants, such as financial literacy workshops, career development sessions, and supportive programming that enhances economic self-sufficiency and well-being.

5. Technical Assistance (\$6000)

Technical assistance funds will be used for professional development, training, and consulting to enhance service delivery, improve program effectiveness, and maintain compliance with funding and regulatory requirements.

6. Maintenance/Repairs (\$10000)

Regular facility maintenance and repairs are essential to ensure a safe, functional, and welcoming environment. This includes plumbing, HVAC servicing, and structural repairs as needed.

7. Potential Resident Fees/Grants (\$2000)

Resident contributions and grants will help offset some operational costs, supporting long-term sustainability. These funds may come from program participants, community partnerships, or other grant sources.

8. Miscellaneous Fees (\$3000)

This category covers unforeseen expenses, including administrative costs, permits, and other incidental expenditures necessary for smooth operations.



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9. Marketing (\$2000)

Outreach and marketing efforts will promote program awareness, participant recruitment, and stakeholder engagement. This includes printed materials, digital advertising, and community outreach events.

10. Accounting (\$3000)

Funds allocated for professional accounting services ensure financial transparency, grant compliance, and accurate reporting. This is critical for managing multiple funding streams and financial sustainability.

To ensure a complete application and proper submission please refer to the Grant Application Instructions.