PINAL COUNTY

Proposition 202 Tribal Gaming
Application Sponsorship/Support Form
Requesting Pinal County serve as the Fiscal Agent/Pass Through Entity
Name of the Tribal Community: Tohono O'odham
Due date of the application to the Tribal community: June 09,2025

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: Contact person/title: Email address: Address:
Project name: Itty Bitty Bottle Babies
Mary Dondanville, Board Member
Ittybittyfedkittens@gmail.com
P O Box 2253
Arizona City AZ 85123
Save 200 more

Amount being requested: Project summary: Beneficiaries: We are requesting $5000 to assist with our on-going daily costs. Our mission is to save kittens in Pinal County. This money would support that mission by paying for food, medical services, vaccines for our kittens. Our work is aimed at low-income families throughout Pinal: educating them to the needs of kittens, providing spay/neuter services for their animals helping with Trap/Neuter/Return services for community cats and offering low-cost adoptions.

Supervisor District: 4
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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Tohono O'odham Grant Application Narrative

A. Purpose of Grant

We are calling this project Save 200 More.

We are a very small foster-based kitten rescue. We are completely funded by donations and grants and we are volunteer staffed. Our mission is to save and find homes for as many unwanted kittens as we can and by doing so, help reduce the unwanted cat population in Pinal County. We educate our clients to the advantages of altering their pets and help them find resources so they can keep a family pet. Currently, we save about 200 animals per year. We would like to expand that vision and help end the cat over-population in Pinal County. In order to expand our reach, we need to provide food, shelter and medical service for each kitten. Costs continue to rise. In order to find homes for our kittens, we must keep the adoption fee competitive. Right now, we charge $140.00 to adopt a kitten. We provide vaccines, altering, housing, food, litter and any needed medical assistance. $140.00 does not go far to pay for those costs. Currently, a spay/neuter surgery costs $100 minimum. If there are complications [enlarged uterus, in heat, pregnant] those costs can rise to $150.00 per animal. Vaccines are another $14 per animal. A microchip is $8.00 when bought in bulk. Formula is $150.00 for each five-pound bag and canned kitten food costs about $3.00 per day per animal. Litter ranges from $12-18 per tub. We also supply our foster homes with bedding, enclosures and toys. We are requesting a grant to help with these ongoing costs. We also continue to provide low-cost spay/neuter [S/N] services to low-income families and TNR [Trap, Neuter, Return] for their neighborhoods in Pinal County. Our current funding allows us to run 4-5 clinics a year at which we alter 150-200 animals in total.

B. Operating budget

2025 Operating Budget			Tohono O'odham Grant Expenditures
Balance brought forward	$2200.00		
Income			$5000.00
AZ Companion Animal Project	$10000.00		
Steven's Haven	$5000.00		
Bonnie Kay	$7000.00		
PetSmart adoption goal	$3000.00		
Co-Pays from clinics	$3000.00		
Adoption fees	$20000.00		
Donation	$4000.00		
Garage Sale	$2800.00		
On-Line Auction	$2000.00		
Interest on account	$1.00		
TOTAL	$59001.00		$5000.00
Expenditures			
Travel Exp	$200.00		
Amazon Prime	$192.00		
Food	$20000.00		$1000.00
Litter	$1000.00		$200.00
Microchip Bulk Purchase	$480.00		$80.00
Veterinary Services	$4000.00		$750.00
Medications	$1000.00		$500.00
Medical SUpplies	$1000.00		
S/N Services	$20000.00		$670.00
TNR Expenses	$1000.00		$1000.00
ShelterLuv Fees	$300.00		
Office	$1000.00		

Bank Fees	$35.00		
Printing	$1200.00		
Tax prep	$100.00		
IT Consultant	$300.00		
Nursery Service	$500.00		
Nursery supplies	$3500.00		
Phone	$85.00		
Annual meeting& Vol exp.	$350.00		
Class Supplies	$200.00		
Materials for fosters	$1000.00		$800.00
TOTAL	$57442.00		
			$5000.00

C. Other requests & Resources

1.Bonnie Kay Foundation has provided us with $7000 for medical costs incurred while kittens are in our care. These include emergency surgery, veterinary visits and prescribed medication.
2. Steven's Haven awarded us $5000 to cover some of our ongoing costs.
3. For every 50 adoptions completed in their store, PetSmart Foundation awards us $1000. Last year, that earned us $3000. With the closing of all PetSmart stores, this will no longer be available to us.
4. Individual donations usually total about $4000 per annum.
5. Annual fundraisers [Garage Sale, On-line Auction] raise about $6000
6. In August, 2024, we were awarded $10,000 for Spay/Neuter from Arizona Companion Animal Project.

D. We have requested $5000 from both Ak-Chin and Gila River Nations but neither has been awarded at this time.

E. Primary Contact Person: Mary Dondanville, Board Member
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F. This request falls under both Education and Cultural and Environmental Development.

G. We have reached out to Heather Patel, Grant Manager for Pinal County, to request that Pinal County act as our Fiscal Agent.