

TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION FOR THE FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION GRANT FOR  
FY2026

IN THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE CHOCTAW NATION

RONALD PERRY INTRODUCED THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL BILL

A COUNCIL BILL

TO APPROVE application to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for the Family Violence Prevention Grant for FY2026.

WHEREAS, Article IX, Section 4 of the Constitution of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma (the "Nation") provides that the Tribal Council (the "Council") shall enact legislation, rules, and regulations not inconsistent with the Constitution for the general good of the Choctaw Nation and for the administration and regulation of the affairs of the Choctaw Nation;

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Family Violence Prevention Grant is to assist Tribes in efforts to increase public awareness about, and primary and secondary prevention of, family violence, domestic violence, and dating violence, and to provide immediate shelter and supportive services for victims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence, and their dependents;

WHEREAS, funds from this grant will help provide domestic violence services, outreach, awareness, and prevention to the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma;

WHEREAS, if awarded, the Nation will continue to provide a Family Violence Prevention Program for the Nation's Tribal Members, as well as non-Tribal Members residing in the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma Service Area;

WHEREAS, the Family Violence Prevention Program assisted over 700 victims of family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence with shelter and supportive services including housing assistance and therapeutic interventions for children and adults this past year;

WHEREAS, due to the rapid growth of the Choctaw Nation, the continued operation of the Family Violence Prevention Program is needed to aid women, men, and children whom are victims of family violence, domestic violence and dating violence; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council finds it is in the best interest of the Nation to approve application to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for the Family Violence Prevention Grant for FY2026.

THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED by the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma that this Bill be cited as approval for application to the United States Department of Health and Human Services for the Family Violence Prevention Grant for FY2026.


CERTIFICATION

*I, the undersigned, as speaker of the Tribal Council of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that the Tribal Council is composed of twelve (12) seats. Eight (8) members must be present to constitute a quorum. I further certify that twelve (12) members answered roll call and that a quorum was present at the Regular Session of the Tribal Council at Tuskahoma, Oklahoma on January 11, 2025. I further certify that the foregoing Council Bill CB- 22 -25 was adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of twelve (12) members, zero (0) negative votes, and zero (0) abstaining.*

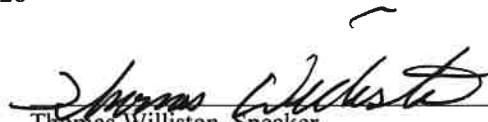
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Ronald Perry, Secretary  
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council



Thomas Williston, Speaker  
Choctaw Nation Tribal Council



Gary Batten, Chief  
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

Date 1-15-25

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**Purpose/Need of Council Bill:** To approve the application for the Family Violence Prevention Grant FY26. The funds from the U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services (HHS) will provide for the continued operation of the Family Violence Prevention Program for Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma families. Last year the Family Violence Prevention Program helped over 700 victims with immediate shelter and supportive services which include but are not limited to: accessing safe shelter, safety planning, advocacy (including legal and medical), crisis intervention services, family supportive services including in-home educational services, counseling and therapeutic services for adults and children, referrals and case linkage. Further, the funds from this grant will help provide domestic violence services, outreach, awareness, and prevention to the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma. This Council Bill supports the Nation's strategic goal of Supporting Service Delivery to Improve Quality of Life. This program is supportive to all Tribal Members as well as non-Tribal Members residing in the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma Service Area.

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**Agency:** United States Department of Health and Human Services

**CNO Department:** Children and Family Services Family Violence Prevention Program

**Budget:** TBD

**Match Required:** NA

**Request by/Project Director:** Anna Marcy, Program Director, Family Violence Prevention Program, Teresa Jackson, SEO Tribal Services

**Suggested Legislative Committee Review:** Member Services Committee