



**NAVAJO NATION DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**  
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**DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**  
**INITIAL ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION**  
**FOR NAVAJO NATION FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS**

RFS/HK Review #: HK0261

Date & Time Received: 12/5/22

Date & Time of Response: 12 December, 2022; 1:26 pm

Entity Requesting FRF: Sawmill Chapter

Title of Project: Headstart Building Renovation

Administrative Oversight: Division of Community Development

Amount of Funding Requested: \$500,000

**Eligibility Determination:**

- FRF eligible  
 FRF ineligible  
 Additional information requested

**FRF Eligibility Category:**

- (1) Public Health and Economic Impact  
 (2) Premium Pay  
 (3) Government Services/Lost Revenue  
 (4) Water, Sewer, Broadband Infrastructure

**U.S. Department of Treasury Reporting Expenditure Category:** 2.14. Healthy Childhood Environments: Early Learning

**Returned for the following reasons (Ineligibility Reasons / Paragraphs 5. E. (1) - (10) of FRF Procedures):**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Missing Form  | <input type="checkbox"/> Expenditure Plan incomplete                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Supporting documentation missing  | <input type="checkbox"/> Funds will not be obligated by 12/31/2024       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Project will not be completed by 12/31/2026                                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Incorrect Signatory                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ineligible purpose  | <input type="checkbox"/> Inconsistent with applicable NN or federal laws |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Submitter failed to timely submit CARES reports                                 |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Additional information submitted is insufficient to make a proper determination |  |

Other Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Name of DOJ Reviewer: Adjua Adjei-Danso

Signature of DOJ Reviewer:  \_\_\_\_\_

Disclaimers: This Initial Eligibility Determination is based on the documents provided which we have assumed are true, correct, and complete. Should the Project or Program change in any material way after this initial determination, the requestor must seek the advice of NNDOJ. This initial determination is limited to review of the Project or Program as it relates to whether the Project or Program is a legally allowable use – it does not serve as an opinion as to whether or not the Project or Program should be funded, nor does it serve as an opinion as to whether or not the amount requested is reasonable or accurate.

THE NAVAJO NATION  
FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS **REQUEST FORM & EXPENDITURE PLAN**  
FOR **NON-GOVERNANCE CERTIFIED CHAPTERS**

**Part 1. Identification of parties.**

Non-Governance Certified Chapter requesting FRF: Sawmill Chapter Date prepared: 9/20/2022

Chapter's mailing address: P.O Box 1786 Fort Defiance, AZ 86504 phone/email: 928-729-4433 website (if any): sawmill@navajochapters.org

This Form prepared by: Jammie Billiman phone/email: 928-729-4433  
Community Service Coordinator sawmill@navajochapters.org  
CONTACT PERSON'S name and title CONTACT PERSON'S info

Title and type of Project: Headstart Building Renovation

Chapter President: Woodie Bennett phone & email: 928-729-4433/sawmill@navajochapters.org

Chapter Vice-President: Lewis Shirley phone & email: 928-729-4433/lshirley@navajochapters.org

Chapter Secretary: Shawn Livingston phone & email: 928-729-4433/slivingston@navajochapters.org

Chapter Treasurer: Shawn Livingston phone & email: 928-729-4433/slivingston@navajochapters.org

Chapter Manager or CSC: Jammie Billiman phone & email: 928-729-4432/jbilliman@nnchapters.org

DCD/Chapter ASO: Derek Echohawk, ASC Fort Defiance Agency phone & email: 928-871-7515/ddechohawk@nndcd.org

List types of Subcontractors or Subrecipients that will be paid with FRF (if known): Navajo Contractors/Sub-Contractors  
 document attached

Amount of FRF requested: \$500,000.00 FRF funding period: 11/23 - 12/30/24  
indicate Project starting and ending/deadline date

**Part 2. Expenditure Plan details.**

(a) Describe the Program(s) and/or Project(s) to be funded, including how the funds will be used, for what purposes, the location(s) to be served, and what COVID-related needs will be addressed:

To renovate, equip and furnish the existing sawmill headstart building to meet applicable laws and regulations. The building will be comprised of classroom space; administrative offices; commercial kitchen; HVAC, and upgrade restroom facilities to meet safety and health guidelines. Users of the facility include: children, students, teaching staff, facility managers, parents, administrators.  
 document attached

(b) Explain how the Program or Project will benefit the Navajo Nation, Navajo communities, or the Navajo People:

All the children in the community will benefit from this project. the improvements to the building are needed to meet safety and health standards and to improve the quality of life of the students and community members who use the building. Head start in Sawmill implements the start of a lifelong educational journey for children starting from 3 to 5 years old.  
 document attached

(c) Provide a prospective timeline showing the estimated date of completion of the Project and/or each phase of the Project. Disclose any challenges that may prevent you from incurring costs for all funding by December 31, 2024 and/or fully expending funds and completing the

Program(s) or Project(s) by December 31, 2026:

The Sawmill Chapter will work with Fiscal Recovery office and Headstart Program and Division of Community Development to ensure project is completed by the deadline of December 31, 2026.

document attached

(d) Identify who will be responsible for implementing the Program or Project:

The Sawmill Chapter and Navajo Nation headstart program, and the Division of community development.

document attached

(e) Explain who will be responsible for operations and maintenance costs for the Project once completed, and how such costs will be funded prospectively:

The headstart program will be responsible for the operations of the building.  
The Sawmill Chapter will be responsible for the maintenance of the building.

document attached

(f) State which of the 66 Fiscal Recovery Fund expenditure categories in the attached U.S. Department of the Treasury Appendix 1 listing the proposed Program or Project falls under, and explain the reason why:

2.14 Healthy Childhood Environment: Early Learning

document attached

**Part 3. Additional documents.**

List here all additional supporting documents attached to this FRF Expenditure Plan (or indicate N/A):

Supporting Resolution  
Cost Estimate

Chapter Resolution attached

**Part 4. Affirmation by Funding Recipient.**

Funding Recipient affirms that its receipt of Fiscal Recovery Funds and the implementation of this FRF Expenditure Plan shall be in accordance with Resolution No. CJY-41-21, the ARPA, ARPA Regulations, and with all applicable federal and Navajo Nation laws, regulations, and policies:

Chapter's Preparer: Jammie Bell  
signature of Preparer/CONTACT PERSON

Approved by: [Signature]  
signature of Chapter President (or Vice President)

Approved by: Jammie Bell  
signature of CSC

Approved by: [Signature]  
signature of Chapter ASO

Approved to submit for Review: Lisa Jynn. NNFRFO  
signature of DCD Director

**THE NAVAJO NATION  
PROGRAM BUDGET SUMMARY**

PART I. Business Unit No.: New Program Title: Sawmill Chapter <sup>Headstart</sup> Bldg. Renov. Division/Branch: Community Development  
 Prepared By: Jammie Billiman Phone No.: 928-729-4433 Email Address: sawmill@navajochapters.org

PART II. FUNDING SOURCE(S)	Fiscal Year /Term	Amount	% of Total	PART III. BUDGET SUMMARY	Fund Type Code	(A)	(B)	(C)
						NNC Approved Original Budget	Proposed Budget	Difference or Total
<u>ARPA</u>								
Sawmill Headstart Building Renovation	<u>10/1/22-12/31/22</u>	500,000.00	100%	2001 Personnel Expenses				
				3000 Travel Expenses				
				3500 Meeting Expenses				
				4000 Supplies				
				5000 Lease and Rental				
				5500 Communications and Utilities				
				6000 Repairs and Maintenance				
				6500 Contractual Services	<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>500,000</u>	<u>500,000</u>
				7000 Special Transactions				
				8000 Public Assistance				
				9000 Capital Outlay				
				9500 Matching Funds				
				9500 Indirect Cost				
				<b>TOTAL</b>		\$0.00	<u>500,000</u> 0.00	<u>500,000</u> 0
<b>TOTAL:</b>								
		\$500,000.00	100%	<b>PART IV. POSITIONS AND VEHICLES</b>		(D)	(E)	
				Total # of Positions Budgeted:				
				Total # of Vehicles Budgeted:				

PART V. I HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS BUDGET PACKAGE IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE.

SUBMITTED BY: Sonlatsa Jim-Martin, Department Manager APPROVED BY: Dr. Pearl Yellowman, Division Director  
 Program Manager's Printed Name Division Director / Branch Chief's Printed Name  
Sonlatsa Jim-Martin 10/25/2022 Pearl Yellowman 10-31-22  
 Program Manager's Signature and Date Division Director / Branch Chief's Signature and Date

THE NAVAJO NATION  
PROGRAM PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

PART I. PROGRAM INFORMATION:

Business Unit No.: New

Program Name/Title:

Sawmill Chapter Headstart Bldg.

PART II. PLAN OF OPERATION/RESOLUTION NUMBER/PURPOSE OF PROGRAM:

Renov.

PART III. PROGRAM PERFORMANCE CRITERIA:

1st QTR		2nd QTR		3rd QTR		4th QTR	
Goal	Actual	Goal	Actual	Goal	Actual	Goal	Actual

1. Goal Statement:

Sawmill Headstart Building Renovation

Program Performance Measure/Objective:

to renovated, equip and finish the existing sawmill headstart building

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2. Goal Statement:

Program Performance Measure/Objective:

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3. Goal Statement:

Program Performance Measure/Objective:

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4. Goal Statement:

Program Performance Measure/Objective:

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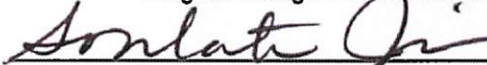
5. Goal Statement:

Program Performance Measure/Objective:

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PART IV. I HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION HAS BEEN THOROUGHLY REVIEWED.

Sonlatsa Jim-Martin, Department Manager  
Program Manager's Printed Name

 10/25/2022  
Program Manager's Signature and Date

Dr. Pearl Yellowman, Division Director  
Division Director/Branch Chief's Printed Name

 10.21.22  
Division Director/Branch Chief's Signature and Date

THE NAVAJO NATION  
 DETAILED BUDGET AND JUSTIFICATION

PART I. PROGRAM INFORMATION:			
Program Name/Title: <u>Sawmill Chapter ARPA <i>Headstart Bldg. Renovation</i></u>		Business Unit No.: <u>New</u>	
PART II. DETAILED BUDGET:			
(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
Object Code (LOD 6)	Object Code Description and Justification (LOD 7)	Total by DETAILED Object Code (LOD 6)	Total by MAJOR Object Code (LOD 4)
<i>6960</i>	Renovate equip and furnish existing Sawmill Headstart building to meet applicable laws and regulations. Building will be comprised of classroom space; administrative offices, commercial kitchen, HVAC and restroom facilities, playground. Equipment wil include; desk, chairs, commercial kitchen appliances and office furnishings.	500,000	
<i>6500</i>	<i>Contractual Services (LOD 4)</i>		<i>500,000</i>
TOTAL		500,000	<i>500,000</i>

**RESOLUTION OF THE SAWMILL CHAPTER  
NAVAJO NATION**

**SAW-09-19-22-01**

**APPROVING THE REQUEST FOR FUNDING FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE  
PLAN ACT (ARPA) FUNDING FOR ADDITIONAL PROJECTS IN THE AMOUNT OF  
\$3,800,000.00**

**WHEREAS:**

1. The Sawmill Chapter, a recognized certified local government of the Navajo Nation, vested with the power and authority to advocate on behalf of its constituents for the improvement of health, education, safety, and general welfare; and
2. The Navajo Nation Fiscal Recovery Funding Office, Division of Community Development and the Navajo Department of Justice are responsible for reviewing and determining the eligibility for chapter projects for ARPA funding; and
3. The Sawmill Chapter has identified seven additional projects for the American Rescue Plan Act funding in the amount of \$3,800,000.00; and
4. The additional seven projects are as follows:
  - A. Chapter Renovation - \$500,000.00
  - B. Motor Grader - \$300,000.00
  - C. Cistern System - \$500,000.00
  - D. Bathroom Additions - \$500,000.00
  - ✓ E. Head Start Building - \$500,000.00
  - F. Senior Citizen Center - \$500,000.00
  - G. Street Light Project - \$1,000,000.00
5. The Sawmill Chapter requests the Navajo Nation Fiscal Recovery Fund Office, Division of Community Development, and the Navajo Department of Justice to consider the seven additional projects for the Sawmill Community.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

1. The Sawmill Chapter hereby approves and requests funding through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding for additional seven projects in the total amount of \$3,800,000.00
2. The Sawmill Chapter has determined that the seven additional projects are construction ready and meet the requirements pursuant to BFS-31-21.



# Sawmill Chapter

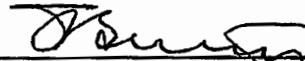
P.O. Box 1786, Ft. Defiance, AZ, 86504  
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## CERTIFICATION

We, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Sawmill Chapter at a duly called meeting in (Navajo Nation), Arizona at which a quorum was present and that same was passed by a vote of 9 in favor, 0 opposed and 1 abstained on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2022.

Motioned by: Larry Foster

Seconded by: Patrick Martinez



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Woodie Bennett, President