



## REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY TO A TRIBAL GAMING GRANT

### NONPROFIT AGENCY INFORMATION

Agency Name: *Native American Connections*

Agency Phone: *(602) 254-3247*

Agency Email: *info@nativeconnections.org*

Agency Address: *4520 N. Central Ave., Ste. 600  
Phoenix, AZ 85012*

### PROPOSAL INFORMATION

Amount of Funding to be Requested: *\$25,000*

Name of the Tribe your Agency will apply to: *AkChin Indian Community*

Date the Proposal is Due to the Tribe: *July 10, 2020*

Brief summary of your proposed activity:

*State shared revenue funding from the AkChin Indian Community will support expansion of Native American Connection's Peer/Recovery Support and Sober Living programs at three program sites in FY2021, including at its new Patina Mountain Preserve (PMP) Wellness Center (opening Fall 2020). The opening of PMP will increase NAC's annual residential substance use treatment capacity from 500 to 800 adults. In addition, NAC's bed capacity to deliver peer/recovery support and sober living programs will increase from 18 beds (two sites) to 28 beds (three sites); annual service capacity will increase from 85 to 100 adults. (all genders).*

Brief Summary of how your proposed activity will benefit Pinal County residents:

*The Central Arizona region (Maricopa County, Pinal County) continues to experiencing overwhelming demand for innovative and effective substance use treatment services and recovery support programs, such as those provided by Native American Connections, to address the ongoing impact/effects of substance and opioid use disorders in Arizona and Greater Phoenix.*

### ATTACHMENT CHECKLIST

*Please attach the following documents to this form:*

- **IRS 501(C)3 DESIGNATION LETTER**
- **COPY OF THE COMPLETED GRANT APPLICATION THAT YOUR AGENCY INTENDS TO SUBMIT TO THE TRIBE**

### AGENCY SIGNATURE

Agency Director Name: *Diana Yazzie-Devine*

Agency Director Title: *President/CEO*

Signature of Authorized Agency Director:

Date:

*6/5/2020*

### Disclaimer:

Pinal County, a political subdivision of the State of Arizona, has processed the attached grant application as a courtesy to the grant applicant in order to comply with the requirements of the Native American Tribe or Nation considering the attached grant application. There is no legal relationship between Pinal County and the grant applicant. Pinal County hereby notifies the Native American Tribe or Nation and grant applicant that Pinal County disclaims any liability or responsibility for the representations, accuracy, completeness or substance of the attached grant application. By forwarding the attached grant application Pinal County notifies the Native American Tribe or Nation and grant applicant that Pinal County disclaims any liability or responsibility for grantee use, misuse, improper expenditures or failure to make reports or account for grant proceeds, etc related to any grant funds awarded to the grant applicant by the Native American Tribe or Nation making the grant.

## Ak-Chin Indian Community Grant Application Cover Sheet

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| Name of Applicant:   | Applicant is a: <input type="checkbox"/> City/Town/County (circle)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>Nonprofit</u> |
| Mayor/Supervisor/Chairman/President: <u>Diana Yazzie-Devine, President/CEO</u>   |   |
| Contact Person and Title: <u>Margot Cordova, Grants Manager</u>  |   |
| Applicant Address (administrative office): <u>4520 N. Central Avenue, Ste. 600</u>   |   |
| City: <u>Phoenix</u>   | Zip Code: <u>85012</u>  |
| Applicant Mailing Address (if different):  |   |
| City:  | Zip Code:   |
| Phone Number:  | Fax Number:   |
| E-mail Address: <u>d.devine@nativeconnections.org; m.cordova@nativeconnections.org</u>   |   |
| Fiscal Agent for any Applicant that is not a City, Town, or County: <u>Pinal County</u><br><i>(Special Taxing Districts/Fire Districts must have a Fiscal Agent)</i> |   |
| Contact Person: <u>Levi Gibson, Director of Finance/Purchasing; Tami Ryall, Grants Administrator</u>   |   |
| City/Town/County Mailing Address: <u>31 N. Pinal Street</u>  |   |
| City: <u>Florence, AZ</u>  | Zip Code: <u>85132</u>  |
| Phone Number: <u>(520) 509-3555</u>  | Fax Number:   |
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| Program or Project Name: <b><i>Peer/Recovery Support and Sober Living Program</i></b>  |
| Purpose (Check all that apply) <input type="checkbox"/> education <input type="checkbox"/> public safety <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> health <input type="checkbox"/> environment<br><input type="checkbox"/> promotion of commerce <input type="checkbox"/> economic and community development   |
| Purpose of Grant (brief statement):<br><i>The AkChin Indian Community's state shared revenue funding would be used to support expansion of Native American Connections' Peer/Recovery Support and Sober Living programs which will be delivered at three sites in FY2021. During the proposed project's implementation timeframe, NAC's capacity to deliver peer/recovery support and sober living programs will increase from 18 beds (offered at two sites) to 28 beds (three sites), which will expand annual service capacity from 85 to 100 adults (all genders).</i> |
| Beginning and Ending Date of Program or Project: <b><u>1/1/2021 to 12/31/2021</u></b>  |
| Amount Requested: <b><u>\$25,000</u></b> Total Cost: <b><u>\$150,000</u></b>   |
| Geographic Area Served: <b><u>Central Arizona populations (Pinal County, Maricopa County)</u></b>  |

By the execution of this Grant Application the undersigned agrees that the information contained in this Application is true, 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:  Date: 6-5-2020

Typed/Printed Name and Title: **Diana Yazzie-Devine, President/CEO**

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

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

## A. Purpose of Grant

Native American Connections' mission is "Improving the lives of individuals and families through Native American culturally appropriate behavioral health, affordable housing, and community development services". Since 1972 Native American Connections (NAC) has been changing lives, building healthy communities, and providing housing stability for individuals, youth, and families with children. NAC is a federally designated Urban Indian Organization as defined at 25 U.S.C § 1603(29) and has service contracts with two Indian Health Service (IHS) services areas: Phoenix Area (42 tribes) and Albuquerque (22 tribes), as well as 20 direct tribal contracts serving tribes in the Southwest.

NAC owns/operates 21 sites in the Greater Phoenix region offering integrated healthcare, affordable and supportive housing (over 1,000 units/beds), and community development services to over 10,000 individuals and families each year. NAC also champions projects that strengthen the Native American community and celebrate its rich cultural history such as the Native American Community Service Center, co-owned/operated by NAC and Phoenix Indian Center, and Phoenix Indian School Visitor Center in Steele Indian School Park.

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| <b>Community Health/Wellness</b>   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Patina Wellness Center</i>-a licensed 70-bed residential Substance Use Disorder (SUD) facility opened July 2016 for men, women &amp; their dependent children</li> <li>• Outpatient Program SUD adult treatment services (ages 18 and older)</li> <li>• Intensive/Standard Outpatient programs (SUD and co-occurring disorders) and General Mental Health programs offering following services: psychoeducational groups; peer support; individual, couples and family therapy; case management.</li> <li>• Transition Age Youth (TAY) &amp; Young adult SUD treatment services (ages 10-25). Intensive group treatment and home-based individual &amp; family therapy for youth and families with SUD and/or co-occurring disorders.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Affordable and Supportive Housing</b>   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 300 units of permanent supportive housing (homeless, disabled, special populations)</li> <li>• 530 units of affordable housing for individuals, families, youth (age 18-24), and older adults</li> <li>• 120 SUD residential beds for men, women &amp; their dependent children</li> <li>• 25 emergency housing beds for homeless youth (ages 18-24): Homebase program</li> <li>• 28 <i>recovery support and sober living housing beds</i>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Pendleton Court (10 beds for women), Indian Rehabilitation (8 beds for men)</i></li> <li>• <i>Patina Mountain Preserve (10 beds - pending) – under construction</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul>  |
| <b>Community Development</b>   |
| NAC champions projects that strengthen the Native American community and celebrate its rich cultural history such as the Native American Community Service Center 85,000 square foot Office Building (2007), co-owned/operated by NAC and Phoenix Indian Center and the Phoenix Indian School Visitor Center (2017) located in the former Phoenix Indian boarding school(1891-1990) now bringing a new array of arts/cultural, education, health/wellness and nutrition, and community economic development programs to Arizona.   |

NAC requests **\$25,000 in funding** from the AkChin Indian Community's Prop 202-12% grant program to support ***expansion of its Peer/Recovery Support and Sober Living programs (18 beds to 28 beds) which will be delivered at three program sites in FY2021.***

## 1. Project Description, Community Needs/Issues Addressed

**Project Description.** In Fall 2020, NAC will open its new *Patina Mountain Preserve (PMP) Wellness Center* in north Phoenix which will expand access to its high quality Integrated Healthcare and residential substance use treatment services and address high community demand for these critical services. PMP's north Phoenix campus also will co-locate 54 units of permanent supportive housing services for veterans and chronically homeless residents (*Dunlap Pointe*). The PMP Wellness Center builds on the work of NAC's Patina Wellness Center (opened 2016) and will uniquely address the impact/effects of substance and opioid use disorders in Arizona and Greater Phoenix. The main components of the PMP Wellness Center include:

- 55-bed wellness center focusing on the whole person (mind, body, spirit) to expand residential substance use treatment services for adult men
- 10 beds to provide peer/recovery support and sober living for adult men.

Our community is experiencing overwhelming demand for NAC's innovative and effective treatment and recovery support programs, and *the opening of Patina Mountain Preserve will increase NAC's annual residential treatment capacity from 500 to 800 adults. Additionally, NAC's bed capacity for providing peer/recovery support and sober living programs will increase from 18 beds (two sites) to 28 beds (three sites); annual service capacity will increase from 85 to 100 adults (all genders).*

**Community Need/Issues.** Arizona officially declared an Opioid Emergency in June 2017, when an opioid use epidemic was spreading across the nation.

| <b>ARIZONA Statewide Opioid Data: June 15, 2017 –January 16, 2020</b>   |                                    |
|---|------------------------------------|
| 3,935 suspect opioid deaths   | 32,900 suspect opioid overdoses    |
| 68,906 naloxone doses dispensed   | 20,893 naloxone doses administered |
| Source: <a href="https://www.azdhs.gov/prevention/womens-childrens-health/injury-prevention/opioid-prevention/index.php">https://www.azdhs.gov/prevention/womens-childrens-health/injury-prevention/opioid-prevention/index.php</a> |                                    |

- 63,200 SUD cases were addressed by Arizona's Medicaid programs in State FY 2018. Opiates (21.1%) were the most common substance used statewide by those in treatment, followed by methamphetamines (19.1%), alcohol (18.2%) and marijuana (17.1%). (Source: *Annual Report: Substance Use Treatment Programs, SFY 2018, January 2019*).
- 6,364 clients (98%) referred to AZ Department of Child Safety in SFY 2019 received an assessment of substance treatment; 90% (5,753 clients) were assessed as needing treatment services. (Source: *DCS Arizona Families F.I.R.S.T Program Annual Evaluation Report SFY -2019*).

### *NAC Client Profile and Annual Treatment Capacity*

- 2,400+ youth and adults received SUD treatment services (outpatient, residential)
  - Age breakdown (on average) in outpatient is 80% adults and 20% youth ages 10-18.
- 500+ men, women and children receive inpatient residential treatment annually at Patina Wellness Center. Accommodations are made for their children to keep a family together.
- 58% (on average) of clients receiving SUD treatment annually are Native American; NAC's integrated healthcare operations staffing closely matches its Native American client profile.

*The activities NAC uses to address A/SUD include: Engagement/Outreach & Referrals; Intake/Assessment; Screening; Brief Behavioral Counseling; a variety of Evidence-Based Practices; Medication Assistance Treatment (through community partnerships); Family Engagement; Cultural Competency (i.e. Native traditional healing/cultural practices such as Talking Circles, Sweat Lodge), and Peer/Recovery Support and Sober Living Programs. NAC works within its own structure or with community partners to provide adult clients and family members access to all of the following integrated services:*

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| <b>Peer Support, Recovery Coaches.</b> Provided by NAC   |   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Peer support and recovery coach services serve as “Step-up/Step-Down” program components to direct assessed clients either to permanent supportive housing settings (step-up) or to A/SUD treatment in either a residential or outpatient setting (step-down).</li> </ul>   |   |
| <b>Peer/Recovery Support-Sober Living Programs.</b> Provided by NAC  |   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Access to recovery support and emergency housing, particularly through NAC’s recovery housing communities: Pendleton Court (women); Indian Rehabilitation (men)</li> <li>Navigation to community housing resources for permanent supportive housing opportunities available from NAC and other housing partners.</li> </ul>   |   |
| <b>Pathway to Employment Program (PEP).</b> Provided by NAC  |   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PEP is an opportunity for NAC clients to become employed by NAC’s behavioral health program through a paid internship. PEP participants attend a six-month/24 week training, 20 hours per week, and receive a \$100 stipend each week. Participants gain: Finger Print Clearance Card assistance, electronic health record training, Peer Support Certification, Behavioral Health Training through Relias, basic computer training, and on the job training such as lobby greeting and job shadowing.</li> </ul> |   |
| <b>Healthcare Services for Homeless</b>  | Provided by: Circle the City, Phoenix Indian Medical Center (PIMC), various federally qualified healthcare centers (FQHCs). |
| <b>Education, Employment, Supportive Services, Life Skills</b>   | Provided by: Phoenix Indian Center (Native Americans); AWEE (Women); St. Joseph the Worker (homeless populations)           |

## **2. Target Population**

The target population is homeless adults (ages 18 and over)--particularly Native Americans--with alcohol/substance use disorders (AUD/SUD) residing in Maricopa/Pinal Counties. The opening of PMP Wellness Center will increase NAC’s annual residential substance use treatment capacity from 500 to 800 adults (all genders). Additionally, NAC’s capacity to deliver peer/recovery support and sober living programs will increase from 18 beds (at two sites) to 28 beds (three sites), which will expand annual service capacity from 85 to 100 adults (all genders).

## **3. Goals and Objectives**

The goal of NAC’s Peer/Recovery Support and Sober Living program is to *provide individuals who have completed NAC’s residential substance use treatment program with additional time/support necessary to remain sober and transition to permanent housing.*

The objective is to *provide clients/residents with access to ongoing outpatient treatment, peer/recovery support, sober living/housing, and other critical services which address social determinants of health.*

Residents/clients participating in NAC’s Peer/Recovery Support and Sober Living programs also participate in NAC’s outpatient program and receive progressive step-down support. Length of stay is 6 to 12 weeks, with 24/7 support provided by an on-site recovery coach staff member.

#### **4. Timetable**

As previously mentioned, NAC's new Patina Mountain Preserve Wellness Center will open in Fall 2020, which will increase NAC's annual residential substance use treatment capacity from 500 to 800 adults (all genders). Additionally, NAC's capacity to deliver peer/recovery support and sober living programs will increase from 18 beds (offered at two sites) to 28 beds (three sites), which will expand annual service capacity from 85 to 100 adults (all genders). NAC's expanded delivery of its peer/recovery and sober living program will begin in January 2021.

### **B. Resources**

#### **1. Funding Resources**

The total FY21 annual operating budget established for NAC's Peer/Recovery Support and Sober Living Program is \$150,000. (See attachment)

NAC expects to cover operating expenses from a combination of the following ongoing sources:

- Third-party billing revenue (AHCCCS, private insurance)
- Grants - Government/Tribal Nations grants
- Grants (Corporate, Foundation)
- Donations (Individuals, Corporate, in-kind support)

#### **2. Project Partners**

NAC will continue to work with its longstanding community partners to provide healthcare and other support services shown below to the proposed target population: homeless adults (ages 18 and over)--particularly Native Americans--with alcohol/substance use disorders (AUD/SUD) residing in Maricopa/Pinal Counties.

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| <b><i>Healthcare Services for Homeless</i></b>                        | Provided by: Circle the City, Phoenix Indian Medical Center (PIMC), various federally qualified healthcare centers (FQHCs). |
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#### **3. Project Sustainability/Continuity**

NAC's Peer/Recovery Support and Sober Living program annual costs/expenses are covered by the following sources: third-party billing (public/private insurance), government/tribal, grants (foundation, corporate) and donations (monetary, in-kind). (See B.1)

#### **4a. Unsuccessful 12% grant requests in last 18 months**

- Tohono O'odham Nation (2018) – Patina Mountain Preserve Wellness Center

#### **4b. Successful 12% grant requests in past five years**

Since 2008, NAC has received \$1.8 million total in 12% payments from five tribal communities to benefit five projects/programs: Native American Community Service Center in mid-town Phoenix (opened 2007); Patina Wellness Center (opened 2016); Homebase Youth Services and other Homelessness support services; Phoenix Indian School Visitor Center (opened 2017); Patina Mountain Preserve Wellness Center. NAC has received one 12% distributions from AkChin Indian Community for the Phoenix Indian School Visitor Center. (2019-20).



| <i>Year</i> | <i>Amount</i>   | <i>Tribal Communities</i>   | <i>Project/Program</i>                                      |
|-------------|-----------------|---|---|
| 2008-2009   | \$500,000 total | Ft. McDowell Yavapai Nation (FMYN), Gila River Indian Community (GRIC), Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community (SRPMIC), Tohono O'odham Nation (TON) | Native American Community Service Center (Capital).         |
| 2015        | \$500,000       | GRIC  | Patina Wellness Center (Capital)                            |
|             | \$25,000        | SRPMIC  |   |
| 2016        | \$25,000        | SRPMIC  |   |
| 2017        | \$50,000        | TON   | Phoenix Indian School Visitor Center (Capital, Operations). |
| 2017        | \$50,000        | GRIC  | Homebase Youth Services                                     |
| 2018        | \$25,000        | SRPMIC  | Homeless/Residential Support Services                       |
| 2019        | \$50,000        | SRPMIC  | Patina Mountain Preserve                                    |
|             | \$25,000        | FMYN  | PISVC   |
|             | \$25,000        | TON   | PISVC   |
|             | \$25,000        | AkChin  | PISVC   |
| 2019-2020   | \$500,000       | GRIC (\$250K annually over two years)   | Patina Mountain Preserve                                    |

### C. Reports

NAC owns and operates 21 sites (programs/operations) in Phoenix offering and providing access to integrated healthcare, affordable and supportive housing, and community development services. Each program has an array of public and private funding sources with significant financial management, accounting and reporting requirements. Reporting on the proposed program's progress/results include monthly financials documenting revenues and expenses.

If required/requested, NAC will provide aggregated (de-identified) data for the following program indicators: numbers served; demographics (age, gender, race/ethnicity); individuals with dependent children; substances of use; length of stay; employment/income gains; and numbers transitioned into stable housing (i.e. permanent supportive, other available housing).

- *Reporting.* Along with any required reporting to AkChin Community, other strategies NAC may use to communicate results (quantitative, qualitative) include: 1) *Benchmarks identified/reviewed quarterly by NAC's Quality Management Committee;* 2) *client satisfaction surveys (monthly and at discharge);* 3) *Social Determinants of Health assessment tool (Intake/Discharge).*
- *Performance measurement, data management, reporting, and measurement/analysis processes* will be established and managed by the following NAC staff professional positions: Director of Quality & Compliance; Director of Operations (Patina Wellness Center/Patina Mountain Preserve); and the Recovery Coach Supervisor.

### D. Budget

NAC is requesting \$25,000 in funding from the AkChin Indian Community's Prop 202-12% grant program to support expansion of its Peer/Recovery Support and Sober Living programs (18 beds to 28 beds) which will be delivered at three sites in FY2021. Grant funds will support program operations costs, including the work of two salaried staff positions (2.0 FTE House Manager/Recovery Coach). All funds will be spent by December 31, 2021. A detailed \$150,000 program budget is included with this request.

**E. Additional Information.** None is being provided at this time.

**Native American Connections**

***Peer/Recovery Support and Sober Living Programs***

***Program Budget FY21***

**Revenue**

|                                |    |        |
|--------------------------------|----|--------|
| Third-Party Billing            | \$ | 70,000 |
| Government/Tribal Nations      | \$ | 35,000 |
| Grants (Corporate/Foundations) | \$ | 35,000 |
| Donations                      | \$ | 10,000 |

**Total \$ 150,000**

**Expenses**

|                            |    |         |   |
|----------------------------|----|---------|---|
| Salaries & EREs            | \$ | 120,000 | <i>2.0 FTE House Manager/Recovery Coach</i>                   |
| Data Collection/Reporting  | \$ | 15,000  | <i>Program Administration</i>                                 |
| Supplies (Office, Program) | \$ | 10,000  | <i>Job Search supplies; Bus passes (100 clients; 2 staff)</i> |
| Fees                       | \$ | 5,000   | <i>Educational fees, etc.</i>                                 |

**Total \$ 150,000**





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Internal Revenue Service

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Employer ID Number: 86-0293585  
Form 990 required: YES

Dear Taxpayer:

This is in response to your request dated Mar. 07, 2018, regarding your tax-exempt status.

We issued you a determination letter in June 1975, recognizing you as tax-exempt under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(03).

Our records also indicate you're not a private foundation as defined under IRC Section 509(a) because you're described in IRC Sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

Donors can deduct contributions they make to you as provided in IRC Section 170. You're also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts under IRC Sections 2055, 2106, and 2522.

In the heading of this letter, we indicated whether you must file an annual information return. If a return is required, you must file Form 990, 990-EZ, 990-N, or 990-PF by the 15th day of the fifth month after the end of your annual accounting period. IRC Section 6033(j) provides that, if you don't file a required annual information return or notice for three consecutive years, your exempt status will be automatically revoked on the filing due date of the third required return or notice.

For tax forms, instructions, and publications, visit [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) or call 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676).

If you have questions, call 1-877-829-5500 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., local time, Monday through Friday (Alaska and Hawaii follow Pacific Time).

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Sincerely yours,



Teri M. Johnson  
Operations Manager, AM Ops. 3



June 4, 2020

Ak Chin Indian Community  
c/o Council Secretary  
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Maricopa, AZ 85138

Re: Letter of Reference/Recommendation

To Whom It May Concern:

I am honored to provide this letter of reference and recommendation on behalf of Native American Connections (NAC), to be awarded funding from the Ak Chin Indian Community's 12% gaming grant program. Funds will be used to support expansion of its Peer/Recovery Support and Sober Living programs which will be delivered at three sites in FY2021.

NAC currently owns and operates 21 sites in the Greater Phoenix area offering access to integrated healthcare services, affordable and supportive housing (over 1,000 units/beds), and community development services to over 10,000 individuals and families each year.

In Fall 2020, NAC will open its new Patina Mountain Preserve (PMP) Wellness Center in north Phoenix, which will expand access to NAC's high-quality Integrated Healthcare and residential substance use treatment services and address high community demand for these critical services. The new PMP campus includes a 55-bed wellness center, which will expand residential substance use treatment services for adult men, including 10 sober living beds for recovery support services.

The opening of the PMP Wellness Center will increase NAC's annual residential substance use treatment capacity from 500 to 800 adults (all genders). Additionally, NAC's capacity to deliver peer/recovery support and sober living programs will increase from 18 beds (offered at two sites) to 28 beds (three sites), which will expand annual service capacity from 85 to 100 adults (all genders).

NAC has been, and continues to be, a longstanding collaborative partner with Arizona State University. NAC's commitment to native people and tribal communities speaks for itself. Academic programs, such as the Office of American Indian Projects (Social Work) and other public health programs rely on NAC as training partners who are well versed in cultural competency and considerations when it comes to client care.

Thank you for your consideration to support the good work of Native American Connections. If you have any further questions, I may be reached at [jacob.moore@asu.edu](mailto:jacob.moore@asu.edu) or at (480) 415-1306.

S-ape'o,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jacob C. Moore", with a large, stylized flourish underneath.

Jacob C. Moore  
Associate Vice President of Tribal Relations

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