Things Accomplished

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BHAG Goals



FTE Officer / PIO

Combining the duties as we speak with HR (Jill) to get more of a hybrid type of an Executive Administrator

And PIO carved out.

Enhance Community Health Representatives Program

MHA Liaison position (Rylee Dahlen) is applicant chosen.

Establish Community Health Aide Programs (Behavioral Health, Oral Health)

Working with Oral Health Coalition and have conversation with (Cheri Kiefer) on options for our tribal areas.

Getting dollars allocated for this upcoming Biennium, identifying who the student base for dental programs.



Increase Housing by 10%

Have had discussion with council representatives from Turtle Mountain in December on getting an apartment complex along highway 5 on east end of reservation.



Increase usage of each Tribe's language in everyday life

(have not completed anything)

Create an on boarding program for newly elected Tribal leaders.

We have some documents to begin this process and continue to compile as much info to make the transition for our tribal leaders as smooth as possible while working with the state departments.

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2025-27 action plan (optional)

Enhance our agency's presence during Native American Heritage Month

We switched to Hall of Honor held on that date.



Increase formal gatherings and sharing of information within state agencies on trainable engagement.

Melinda has been instrumental in getting a lot of gatherings together for tribal engagement with her efforts for Native Developer training, Legislative training etc.



Increase opportunities to engage with each Tribal Nation

We have made our state partners aware of the openings such as EOC center, Wozu, TM Recover Center, Turtle Island Waterpark.



Funds for Native American Hall of Honor

We have looked into a couple of different ways such as potential endowment for funds, potentially our 5 tribal nations have more financial involvement.

Workforce



We have been doing a lot of cultural presentations over the past year with state and private businesses.



Organizational

Melinda has done an excellent job on getting our communications presence going in the right direction for the G2G conference, HOH, 75th anniversary. (with a lot of upcoming ideas)



Success Measures

Multiple types of cyber security training - we are looking into partnering with North Dakota Tribal College System (NDTCS) to get some cyber security literacy training established in our tribal communities.

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Additional Work Committees

- UND / Reparations (monitor progress)
- Solar for all Energy (monitor progress)
- Whitestone Hill Monument Committee assisting in getting the monument completed.
- Flexible Transportation Funding Committee making sure the roads leading to our Tribal communities' needs are being met.
- Agricultural Zoning Task Force Committee dealing with wind and mile radius it affects for livestock and ag business around our communities and how to best prevent it.
- NDDF Committee maintaining and assisting our tribal communities for funding an access to new business and childcare.
- Tribal Health Directors keeping the connection from state healthcare entities and tribal Liaisons.
- Healthcare Information Technology Committee (Just started this committee)
- State Workforce Committee (Not started yet)

Food Sovereignty Initiative

- American Indian College Fund (AICF) Assist in native chef events for Native student's scholarships.
- MHA Green house project toured a vertical farming facility as an option for growing the lettuce
- Turtle Mountain Youth presentations on food preservation / maximizing food usage.
- NDTCS Assisting them in upcoming food sustainability efforts.
- Bismarck Public Schools do ethnic food demonstration and cooking techniques to our urban native / nonnative students.
- Tribal Health Directors getting discussion started on food issues / training that we can start to correct and start it within our IHS system.

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