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## Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Social Security Disability Insurance Benefit Advocate Request for Proposal

The Request for Proposals (RFP) is being conducted by the Social Service Department for the purpose of obtaining a contractor who has five plus years' experience in SSI/SSD advocacy/ benefit determination and the qualifications to advocate for Tribal members who are seeking assistance in the application process. Qualified applicants shall possess the ability to:

- Provide general information to Tribal members and make referrals regarding SSI/SSD and veteran's benefits;
- Screen Tribal members who claim their disability does to allow them to work:
- Refer members to appropriate physical and/or mental health evaluations:
- Determine the severity of the physical/mental health condition from reports received. Make recommendations and assist Tribal members develop an action plan;
- Assist Tribal members in applying for SSI/SSD and or veteran's benefits;
- Assist Tribal members with completing paperwork to file for appeals for denial of SSI/SSD or veteran's benefits;
- Refer Tribal members to Tribal member benefits to apply for Tribal SSI/SSD program;
- Serve as a resource to employees when working with clients that may benefit from SSI/SSD or veteran services.

Preference will be given to members of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde and or Indian-owned business registered with the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde TERO office.

Successful candidates must provide the following insurance:

Commercial General Liability Insurance limits not less than:

- \$500,000 General Aggregate Limit:
- \$500,000 Personal Injury;
- \$500,000 Each Occurrence Limit.

Please submit your proposal to Tammy Garrison by 5 p.m. Friday, April 21, 2017.

Tammy Garrison, Social Service Department 9615 Grand Ronde Road Grand Ronde, OR 97347 Tammy.garrison@grandronde.org 503-879-2077

## **Board seeking younger veterans**

The Tribal Veterans Special Event Board is recruiting younger veterans – Iraqi and Afghanistan veterans – to join.

"Our committee is getting older," said Veterans SEB Chairman Steve Bobb Sr., who is a Vietnam War-era Marine Corps veteran.

Members of the Special Event Board attend events as flag carriers and represent the Tribe and their branch of service.

Veterans interested in volunteering should contact Tribal Council Chief of Staff Stacia Martin at 503-879-2304 or stacia.martin@grandronde.org. ■



Are you frustrated with your diabetes control?

Do you have questions about diabetes?

Do you need help managing your diabetes?

If so...

Call the Medical Clinic today at 503-879-2002

To schedule an individual diabetes education appointment



