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- 00:00 COVID they
- 00:00 did say
- 00:03 yeah Robbie
- 00:05 Hello
- $^{\circ}$ 00:05 I don't think so.
- 00:07 But but no to like appease all of my phone okay good See I think you're still with us worried and she's not saying

- 00:44 that right now
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 make sure people know
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 you know who knows
- 01:07 themselves or whatever you
- 01:08 know i mean
- on 01:10
 so I think she'll feel shocked
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 you know it's mostly a couple of chickens
- 01:24 chickens I know it's like a one to one we're back
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 doors off the cabinets

	01:43 inside oh yeah we're
$\overset{\circ}{\cap}$	02:03 live in the basement of
$\bigcap_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mathcal{O}_i$	02:04 our see that downstairs with
\bigcap°	02:09 a woman with a horse yeah
$\overset{\circ}{\cap}$	02:10 oh
$\bigcirc \bigcap$	02:11 yeah there's a woman there's an ordinance now that people can have the type of animals out
\bigcap°	02:16 there because it made up
\bigcap°	02:22 No, no okay because she has like some courses to learn essentially.
$\overset{\circ}{\cap}$	02:28 And she buried them in the back area,

\bigcap°	02:30 you know, took care of took care of pathways and no one died and she died.
$\bigcap_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mathcal{O}_i$	02:40 Okay.
$\overset{\circ}{\cap}$	02:45 Hi,
\bigcap°	02:46 Brandi is how cool would that be to wonder? Yeah, yeah.
$\overset{\circ}{\cap}$	03:12 So yeah.
$\overset{\circ}{\cap}$	03:21 Not get rid of it, but you could stop it.
$\overset{\circ}{\cap}$	03:24 I haven't done it yet. Because Yeah, because I couldn't see the oil here
$\overset{\circ}{\cap}$	03:34 in my office and I thought,
\bigcap°	03:41 oil for everybody

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	everything much as you want
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	before I met
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	Hey everybody, I made her and everything set up okay there for you guys. Yeah, thanks so I was hoping hoping you didn't have any troubles at least here helping us out
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	cool
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	what do you guys think of that snow?
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	I'm glad I'm glad it didn't stick around.
Č	06:28 There's a reason I live here in New Orleans again.
	mere's a reason i live here in New Oneans again.
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	Oh yeah.
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deer hunting.

Well you missed about three, four inches of snow yesterday brandy. It'd been good for

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 I heard about all the pictures. That's about enough to see.
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 Any question any? I'm sorry.
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 Can you see me?
- 07:09 Yes, we can see.
- O7:11
 Okay. Hi, Annie.
- O7:18

 We can see. Yeah. How have you been?
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 I've been well. Thank you. Good.
- O7:22 Yeah. Have you
- 07:25 missed the snow? Oh, yeah.

- 07:27 Yeah, you 07:28 got lucky. 07:31 We should have sent some your way. 07:34 Yeah. 07:36 Have you been? Did you get your vaccination Annie? Yes. Okay. Good deal. 07:42 Hi, Rebecca. 07:47 Hi. Good to see you. 07:52 Thank you. You too.
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 So, I just take a minute I'm, I'm going to be activism next Wednesday,

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for about a week. So hopefully I get to see everybody.

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Definitely. We will be here. We'll get you on mass for some other people to roll then.

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Hey, David, real quick. Just so you know, Tony, he just text he's not able. He may not be able to join. He got hung up in town. So you can maybe ask her you know, those updated addresses and stuff like that.

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Hey, Brad, did you see that responded? About I did but I haven't seen your pop on yet. Yeah, that's why I was wondering too.

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I saw she's confirmed for tonight. Yeah, I hadn't heard from regards until you sent me that today. We're where she responded to you are

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you guys talking about Julie David, Brad or? Yeah? Okay. Julie bomb is posted to the HUD audit presentation this evening with Brad.

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Let me see if I can shoot her. I'll shoot her a text real quick and see if I can see if she's able to join.

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All right, well, it's 506. Before we should take care of a couple of housekeeping matters,

first and foremost,



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the new people on the call today, thank you guys for joining. My name is David Tam, and I am the economic development coordinator.



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I feel Korea for the lowa tribe of Kansas, Nebraska. I am typically the moderator these calls. And so we have few I think you all follow up on as far as the protocol is that we asked everyone to hold your questions toward the end, if you may. And also, if you have them in the chat. If those questions are not brought verbally, we'll be sure to try to get everybody and it was time. With that said we'll go ahead and start. This housekeeping actually is a fact that we would like to ask everybody to do two things with us and helping us kind of spread the word. Number one is, is to make sure that you let everybody know to update their contact information to Tony Fie to make sure we have all the proper phone numbers, addresses and emails to ensure that you guys are all getting the proper communication in a timely fashion. then number two is we asked everybody if you guys could please pass the word about these webinars. We do these weekly webinars on various topics. If there's a topic that you'd like to see and haven't seen it yet, also let the Executive Council myself know. Please pass What about these topics? Right now we're at 30 people, it's a little bit late. We're typically around 20 minutes plus, that's okay. People are busy and Catholic as well sometimes as well. Also, as you guys know, these calls are recorded. And they are also archived in the members only tab of the lowa tribe cancer brosco website. So if you'd like to come back and watch these videos at a later time, we're sure these are people who are interested in this topic, please do so. With that said, we have a guest today is Brad Campbell and Julie Obama who will help him and his team who will all be helping talk about the height and what's happening with our trophies wrestling ad program.



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And presentation I will show when Brian asked me to with that Chairman to rock.



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There's just a couple more. I think there's a couple more members that we just need to

recognize. And that's one of the Brian with the Board Chair of the housing board and then also at least how he is also in the room. She's also on the board and I'm not sure if gender one is been on quite yet, but I think those are the only other individuals David badea. Claudia is on him. Oh, okay. Perfect. Claudia. Claudia Bachmann is also on then. She's also serves as a housing board members well. just wanting to get those those other members recognized. David, thank you. And also you have different options for the council. Jimmy wants introductions from the Executive Council.

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Yeah, yeah.

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So I am Tim rod chairman of the Iowa tribe. Who's next Lance, Tony will go with the lease.

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Robbie Craig.

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I'm Robbie Craig. I'm the executive committee member.

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Perfect. And then Tony wasn't able he's hung up and then Lance had other appointments as well. So that should be everybody. David. Thanks for that said, Brad. The floor is yours, buddy. Thank you. Thank you everybody for being here at night. The last council meetings or was it was it was asked why housing audit wasn't presented during those. And so we just thought this would be a good night, we invited Julie to come on and report on our last audit that we did. So with that said, Julie, go in. muted. Oh, God, you're muted. Do you want to unmute yourself?



I can't I can't get a



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hold on, Julie. Julie. All right, Brad, the last take over. Yep. I got just got a few things here to kind of I know, Chairman rods already kind of introduced the housing board. But I want to take the opportunity to do it. Also. With us here tonight, we have Linda Bryan, who's our chair of the board, and gender Roy and I don't think he's on the call tonight. But he's a long, long standing board member. He's the vice chair, and at least how we hear wearing two hats as he's on the tribal council and the housing board. And she's a secretary, the housing board. And Claudia Bachmann, I believe she's still on the call. She's too good housing board treasurer, and recently appointed board member Michael Owens. I don't believe he's on here either. I also like to recognize a longtime board member Carrie Campbell, passed away December 15 20/21 would have been here 20 years serving on the board. The housing authority, like every other tribal entities had to work through the COVID-19. Therefore, a while we had our front door law, we did business through the door. Since we've been able to allow people back in mass when required in our building.

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Since the CDC republished now both shots have been given in your in that two week span.

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Mass don't don't have to be worn in the building that they're required. Of course, if you do have one and don't have mass, we'll provide one if needed. And we did install a Plexiglas at the window now so and there's hand sanitizer there also. Housing operates from an Indian housing block grant that we receive annually. The amount varies from year to year. Funding for fiscal year, this fiscal year was 473,000 compared to last year, which was 512. So it does, it does vary. And each year to receive these funds, we have preparing Indian housing plan which outlines the current year funds will be spent on now at the end of the year, we have submitted an Annual Performance Report reporting on this year's activities, how they received \$157,000 and cares Act funding. We use a portion of these funds and we applied \$300 for every residents utilities. course there was another thing we intended to do with it, but we had limitations on it. That's kind of all we was able to do at the time. And the remainder of the funds went to the day to day operations. We have a limited the number of residents that can use the laundry room the two at a time and only one person

per family so it allows others to the Enter also. And then after each person is gone, we go in and we clean the machines and all the door handles and everything from try and prevent spread of anything. And now it's like talk a little bit about the housing programs, Housing Authority employees for full time employees, or homeownership program we currently have 32 homeownership units that are 100% occupied. These units do have income limits that you have to qualify with. But once you are residents, the income limits are still enforced with the exception of recertifications. Meaning once you are resident, your income can exceed the limits that are set to become eligible. But they do still apply if there's money available to do projects on the units. For instance, if someone's going if there's going to be a project on the home In the household exceeds the limits, then that particular house won't be able to leave in the project. Now our rental program is 46 units in the program, we have 11 one bedroom units 28 two bedroom units, and four three bedroom units. And three handicap units was included to one bedrooms and one one bedroom unit. income limits also apply to these units. The difference is, anytime you exceed these limits in this project that you have, you have to move because they're strictly enforced by HUD. Currently, the occupancy rate in the jnf right now is approximately 28%. Housing the Housing Authority owns four houses they purchased with non HUD HUD funds. There's no there's no income limits and no federal rules and regulations that apply to these units and currently all four of these units are occupied. The HUD way for guaranteed Home Loan Program provides homeownership to eligible Native American families. The section 184 programs and mortgage products specifically for American Indian and Alaska Native families tribes in Alaska villages, or tribally designated housing entities. Congress net establishes program in 1992 to facilitate homeownership in Native American communities. Gary guarantees each mortgage loan made to eligible borrowers. The loan guarantees assure that the lender will be repaid in the event of a foreclosure. Benefits of this program the low down payment for loans are over \$50,000 your downpayment only 2.25% and under 50,000 your down payments 1.25%. This program provides potential homebuyers with numerous options. You can purchase that thing existing home, single quotes construction loans for stick built or manufactured homes on a permanent Foundation, rehab loans, purchase and rehab or refinancing of your current home. The housing authority has partnered with first tribal lending for for all these needs. Not all states participate in this program in some states only certain counties or parishes. For lists of the qualifying states or counties you can contact the housing office or you can also visit first tribal lending website. There you can also fill out your free application to see if you qualify for the program.



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this past October the Housing Authority finished an extensive renovation project on the 4016 apartment complex. Included in the renovation was a full rehab on the interior of the

units. This included new floors, all new doors, kitchens, bathrooms, appliances, lights, ceiling fans, switches plugs, the total cost of the project was \$1.3 million. The project took 15 months to complete, which was nine months ahead of schedule. We're also pleased that the lead contractors on the project Brandon Austin Roberts, owners of Roberts construction are members of lowa tried two years prior to that all the H vac units was replaced which was also done by tribal members Aaron and Bob Davis. And David Do you want to put the pictures up in the project here we can kind of go through them for a second. Yep coming up.



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Now this this is one this is the kitchen for one of the years before the project started. And this is after the the new cabinets countertops saints kind of get a go to the floor in there and then there there's the before of the kitchen also

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and then the one on the left department on the left. I think they're both there though. Those are handicap units or you can you can tell by the kitchen sink there there's a little base cabinets so it's wheelchair accessible to get to the same.



And then that's the before picture of one of the restrooms. We replace all everything there. Still thanks Shower wall clear and that is a before picture The living room is after the the flooring that was installed in here the vinyl plank flooring that's all and it's all 100% waterproof and the planks if one of the planks would get damaged all you have to do is take a heat gun and keep that the tricolor plank up and then you can just pop right out and you can put another one down we've had a lot of bad luck with carpet so we decided to just go around with we're just gonna do away with carpet more before shot bedroom closets



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that set right there's the Why should this another one on there David of the handicapped bathrooms once I kind of came I missed that one. I go backwards, second bathroom one who's here, Brad. Yeah, there should be right there on the on the right. Yeah. Okay. On the right side, that's the handicap.



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And you can see the top the top picture on the right. As you can see, to the left side of the toilet, that's the shower where you can actually just roll wheelchair right on right into the and it has a handheld one at White shelf looking thing on that's that's a bench firm. If they need to sit to sit down by the shower and the wall then the floor is done as non slip epoxy. So you got an handicapper senior in there on the floor is non non slippery. So.



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Okay, so the funding source for this project, like Julie had mentioned, we, we applied for an Indian community development block grant. And we received \$800,000 through that through that law grant. And then we applied for a title six loan for the remainder of the project, which was \$533,805. The Block Grant and the title six applications were written by brandy, liberty and Morningstar and received on the on the call here. So we want to thank her for all her work on that, because that was time consuming. And another thing you know, Brandy the owner. She's also a tribal member. So we was able to utilize a lot of tribal members in this project. The title six loan will require a payback, annual payback for the loan amounts, which we're estimating to be 75 to \$100,000 annually. And we have 20 years to repay that \$500,000 and that that payment will come out of the housing annual our annual Indian housing block grant. The housing authority originally applied for an emergency rental assistance grant to the Department of Treasury. And through this grant, we was able to secure \$653,194. This is a rental program only. The funding for this program will help qualifying families have been affected by COVID. pay rent and utilities for up to 15 months. Applications for the program can be obtained by contacting housing office or going to the tribal website where it can be downloaded. With this program, you have to be able to prove that your hardship is due to COVID. Treasury Department has recently announced also that they are working on a homeownership program that will allow the same benefits for homeowners. It's yet to be published, but as soon as it will, with brandies help them will be submitting for that program. Also.



You may want to emergency Rental Assistance Program is also for nationwide tribal

members, not just those living in the service area.



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Right. Right. Thank you for that. And you know we need to get the word out through this program. We rolled this program out April 1. And so far it's not really got a lot of hits on it yet that we know of that. We have we have received one application and was able to approve it. So we're looking for a lot more So January 1, the housing got set up to where we can accept payments over the phone now via credit or debit card. And that's that's been pretty positive. And getting that gets a lot of use also. And Housing Authority currently has an MLU. With the police department for security services, they do pay for services, and they patrol or housing units. and thankful to report that they're really little to no crime in any of these complexes. Our future plan for the housing include working with the executive committee on and on doing a hempcrete project this standard from their their hemp plants that they grow, we hope to in the future be able to build units using this product from from plants. We're also planning to do a renovation of the office building. Since we weren't able to do it at the time, we did the apartments, which will include new floors, kitchen bathrooms, and spruce up as a laundry facility. And we're also planning to add in addition on to the maintenance shop. And, of course, all future plans include hopes to building new housing units. We are currently working with brandy talking, getting ready to do a needs assessment, which is required in submitting any federal request for housing. We have to show there is a need to provide housing to our members over the past few years. And he hasn't, hasn't been there. But we're hoping that changes with all the adventures that are on the horizon with the with the tribe. So that's all I have. So open it up, unless anybody else wants to add. Linda, do you want to add anything to this?



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I think you did a good job,



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Jim. You got? Yeah, I just want to make a couple comments, you know, and I just, this is a really important remodel project for those units in there. Because they were they were, you know, very outdated. And, you know, kudos to everybody that was involved for, you know, like successful project. That way we have, you know, units that are, you know, upgraded and livable and much better than what they were so job done that everybody was involved in. I do have one question. And maybe it's just a topic of discussion, because I see a gap in some of the housing needs here, which is, you know, and I know, HUD all the

programs or income guidelines, which a lot of the members are not able to get in to some of those houses because of those income thresholds. So I didn't know if there's anything out there that maybe the housing could maybe look at or see if we can have, you know, housing units that that don't have those income guidelines, just something to think about and consideration for, you know, down the road. Long, as long as had involved in HUDs monies involved, those guidelines are going to be there. The only way to avoid those guidelines is if the Housing Authority fell into some much needed, john had plans to get rid of those regulations and stipulations, and then there wouldn't be. Does anybody else have any questions on on anything with housing while the group is here?



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I do have a couple of comments. There just to kind of also just let everyone know, kind of what's, you know, on the horizon, you know, congressionally and things like that. I mean, they're all of these new laws for new money and, you know, are very housing specific, and it's giving Indian housing just across, you know, the country. amazing opportunities that we've not, you know, haven't seen in many, many years. And so, you know, obviously, you know, you guys are all familiar with the cares act, you know, that happened last year. There is the consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021. That meet was made public law in December, which kind of covers our hbg funds. Are I CDBG, anti CDBG, eminent threat funds. So there was an increase with some of those, as those competitive applications open up later in the year. It also looked at this emergency rental assistance program that Brad had mentioned, you know, that has been, you know, a great asset to help cover, you know, rent and utility assistance and arrears for, you know, any of those tribal members living across the country, you know, that meet those income qualifications. Then we also have the American rescue plan, or the AARP that we actually have some trainings next week on that Where we'll get another set of hbg formula funds. Similar to what we did the housing did with cares funds last year, that'll kind of help facilitate progress, you know, through 2021. And then also the Department of Treasury is doing that homeowner Assistance Fund that Brad talked about, you know, that we'll be looking at and developing policies for as well. Upcoming. And there's a couple of more out there that are still pending, the American Jobs Act and the infrastructure bill and President's budget, that all could potentially have a benefit for Indian housing.



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And once again, if anybody knows, family, friends, that live nationwide, that have been affected, please send them to Florida, because we've got all this money that we, you know, we want to we want to we don't want

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to turn it back in.

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And this also includes, like, a non a non native american that lives in tribally owned housing qualifies for these funds also. That's nice. So and then, you know, please make sure you know, this, this needs assessments going to be done started on, you know, and please, if you get it, you know, make sure that you fill it out and get it turned back in. Because you know, all all these all your responses are, play a big part in what happens here. And update and update your info so you can get make sure you did, you will receive the need is that any is how the war Claudia, do you have anything you'd like to add?

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Thanks, Claudia.

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You're welcome.

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Well, I guess if there's nothing else on housing before we all go, Rob, are you still with us? Here, okay, I didn't know if you maybe provide just a update on some of these other funding sources through the other entities such as NASA. Some of those programs that are available or I see as normal governments and so on here, maybe you guys can see and

maybe know the problems with them services. Yeah, I mean,

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I think a lot of a lot of overlap of what the what Brad's program already covers, I will tell you that the NASS program is kind of a service area based program. So what Brad's what our program can't cover Brad's program probably could so we're always, you know, one of us get an application, if we can't find the other fit within NASA. Maybe we reach out to Brad, and we're saying, hey, Brad, can you help this person out? You know, we're, we're communicating a lot. And along with the, you know, the tribes LEAD program. And we have also that helps with energy assistance. A lot of them are, you know, kind of the same type of guidelines and everything else. So we're the three committed the United Tribes, nafs, and housing are all three working together to make sure our people somebody reaches out that we get them the help that they need.

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I don't, I am still here. If you have any questions specific to that, just let me know. And I'll try my best to answer.

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Thanks, Robbie. And Norma Do you guys contact information if they need to reach out how should members do that?

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We do have an application on the tribes website that also for our emergency assistance, which does have the hours that are available Monday through Wednesday, 830 to 430. And then, and that's that's the phone number, the office phone number 5953260. And then email, which is also on that website. And we do also have a crisis line which is a 24 hour hotline that I don't have the number off the top of my head. Sorry, but we do. We do have one of the That's answered 24 hours. In the case of an emergency, I think email is probably going to be the best way to get ahold of us. So we can email out an application back to the tribal members. And then every application that's turned in, we do review it. And if they fall within the category, that we already have a programs, then we're going to put them in that program. If they don't fit within any of the amateurs, and they are needing assistance that we cannot. Maybe they're not within our jurisdiction that we can't help them we do provide that referral out to Brad's program to see if maybe they can qualify for his program that would maybe free up extra, you know, extra personal money that they would have to be able to pay the bills that we can't

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thanks, Norman, Robbie, for that update.

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Normally, have you had more like Brad said, He's only had one application? Have you had more people reaching out to your program?

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we've we've had a huge increase in services provided. We I'm running data, I'm hoping to have a really good report on on the data in the next month or so we just kind of focused on our audit, which we just completed this week. And so now, I just came back full time. So it's kind of a catch up game right now. But I think we're gonna have some really nice reports on how many COVID related calls we've had over the last year. But I can tell you, our numbers have skyrocketed over the last year.

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You know, how many applications you've had to date? Norma, um,

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Robbie did a report that on the last board meeting?

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Yeah. So last night, I think as far as the COVID related money that we're talking about, you know, anything that has to be tied to COVID. I think, currently, we only had about nine people, you know, reach out in from within the area. for assistance.



I think that's an error. In Shelley's report, though, that was nine emergency assistance in the social services program. I have our applications that came in through the beginning of the COVID pandemic, through current that are say they are probably Family Violence Prevention COVID. And or for B COVID, which is family preservation and child welfare, social services, which they all those all have their separate funding source courses. And those are the data's that we don't have. That is probably in the question that you're asking about that the application that we put out for the social services, which is that separate pot of money, or funding source that has been topic of discussion. And so we that those nine applications are only those that did not fit within another program. I don't know if I made that clear, sorry. Trying to figure out how to say that. So we had a lot of applications come in. But those applications after review, they fall within the program parameters, so they may fall within foster care or failure prevention or for B. And so those they get put into a regular program versus using the social services, cares. Money.

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 - All right. Thank you for that update.
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If it's okay, this is Rebecca. I had I just had one other question for the on the housing stuff. Actually, I have to comment and a question. So the first comment is I definitely agree with him on that. There needs to be options for people that don't meet those low income requirements.

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you know I know they're very low income requirements is basically if you're if you're working anywhere then you don't meet those any single person

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you're writing Rebecca in, I mean any any Household it's gotten to people working on I mean, that pretty much disqualifies him. Yeah.



Yeah, definitely. So then, as far as needs assessments goes, I think that has to be, it needs to be put up there. A second comment related to that is working in the federal government, for a government agency, I know that consultation, tribal consultations do have an impact on that on their policies, so that I feel like every opportunity our Executive Council has, in order to add our Housing Authority Board has to be making these comments to the fed the federal representatives, they this needs to be brought up that we don't want our people living in poverty for forever. If we don't want our people qualifying for these units, we want our people to be able to support themselves and have a livable wage, and still live in our communities. Like that's those comments need to be made on a regular basis, every opportunity you get. That that has, that's just a comment there. But then, my question is, um, so you say we had 46 rental units, the apartments, and all and we're only at 28%, occupancy, those. So that's like 12 units occupied? So the other units are just sitting empty. Are we trying? Like, are we advertising that on the on the website? Hey, we got some units available. You know, what, what are we doing to try to fill those because we can't, we can't demonstrate need, if we have this level of occupancy that we need more housing? Yeah,



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that's rad. Yeah, just real guick. And I think a lot of that low occupancy rate is due to the location of where that apartment complex is at and why cloud there's, there's just nothing there. And, you know, we were hopeful that with the remodel, you know, that would attract some of, you know, new tenants into the complex. But I, I believe, 100%, I think it's just location where that is, is a big part of it. You know, I know, in the past, Brad, you guys were you guys were really, you know, working with the local college there. But what happened with that is, you know, a lot of the units just got tore up there was, you know, a lot of parties and a lot of trash in front yards, and it was just, it was just a, it was kind of a mess. So I think that's why some of those, you know, your occupancy rate had went down a little bit, you know, in years past, but I really believe it's location, but I don't know, that's all I wanted to comment on. You're right, Kim, that and also, I need to add, you know, technically, my law statute, we're not supposed to be housing the non native Americans in our apartment complex. And it's probably been seven, eight years ago that came in and did their audit their head office with you. And that was one thing that we got dinged on is because I had all most of them except for two families that were non native in apartment

complex. So the herd people that was back here doing that audit, they saw what was going on, and they took our fight back with them and went to headquarters with it. And they issued the Housing Authority, a waiver to house non native Americans in our apartment complex and we are the only one in the country that they allowed to do it. And if it wasn't for that, we wouldn't have anybody living living there right now. Except maybe. I think there's two tribal member families living there out of the whatever it is 12 or 15 apartments there bill. Brad what's what's your rate? Oh, sorry Randy. what's what's the raid on you know your your rage on on the the rent for those apartments? I mean, it's fairly Oh, it's afford? Yeah. Are you talking income limit? No, just to rent those out. You know, Joe, you guys. What do you guys charge there's a minimum of \$100 and a maximum and depending on the size of the unit, one bedroom is one and two bedroom are one 203 bedroom 300. That's the maximum. So we do have we do have caps on for reality. Based on based on 50% growth,

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I have a question. Are you allowed a percentage of households that exceed that income limit?

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Your you're allowed 10%.

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But you have to meet the income limits when you move in, and then you can go over, you know, as you gain self sufficiency, correct, right. Yeah. Right.

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Yeah. Once once you're in and you meet those income guidelines, that's it. So you know, those families get a wage increase and go over that threshold. And they're, you know, there's, they still continue to live there.

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And I will tell you guys just from, you know, the consulting standpoint, and, you know, just, you know, doing kind of the grants for the tribe as a whole for many years, and knowing

the overall need, it's both a fortunate situation where our reservation and our, you know, majority of our tribal members are over income, it's great. And one of the things, you know, we plan on doing but this needs assessment is, you know, we may not be able to provide affordable housing under, because affordable housing is a program for low income or very low income individuals. So we might, you know, we, we may never need to build additional affordable housing units, because we still have empty units. But what we can determine from that is either programs that can serve individuals, you know, that are kind of housing related programs, at the same time, but I've seen, you know, just across Indian country, because there are a lot of tribes out there that do not have, you know, the need for actual, physical standing housing, for him because of income restrictions and things like that. But they do have a need for those, you know, over that 80% over that 100% income limits. And what has happened is, you know, oftentimes, the general tried will allocate, you know, funding towards housing as a whole, for more market rate types of units, and then they just give authority to the housing authorities to run those programs. And so those will be things, you know, we kind of assess and look at when we're developing this needs assessment, ask those kinds of questions. And we'll do SWOT analysis, you know, with, you know, not just housing and the housing board, but also the executive committee, and, you know, members living on the reservation, those living off the reservation, and so that all membership has an opportunity to really, you know, give, give their opinion, you know, about what their needs are across the board so that we can make a good assessment, you know, on how to move forward strategically,

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you know, our current program, and even future programming.

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Not that it's a good thing. But even though we do have such a high unit rate, we still get funded for those into units. That's nice. I don't happen every day does. That I got one quick question why we're all here because we can only use technically only how's native Native American facility, you know, we can't advertise a newspaper, we have these units. because technically, you know, we're not supposed to be housing. But they still won't allow us to advertise, like in newspapers, but like, put it on the tribal website. I think that's a good idea. We need to do that. Yeah.

- 53:46 pictures of your remodel,
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 because those are great. pictures are already on the tribal website.
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 people can see more of that.
- 53:59 Yeah, we'll get that out.
- And then also sounds like Native American Family Services is working on a needs assessment, the housings working on a needs assessment, the clinics working on a needs assessment, and the tribe is working on another needs assessment. So let me throw this out there. Is there a way that we could compile all of this together into one needs

assessment so we can try to capture all these, you know, the needs from the members? Or

right, and it depends on timeframe, you know, on each of the entities for housing perspective, we have to have one done for these homeowners homeownership assistance

do we think that it's best to you know, have this separate within each entity? Just

funds, which means it needs to be done sooner, you know, within the next month or two versus later. But there is an opportunity though, where, you know, being able to present those questions within a comprehensive needs assessment I mean, it's always good to get more responses, you know, or, you know, when six months after we've utilized that way, there could be, you know, a new need. And, and those be presented and compiled, you know, at least on the housing side with, you know, a more tribally comprehensive needs assessment.

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I think that naps would also benefit from a collaborative needs assessment, as well. I know that we have to do them individually annually. For our perspective grants and federal guidelines that we take it to account for the Social Services asset.

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Okay, well, I,

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you know, I think what we should do for next step here is maybe just have, you know, a meeting with with each entity, the the, the executive committee in the housing and naps and, and see, you know, what we can kind of create out of this whole thing. I know, the health clinic is pretty much done. Is that correct? The lease just needs a few more items added into that. She's still here.

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I'm sorry. So, for those needs assessments and stuff like that, I I know, we don't have a lot of money, like we're not a rich tribe. But I do think it would help with getting the addresses and emails and all that stuff updated and getting the needs assessments filled out if it were incentivized some way. Yeah.

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Yeah, definitely. And I think that's what we're gonna have to do is come up with some type of incentive for people to fill these surveys out and to capture all their contact information. So Brad and Norma when you guys are capturing those calls, can you guys

grab some of the addresses and provide those over to Corinne Antone so we can get the enrollment files updated as well? Yeah.

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I will talk about that. I just worry that a lot of our the people that were contacting but based on so that kind of Yeah.

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Yeah, Norma, if you could just provide a release for that to each one of those clients in that application, I think that would cover allowing the the address given to the tribe. Okay.

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Yeah, we can, we can definitely address that.

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If you need one, I could probably round one up for you as well. If something.

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We have one already. For tribal enrollment, so we can just add in for see if we can put it. Yep. Cool.

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And yeah, once once it's pandemic, it's lightened or whatever and HUBZone travel restrictions, a lot of tried to fill in travel restrictions. But we do want to have an open house sometime, to showcase the units over there also, but we want to wait till HUD can travel and, and our lending partner with the title fixed and travel. Because they played a big part, and we were going to want them to know. Hey, Brad, just a thought here. What if you try to schedule that, you know, right around powwow weekend for that? Well, I want a lot of members are back. Yes. If, you know, Trevor was throwing that out there as a thought, if your travel restrictions are aren't released, you know, Brian, the great plan for

that. But Mike said, You know, I don't want to plan some big shindig when, you know, the main players like lenders can be here. Yeah, no, I agree. I hear you plan something for that we you know, for, you know, for those that come in, I would like to see him you know, wouldn't have to be a big thing. Just let him come in and look, you know, yeah, just like open house where they can just do walkthroughs and check it out. Yeah.

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Any other questions or comments?

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There is a comment that has been shared via text to me they can't provide doesn't work. They like to challenge every person on the call today to invite three people on the next call. So to help grow the number so we're sending some of the challenge out to every member on call today. If you can invite three people to our next call, that'd be great. And then there's also a comment of can we do these calls either bi weekly or monthly rather than every week?

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Do might be easier for some people as well. So I think with that comment, we can always been at up with the council and see how it goes but not not, not it. Yeah, those

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I mean, I would agree with both of those. And you know, those weekly meetings are, it's quite quite a bit for, you know, people to attend on a regular basis. So that makes sense. We'll address both of those. Absolutely. Are there any questions all presenters or in general? That's one thing, Brandy for being here tonight and helping out here too.

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Sure, no problem.

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We'll be talking a lot here in upcoming weeks.

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Definitely, like, I've already emailed Jeff.

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Thank you. Thank you, too, for helping out with that wide thing.

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Oh, yeah, of course. Of course. You know, I'm always here to help. So are there any questions at all? No. photon net COVID. And please, again, get the information out to attend. We'll get the letters and addresses and email all updated next time.

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Thank you. Thank you.

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Thank you.