

TRIBAL PROGRAM NEWS

THE HOUSING IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

by Tammy Wagner, Program Secretary

You must fill out a new housing application every year in order to be eligible for service. The deadline for the year 2001 Housing Improvement Program applications is Dec. 1, 2000.

Raising Money for the Elders Emergency Repair Fund

Hooray, Hooray, Hooray! We have completed our first community service board at JC Market in Toledo and received the first check. It's so exciting to receive this donation. We will continue to have a card on the board as long as the store has this program. So don't forget to put an extra stamp on your saver shield card and get a community service stamp and put it on the board.

The pie sale was a great success! My mom and I spent more than two days

baking 33 pies. Don Bellinger made 21 pumpkin pies and JoAnn Miller contributed 12 apple and apple/berry pies. An enormous thanks to all of you. We raised \$353 from all the pies. From all the reports I have received, everyone really enjoyed their pies and is looking forward to our next pie sale. We could have sold 50 more pies if we'd had them.

I'm working on a couple of other projects for the near future to continue raising money for the Elders Emergency Repair fund. I am happy to say it has been put to good use. We have used it already for an elder who needed his home painted and for another elder who needed some minor repairs to a septic system. That's what makes it all worthwhile.

Applications for 2000

We will process applications for the year 2000 from now through February. We hope to have them completed and a list ready by the end of March. If you turned in your application for FY 2000, please remember to turn in a copy of your final check stub for 1999 that shows your year-to-date income. This will help immensely while processing the applications.

Please do not wait until the last minute to apply for Housing Improvement Program or NAHASDA services. Home Improvement Program and Indian Health Services water and septic applications are available at all area offices or by contacting Tammy Wagner at 1-800-922-1399, ext. 322, or

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file cabinets, citation file cabinets, chairs, phone, and office monitor.

I designed all the forms, such as MSR report forms, incident forms, evidence register, etc. The incident, continuation page, MSR form are all formatted into the computer for quick use, but we also can use an IBM Selectric typewriter if we have computer problems. I'll also maintain a cross-index file in case of equipment or power failure.

Patrol Unit

I modified the tribal design and had a company create the lettering and design. The unit is gray and the markings are red and blue with a drum design and a replica of the shoulder patch on the front doors to make it attractive and unique.

The interior is completely equipped with a Motorola radio and CB radio, with a complete array of police emergency equipment in the trunk. The shotgun is mounted over the front seat in front of the security screen. We also have a new MPH radar for traffic enforcement.

Our new 700 Remington .308-caliber rifle with a bull barrel, synthetic stock and a 3x9 variable Leupold scope is available for any snipe situations. Our ITT night vision

binoculars also are ready for use on surveillance or snipe incidents.

Community Policing/ Public Relations

My commercial art training of long ago turned out to be helpful, as it has throughout my career, for a recently completed project. I designed and provided all the artwork for a kids "Safety Coloring Book." The book has 37 pages of artwork depicting home safety, bike safety, and camping safety, and also discusses the dangers of drug use.

In addition to the coloring book, we have been distributing other items that are designed to send anti-drug messages and advertise the name of the new tribal police department in the community. These items include:

- Junior police badge stickers
- Pencils and pens
- Refrigerator magnets
- Candy suckers
- Vehicle garbage bags
- 12-inch rulers

I also have published a series of crime prevention ads in the Newport News-Times and the Lincoln City News Guard. This helps provide crime prevention information to tribal members

who don't live on the reservation as well as the general county population.

Nearly Operational

Currently, we are waiting to hear from the LinCom Board of Directors on if we'll be able to contract dispatch services from the local central dispatch. Once this agreement is signed and in place, patrol will be possible.

At the same time, the Siletz community is awaiting the dispatch agreement. Then it will sign an intergovernmental agreement to provide police services for Siletz. We are prepared to hire two patrol officers through the Federal COPS program. If we hire uncertified officers, we will send them for training in Monmouth at DPSST.

Our goal is to provide patrol (police services) 365 days a year and be available for emergency calls. The paid force also will be augmented by a reserve force once the reserves have received 320 hours and demonstrated additional skills to safely deal with people on complaints.

Serve the Community

A number of rather exciting and interesting police programs are on

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